An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage



LG 07-2022

1 December 2022

Application of pay adjustments due on 2 February and 1 October 2022

Dear Chief Executive.

I am directed by Mr. Peter Burke TD, Minister of State for Local Government and Planning, to notify you with regard to the salary type remuneration of elected members.

The annual amount of remuneration for elected members has been increased as follows with backdated effect to the relevant dates:

- €27,207 per annum with effect from 2 February 2022; and
- €27,593 per annum with effect from 1 October 2022

These are proportionate adjustments, as provided for under the *Local Government* (*Remuneration of Local Authority Members*) *Regulations 2021* (S.I. No. 312 of 2021), following adjustments made to the Grade 4 Asst. Staff Officer pay scale under "Building Momentum - A New Public Service Agreement 2021-2022" as reviewed. The Department would be grateful if the backdated amounts payable could be remitted to elected members at your earliest convenience.

Gratuities

The adjustments made by way of the 2021 Regulations to members' annual remuneration gave effect to a Government decision relating to the implementation of the Moorhead Report. This did not make any adjustment to members' gratuity payments, which continue to be linked to the old Representational Payment. Adjusted rates that apply for calculation of gratuity payments are set out in Appendix 1.

A copy of this circular has been made available on eCirculars and you are asked to please ensure that it is circulated to each elected member of your local authority and relevant employees dealing with payments to members.

Any queries in relation to this circular may be directed to Jeanette Young at <u>jeanette.young@housing.gov.ie</u>, 01 888 2728, or to Gary Mc Guinn <u>gary.mcguinn@housing.gov.ie</u>, 01 888 2800.

Yours sincerely

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Local Government Governance and Elected Members



Appendix I Adjusted rates for the purpose of calculating gratuity payments due to former members, including former members of former local authorities

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Current Local Authorities	Rates with effect from 1 Feb 2022 (€)	Rates with effect from 2 Feb 2022 (€)	Rates with effect from 1 Oct 2022 (€)
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County Councils, City and County Councils and City Councils	18,062	18,604	18,790
Former Local Authorities			
The former Borough Councils, and the Town Councils of Athlone, Bray, Dundalk, Ennis and Tralee	9,031	9,302	9,395
The former Town Councils of Arklow, Athy, Ballina, Ballinasloe, Birr, Buncrana, Bundoran, Carlow, Carrickmacross, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel, Castlebar, Castleblayney, Cavan, Clonakilty, Clones, Cobh, Dungarvan, Enniscorthy, Fermoy, Kells, Killarney, Kilrush, Kinsale, Letterkenny, Listowel, Longford, Macroom, Mallow, Midleton, Monaghan, Naas, Navan, Nenagh, New Ross, Skibbereen, Templemore, Thurles, Tipperary, Trim, Tullamore, Westport, Wicklow, Youghal plus Balbriggan, Droichead Nua, Greystones, Leixlip, Mullingar, Portlaoise and Shannon	4,516	4,651	4,698
The remaining former Town Councils	2,457	2,531	2,556
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