

## **CORE OFFER BUDGET FOR MEMBERS ALLOWANCES**

### **WHY DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WHAT DOES IT NEED TO COVER?**

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003, every Member has to receive an allowance. Remuneration levels are set by an independent panel. Costs include:-

Basic Allowances

Special responsibility allowances

The number of special responsibility allowances is decided by Council. Unless either elements change this is the cost.

### **HOW DOES THE CORE OFFER BUDGET MEET THE COUNCIL'S OBLIGATIONS?**

The core offer enables the Council to maintain its statutory obligations.

### **DOES THIS DIFFER FROM THE CURRENT SERVICE?**

There is no budget in relation to the Mayoral allowance as this is not required by statute or guidance.

### **WHAT IS THE CORE BUDGET MADE UP OF?**

**2019/20 - £760,372 – Allowances paid to Councillors**