#### **BOROUGH OF KETTERING**

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Title	THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 – PAY POLICY STATEMENT		

## 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To comply with statutory requirements the Pay Policy Statement for 2018/19 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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 2018/19

- 3.1 The pay policy statement for 2018/19 is attached at **Appendix A**.
- 3.2 The main changes from the 2017/18 statement are highlighted below:-
  - a) The rate of pay for the lowest paid employees at the Council has increased as a result of changes to the national living wage.
  - b) The ratio of pay between the highest and average earners has been recalculated based on pay in October 2017.

#### 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 (2018/19) be approved.

Background Papers:

Title Pay Policy Statement 2017/18

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