

Appendix 2 – Guidance on what must be included in a Pay Policy Statement

A pay policy statement must set out the Authority's policies for the financial year relating to:

- The level and elements of remuneration for each Chief Officer
- Remuneration of Chief Officers on recruitment
- Increases and additions to remuneration for each Chief Officer
- The use of performance related pay for Chief Officers
- The use of bonuses for Chief Officers
- The remuneration of the lowest paid employees
- The relationship between Chief Officer's remuneration and that of other Officers.
- The approach to the payment of Chief Officers on their ceasing to hold office under or to be employed by the Authority, and
- The publication of and access to information relating to remuneration of Chief Officers.

For clarity, the term 'remuneration' includes the following:

- Basic salary or, in the case of Chief Officers engaged by the Authority under a contract for services, payments made by the Authority to the chief officers for those services
- Any bonuses payable by the authority to the Chief Officers
- Any charges, fees or allowances payable by the Authority to the Chief Officers
- Any benefits in kind to which the Chief Officers are entitled as a result of the Chief Officer's office or employment
- Any increase in or enhancement of the Chief Officer's pension entitlement where the increase or enhancement is as a result of a resolution of the Authority, and
- Any amounts payable by the Authority to the Chief Officers on the Chief Officers ceasing to hold office under or be employed by the authority, other than amounts that may be payable by virtue of any enactment.

A pay policy statement must also set the Authority's policies for the financial year relating to the other terms and conditions applying to the Chief Officers.

The policy should explain the severance payment(s) to Chief Officers as part of a decision to terminate a contract for any reason as well as the Council's approach towards the reward of employees previously employed by the authority who, on ceasing to be employed, are in receipt of a severance or redundancy payment from that authority.