Rules. The Council's Appointments and Remuneration Panel is responsible for advising on the remuneration applicable to;

- a) the permanent appointment of Chief Officers Executive Directors,
- b) any proposal to offer a permanent appointment with a salary package of £100,000 or more.

The Appointments and Remuneration Panel may also be consulted for its views in connection with the statement of pay policy. The policy in respect of the remuneration of interims and consultants is set out under paragraph 17 below.

5 Grading Structure

The council uses a recognised, analytical job evaluation scheme to ensure that there is an objective process for determining the relative size of jobs and thus allocating jobs to the appropriate grade. This is used for all posts, apart from those of the Chief Executive and Executive Directors and staff employed on Soulbury and Youth Worker conditions of service. Our current pay and grading structure was implemented during 2010 and our new minimum spinal column point was set at the level of the Council's 'Living Wage'.

6 Progression

All posts, apart from that of the Chief Executive and Members of the Executive Leadership Team (but not the Assistant Chief Executive) are employed on grades containing spinal column points. Employees progress through their grade each year, rising by one incremental point, until reaching the maximum point of the grade. Pay awards for NJC and JNC staff are negotiated nationally. Where a member of staff is the subject of formal disciplinary and capability processes, increments may be withheld.

Employees may be accelerated up the pay grade by a maximum of two spinal column points to recognise exceptional performance.

7 Remuneration on Appointment

Staff are usually appointed on the minimum spinal column point of the grade. However, where there are difficulties recruiting to a post or where an individual can demonstrate significant valuable previous experience, appointment may be agreed at a higher spinal column point within the grade.

The Council's Appointments and Remuneration Panel is responsible for advising the Chief Executive on the appropriate starting salary for any new permanent JNC Executive Director appointments.

8 Chief Executive

The Chief Executive's salary is set to ensure that it is competitive when compared to roles of similar size and complexity elsewhere and with regard to the challenges, additional hours and working arrangements required to