FC83. THE LOCAL GOVERNANCE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2004 (REMUNERATION) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2013

Council considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer (a) outlining the changes to the remuneration levels for members brought about by the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment Regulations 2013, and (b) seeking a decision on those payments where the level lies within the discretion of Council.

The report outlined the Regulations as they apply to Councillors, the Council Leader, the Civic Head and Senior Councillors, noting that there was discretion available on the amounts of remuneration paid to the Civic Head and Senior Councillors.

Decision

Council agreed:-

- (1) to note the terms of the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment Regulations 2013;
- (2) to note the increase in the level of remuneration that will be paid to councillors and to the Council Leader in accordance with the said Regulations;
- (3) that the remuneration paid to the Civic Head will remain at the level set in 2007;
- (4) to apply a 1% increase in the level of remuneration paid to senior councillors for the period to 31 March 2014 and a further 1% from 1 April 2014, consistent with the increase in basic councillor remuneration, and
- (5) to note that the changes in remuneration will come into effect on 18 February 2014 and will be backdated to 1 April 2013.