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Cllr Adam Tinsley Elected Member

Via email: adam.tinsley@rotherham.gov.uk

Dear Councillor Tinsley

Question submitted to Council – 20th July 2022

Thank you for the question you submitted to Council on 20th July as follows:

With the review of the Living wage foundation hourly rate being undertaken in September. How soon will Staff at RMBC be expecting to wait until they receive the increased rate in their paypacket?

I can advise that the Living Wage Foundation's Real Living Wage hourly rate is normally applied following agreement of the national pay award.

The pay award for 2021/22 was agreed in March 2022 and has resulted in likely delays to the implementation of the 2022/23 pay award. Due to those delays, the Council took the decision to apply the current Real Living Wage from 1st April 2022, pending agreement of the national pay award.

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely

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