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No to 25% pay rise for councillors

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We the people of Cambridgeshire call on County Councillors of all political parties to support the Liberal Democrat motion to council on 7 December calling for the increases to members' allowances to be rescinded and the previous scheme to be re-implemented in time for the 2012-13 budget, so that the increases do not become effective.

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Background information

Kilian Bourke, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group on the County Council, has submitted the following motion, to be debated and voted on at the 7th December Council meeting;



Motion submitted by Kilian Bourke to full council on 7 December:

This council notes:

The decision made at full council on 18/10/2011 to approve the Independent Remuneration Panel's recommendations regarding councillors' allowances, which included:

- An increase of the Leader's special responsibility allowance from £22,246 to £28,500 (total allowance £38,000);
- An increase of each cabinet member's special responsibility allowance from £11,659 to £14,250 (total allowance £23,750);
- An increase in the councillor's basic allowance from £7,610 to £9,500;

Considers that, in the current context of pay freezes, redundancies and cuts to frontline services including those affecting the least well off and most vulnerable, this is not appropriate;

Resolves to rescind the previous decision to implement the new scheme and re-implement the old scheme with immediate effect.

The Liberal Democrats firmly opposed the rise at the time and are now campaigning to have it revoked.

If you would like to find out how you can help the campaign to stop the 25% pay rise for councillors, please get in touch.

You can email us at camlibdems@gmail.com.

Please feel free to photocopy this petition and ask your neighbours and colleagues to fill it in.

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