

**EQUALITY ANALYSIS – PAY POLICY STATEMENT**

**Overview**

1. The Localism Act 2011 requires Authorities to develop and publish a pay policy statement. This would include the remuneration arrangements for its most senior staff and approaches on remuneration to its lowest paid employees.

**Impact**

2. The development and publication of the pay statement does not in itself amend policy. Were changes to arise as a consequence, proposals would require scrutiny including the impact upon people of different protected characteristics.
3. The publication of the pay statement does however accord with good practice on managing equal pay; increasing transparency on organisational arrangements. There are no adverse impacts on people of specific protected characteristics arising from this development. Instead it may reasonably be argued that greater openness may reduce the fear of potential discrimination by setting out arrangements which are in force.
- 4.. On a continuing basis the council undertakes monitoring of its workforce to identify and take action to address potential adverse impacts on people of specific protected characteristics. Monitoring data is published on the council's website through the annual workforce report, in accordance with the specific duties of the Equality Act 2010.