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Title	THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 – PAY POLICY	STATEME	ENT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To comply with statutory requirements, the Pay Policy Statement for 2017/18 needs to be formally approved by Council.

2. **INFORMATION**

- 2.1 Since the introduction of the Localism Act in 2011, all councils have had to annually approve and publish a pay policy statement by 31st March each year for the next financial year.
- 2.2 This is essentially a matter of housekeeping the pay policy statement simply reflects existing council policies and processes. Although it is essentially a statement of fact, it does require formal Council approval.

3. PAY POLICY STATEMENT FOR 2017/18

- 3.1 The pay policy statement for 2017/18 is attached at **Appendix A**.
- 3.2 The main changes from the 2016/17 statement are highlighted below:
 - a) The rate of pay for the lowest paid employees at the Council has increased as an outcome of national pay negotiations.
 - b) The ratio of pay between the highest and average earners has been recalculated based on pay in October 2016.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 It is a legal requirement to publish a pay policy statement.

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5. **RECOMMENDATION**

5.1 That the Pay Policy Statement (2017/18) be approved.

Background Papers:

Title Pay Policy Statement 2016/17

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