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**Report to:** West Yorkshire Combined Authority

**Date:** 9 March 2021

**Subject:** **Independent Remuneration Panel – West Yorkshire Mayor’s Allowance**

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## 1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To consider the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel and a recommendation for remuneration of West Yorkshire Combined Authority’s Mayor.
- 1.2 To determine the remuneration for the West Yorkshire Mayor.

## 2. Information

- 2.1 The West Yorkshire Combined Authority (Election of Mayor and Functions) Order 2021 made on 29 January 2021 provides for the first election of a West Yorkshire Mayor on 6 May 2021, accordingly a remuneration for the Mayor is required to be determined.

### Mayor’s allowance

- 2.2 The 2021 Order specifies that Mayor’s remuneration is subject to the following:

- that the Combined Authority has considered a report by an independent remuneration panel (IRP) which contains recommendations for such an allowance, and
- that the allowance paid by the Combined Authority does not exceed the amount specified in the recommendation made by the independent remuneration panel.

2.3 The Head of Legal and Governance Services has convened an IRP under authority delegated by the Combined Authority on 10 December 2020. The IRP review was undertaken in February headed by Dr Declan Hall and the report of the IRP is attached as **Appendix 1** to this report.

The Chair of the IRP will attend to present the IRP's report and to answer any questions.

### **3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications**

3.1 None.

### **4. Inclusive Growth Implications**

4.1 None.

### **5. Financial Implications**

5.1 Provision has been made in the 2021/22 budget for the costs of a mayor's office and the remuneration will be funded from this.

### **6. Legal Implications**

6.1 The 2021 Order specifies that the Mayor's remuneration is subject to the following:

- that the Combined Authority has considered a report by an independent remuneration panel (IRP) which contains recommendations for such an allowance, and
- that the allowance paid by the Combined Authority does not exceed the amount specified in the recommendation made by the independent remuneration panel.

### **7. Staffing Implications**

7.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

### **8. External Consultees**

8.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

### **9. Recommendations**

9.1 That the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel be noted.

- 9.2 That the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel contained in the Panel's report, attached as Appendix 1, be considered, and remuneration for the West Yorkshire Mayor determined.

**10. Background Documents**

- 10.1 None.

**11. Appendices**

- 11.1 Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel.