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# TALKS STARTED ON YEAR 2 of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAY DEAL

OUR UNION

Local Government Workers received a pay uplift in April 2018 as the local government pay offer was implemented across England, Wales and Northern Ireland. (Full details of the pay uplifts are listed on the right hand side of this newsletter).

The offer was over two years. GMB is now working across the Local Authorities and Local Government Employers to start a discussion on the Year 2 of the pay deal.

As a re-cap part of the two-year local government pay settlement included the introduction of a new pay spine in April 2019.

You need to understand what the new pay spine means to you and GMB reps have started to meet with members to set out the detail. Contact your local GMB rep asking details of the meetings being arranged.

GMB is also organising meetings to discuss how your employer will move you and your colleagues on to the new pay spine. GMB has set up a technical working group to assist regions in this vital piece of work. A Year 2 Pay Spine pack can be requested at publicservices@gmb.org.uk

Do you need a meeting to discuss this? Then please contact your local GMB rep. If you don't have a GMB rep and are interested in the role then email publicservices@gmb.org.uk

### Whathappens in April 2019 & what is the new pay spine?

The NJC pay agreement for 2018-20 includes the introduction of a new pay spine on 1 April 2019 that is based on the following:

A bottom rate of £9.00 per hour (£17,364) from 1st April 2019 (on new Spinal Column Point - SCP1 equivalent to old SCPs 6 & 7)

- 'Pairing off' old SCPs 6-17 incl. to create new SCPs 1-6 incl.
- Equal steps of 2.0% between each new SCPs 1 to 22 incl (equivalent to old SCPs 6-28 incl.)
- By creating equal steps between these pay points, new SCPs 10, 13, 16, 18 and 21 are generated to which no old SCPs will assimilate. This means that in some organisations the current number of pay points in a grade might change.
- On new SCPs 23 and above (equivalent to old SCPs 29 and above), 2.0% increase on 2018 rate.

If you took part in the GMB pay ballot the above pay rates should apply. If you are unsure about whether your employer follows NJC, get in touch with your local GMB office.

Not had a pay uplift and not a member? Well join today and be part of the campaign to restore pay across local government.

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# Join now for protection, support and advice.

Hand this form to your local GMB representative, or post it by simply writing 'FREEPOST GMB' on an envelope. You don't need a stamp or any other address details. Questions? Email us at info@gmb.org.uk or visit our website: www.gmb.org.uk where you can also join instantly.

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