

**Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting**

Council – 30 October 2019

**Report Title**

Recommendation from Cabinet – Adoption of Policies to support Elected Members

**Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?**

Yes

**Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report**

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**Ward(s) Affected**

Borough-wide

**Summary**

At its meeting on 16 September 2019, the Cabinet considered a report in respect of the adoption of policies to support Elected Members and encourage others to stand for elected office in Rotherham.

The original report providing detail to the proposals is appended in order to provide Members with sufficient knowledge to agree the proposals.

In order to give effect to the recommendations from Cabinet, consideration and approval by Council must be given to the recommendation set out below.

**Recommendations**

1. That the policies to support Elected Members in respect of parental leave, disabilities, arrangements for carers and dignity in dying be approved and be adopted.
2. That the Members' Allowances Scheme (Appendix 8 of the Constitution) be amended in accordance with the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel, with authority delegated to the Monitoring Officer to confirm the wording of the revisions to the Scheme.

**List of Appendices Included**

- Appendix A Report to Cabinet – 16 September 2019 – Adoption of Policies to Support Elected Members
- Appendix 1 Proposed Policies and Policy Statements

**Background Papers**

Minute 198 'Motion – Gender Equality' – Council Meeting – 23 May 2018

**Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel**

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**Council Approval Required**

Yes

**Exempt from the Press and Public**

No