

## **Meeting of the Full Council - 14 October 2021**

### **Report of the Employment Committee meeting held on 13 September 2021**

**Chair: County Councillor Phillippa Williamson**

#### **Part I (Open to Press and Public)**

##### **Review of Assistant Coroner Fee Rates**

The committee considered a report presented by Janet Mather, Coroner Services Manager, which set out the proposed increase in fees paid to Assistant Coroners who deal with Jury inquests and complex mental health inquests.

**Resolved:** That

- i) The fee paid to Assistant Coroners who deal with Jury inquests and complex mental health inquests be increased to £472.00 per day and £236.00 per half day; and
- ii) The fee paid to Assistant Coroners for all other inquests remain at £416.00 per day and £208.00 per half day.

##### **Review of Coroner Salaries and Fees 2021/22**

The committee considered a report presented by Janet Mather, Coroner Services Manager, which detailed the proposed pay award of 1.5% across Coroner salaries and the fees paid to Assistant Coroners, in line with guidance received from the Joint Negotiating Committee for Coroners.

**Resolved:** That

- i) The salary for the Senior Coroner and two Area Coroners be increased by 1.5% as set out in the report, with effect from 1 April 2021; and
- ii) The fees paid to Assistant Coroners be increased by 1.5% as set out in the report, with effect from 1 April 2021.

##### **Proposed Re-Engagement Following Retirement Policy Statement for Members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)**

The committee considered a report presented by Deborah Barrow, Head of Service Human Resources, which set out the draft policy statement produced to clarify the county council's position on the re-engagement of former employees after they had accessed their Local Government Pension Scheme benefits.

**Resolved:** That the Re-Engagement Following Retirement Policy Statement for Members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), as set out in the report, be approved.