

# The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00am, Thursday, 28 April 2016

## Elected Member Remuneration 2016

Item number 8.2

Report number

Executive/routine

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### Executive Summary

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The Scottish Parliament has agreed an increase of 1% in remuneration for councillors in 2016/17. The increase applies from 1 April 2016.

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## Elected Member Remuneration 2016

### 1. Recommendations

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- 1.1 To note the increase in elected member remuneration set out in the appendix to this report.

### 2. Background

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- 2.1 The Regulations set the pay for the Leader of the Council and the Lord Provost. They do not set the specific pay for senior councillors but does set their maximum amount paid to 75% of the pay of the Leader of the Council.

### 3. Main report

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- 3.1 Legislation uplifting councillors' remuneration by 1% for 2016/17 came into effect from 1 April 2016.
- 3.2 The impact on senior councillors is detailed in the appendix.

### 4. Measures of success

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- 4.1 Not applicable.

### 5. Financial impact

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- 5.1 The level of pay award agreed is in line with long-term financial plan assumptions and has been incorporated into the relevant budget.

### 6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

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- 6.1 The Council is required to set remuneration for senior councillors within the limits set by legislation and this proposal is within the prescribed limits for the City of Edinburgh Council.

## 7. Equalities impact

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7.1 Not applicable.

## 8. Sustainability impact

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8.1 Not applicable.

## 9. Consultation and engagement

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9.1 Not applicable.

## 10. Background reading/external references

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10.1 [The Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#)

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## Elected Members Remuneration Grading 2016-17

Post	%	Remuneration 1% pay rise from 01/04/2016
<b>Leader of the Council</b>		£50,682
<b>Lord Provost</b>		£38,011
<b>Senior Councillors</b>		
Depute Leader of the Council	75%	£38,011
Depute Convener	50%	£25,341
Convener - Culture & Sport	65%	£32,943
Convener - Economy	65%	£32,943
Convener - Education, Children & Families	65%	£32,943
Convener - Finance & Resources	65%	£32,943
Convener - Health, Social Care & Housing Committee	65%	£32,943
Convener - Planning Committee	65%	£32,943
Convener - Regulatory Committee	65%	£32,943
Convener - Transport & Environment	65%	£32,943
Convener - Communities & Neighbourhood	45%	£22,807
Convener - Licensing Board	60%	£30,409
Convener - Governance, Risk & Best Value	50%	£25,341
Convener - Police & Fire Scrutiny	40%	£20,273
Convener - Petitions Committee	0%	
Vice Convener - Finance & Resources	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Education, Children & Families	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Health, Social Care & Housing Committee	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Culture & Sport	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Planning Committee	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Regulatory Committee	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Economy	45%	£22,807
Vice Convener - Transport & Environment	45%	£22,807
Opposition Group Leader (Conservative)	50%	£25,341
Opposition Group Leader (Green)	50%	£25,341
Opposition Group Leader (Lib Dem)	0%	
<b>Joint Boards</b>		
Convener of Lothian Valuation Joint Board		£21,118
<b>Councillors</b>		£16,893