AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee	Council		
Date of Committee	20 September 2005		
Report Title	Report of the Independent Remuneration		
Summary	panel This report advises the Council of the views of the Independent Remuneration Panel with regard to the Members Scheme of Allowances and pensions.		
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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?	No.		
Background papers	None		
CONSULTATION ALREADY	INDERTAKEN:- Details to be specified		
Other Committees			
Local Member(s)	X N/A		
Other Elected Members			
Cabinet Member			
Chief Executive			
Legal			
Finance			
Other Chief Officers	David Clarke, County Treasurer		
District Councils			
Health Authority			
Police			



Other Bodies/Individuals	
FINAL DECISION YES	
SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:	Details to be specified
Further consideration by this Committee	
To Council	
To Cabinet	
To an O & S Committee	
To an Area Committee	
Further Consultation	



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Recommendation

That the Council approves the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel that 1) travelling and subsistence allowances continue to be paid in line with those for officers and 2) all other allowances should be increased in line with the average percentage increase in the APT & C salaries with effect from the 17 May 2005.

1.0 Introduction

Under current legislation, all local authorities are required to review their scheme of allowances annually. The Independent Remuneration Panel met on the 21 July 2005 to review the County Council's current scheme following the County Council elections earlier in the year.

2.0 Panel's Recommendations

The Panel agreed that, at present, there was no need for any significant changes to be made to the current scheme and that the basic, special responsibility, co-optees and dependent carers allowances need only increase in line with the average percentage increase in the APT & C salary scales. Such increase to take effect from the 17 May 2005. It was also agreed that the travelling and subsistence allowances should continue to be paid in line with those paid to officers.

The Panel were, however, concerned that the allowance for Cabinet portfolio holders appeared to be well below the average for shire counties based on the data available for 2004(-21%). They therefore suggested that the allowances should be reviewed once the data for 2005 became available.

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Shire Hall, Warwick 5 September 2005

