



10 February 2021

Morag Barrow  
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Dear Morag

## **DRAFT ALLOCATION TO MIDLOTHIAN INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD 2021-22**

I am writing in advance of this week's Board meeting to inform you of the draft allocation to the Midlothian IJB for 2021-22. I will in due course confirm this to you once the budget has been finalised and Council have approved the allocation.

The offer of funding amounts to £47.724 million and includes the Council's share of the additional £72.6 million of Scottish Government funding for the uplift in the Living Wage, Carers' Act and uprating of Free Personal Care.

The allocation is made up as follows:-

Base allocation	£44.982 million
Additional SG funding	£1.071 million
Demographic Uplift	£1.040 million
Pay and other inflation	£0.676 million
Other adjustments	(£0.045) million

**Draft Allocation** **£47.724 million**

In respect of Pay inflation the Business Transformation Steering Group recommendation to Council is to align the provisions in the 2021-22 budget with the Scottish Public Sector Pay Policy published on 28 January 2021. Our estimate is that this equates to a 2.3% uplift in the pay bill for the Council's Local Government Workforce.

You will note that an additional £1.040 million continues to be included for demographic pressures and in relation to this I would welcome the opportunity to

discuss how the IJB can work with the Council in improving outcomes within Early Years services.

I hope that you will find that the offer of funding reflects the Council's continued support to both the IJB and integration in general.

I would be grateful if you could advise by return if you foresee any issues with the proposed allocation for 2021-22 before Council reports for the Council meeting on 23 February 2021 are finalised. Otherwise I will set out the formal allocation proposed by Council after the meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

Yours sincerely

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