

Safest People, Safest Places

County Durham and Darlington
Fire and Rescue Authority



COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

21 MARCH 2018

LOCALISM ACT – PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2018/19

REPORT OF TREASURER AND CLERK

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval of the pay policy statement for 2018/19.

Background

2. Sections 38 to 43 of the Localism Act 2011 apply to the Fire and Rescue Authority as a relevant Authority. Section 38(1) requires relevant authorities to prepare pay policy statements.
3. Pay policy statements must be prepared for each financial year, be approved by a meeting of members and must also be published.

Guidance

4. The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has issued guidance on the content of pay policy statements.
5. The guidance “Openness and accountability in local pay” sets out the key areas that need to be included in a pay policy statement. Further supplementary guidance was set out in a letter from the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government dated 20th February 2013.
6. The guidance has been considered in full when preparing the Authority’s pay policy statement for 2018/19.

2018/19 Pay Policy Statement

7. The 2018/19 pay policy statement is attached at Appendix A.

Recommendations

8. Members are requested to:
 - (a) **approve** the 2018/19 pay policy statement as set out at Appendix A.
 - (b) **note** that the statement will be published on the Authority’s website.