

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Report Title: **Independent Representatives Attendance Allowance Schemes 2020/2021**

Decision number: 21/2020

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Executive Summary:

The Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), in exercise of the powers conferred by the Police and Crime Act 2011 pay an Attendance Allowance to Independent Representatives of the Audit Committee, Misconduct Panels and Police Appeals Tribunals.

Independent Representatives and Independent Custody Visitors are also able to claim for travel, subsistence and child care costs incurred whilst on official PCC business.

The Allowance Scheme is reviewed on an annual basis.

Background

Following a review in 2016 it was decided to clarify the amounts paid to the different Independent Representatives appointed by the PCC. Each scheme has been reviewed and updated for 2020/2021 and is set out below, copies are attached to this decision paper as Annexes 1-7:

Independent Custody Visitors (Annex 1)

Audit Committee Members (Annex 2)

Independent Members for Misconduct Panels (Annex 3)

Legally Qualified Chairs for Misconduct Panels (Annex 4)

Police Appeal Tribunal Independent Member (Annex 5)

Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (Non-QC) (Annex 6)

Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (QC) (Annex 7)

In most cases the PCC is bound by the rate set by the Home Office (Independent Members for Misconduct Panels, Legally Qualified Chairs for Misconduct Panels, Police Appeal Tribunal Independent Member, Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (Non QC) and Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (QC). The Chair of the Joint Audit Committee receives a fixed annual allowance agreed when appointed, however, the PCC is able to increase the Attendance Allowance for all other Audit Committee Members and

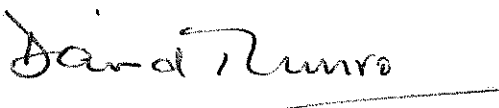
the repayment rate for subsistence or child care expenses for Audit Committee Members and Independent Custody Visitors in line with the CPI inflation rate for September 2020 of 1.7%.

Recommendation:

That the PCC follows the Home Office rate for Independent Members for Misconduct Panels, Legally Qualified Chairs for Misconduct Panels, Police Appeal Tribunal Independent Member, Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (Non-QC) and Police Appeal Tribunal Chair (QC) and increases the Attendance Allowance for Independent Audit Committee Members and the repayment rate for subsistence or child care expenses for Audit Committee Members and Independent Custody Visitors in line with the CPI inflation rate (September 2019) of 1.7%.

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature: 

Date: 6 May 2020

All decisions must be added to the decision register.

Areas of consideration

Consultation

None required

Financial implications

Already incorporated within the budget for 2020/2021

Legal

None required

Risks

None

Equality and diversity

No implications

Risks to human rights

None

