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GUILDRY AND MORTIFICATION FUNDS COMMITTEE Thursday, 6 SEPTEMBER, 2018

REVIEW OF ALLOWANCES

The Committee had before it a paper by the Chief Officer - Finance which (a) provided information concerning (1) the amount of allowances paid from the Guildry fund to Burgesses of Guild, widows and widowers of Burgesses and children of Burgesses from 2007 to 2017; and (2) the number of people receiving allowances for the same period; and (b) proposed that the allowances be increased by either 3% or 5% rounded up to the nearest £5, backdated for 2018/19.

Ms Aileen Duncan, Assistant Accountant, advised the Committee that she had been unable to update the increase in the pension rate due to information being outstanding.

The Committee resolved:

(i) to recommend to Council that the following increases (3%) in annual allowances be approved backdated from 1 May 2018:-

Guildry Fund Allowance	Present Allowance	Proposed Allowance
Burgesses	£2,155	£2,180
Widows / Widowers of Burgesses	£2,155	£2,180
Children of Burgesses	£2,000	£2,060

and

(ii) to note that Ms Duncan would update members by email with details on eligibility to claim the pension, the percentage increase and the process involved.