NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

Northumberland County Council is looking to appoint a member of its Independent Remuneration Panel.

The County Council is required to establish and maintain an Independent Remuneration Panel, the purpose of which is to make recommendations to the Authority about the allowances to be paid to Members. The Panel will make recommendations about the level of basic allowances and to whom they should be paid and on whether dependents' carers' allowance, travel and subsistence allowances and co-optees' allowance should be paid and the levels of these allowances.

Members of the Panel cannot be Members of any Local Authority in respect of which that Panel makes recommendations or a member of a committee or a sub-committee of an authority in respect of which the Panel makes recommendations. This includes Coopted Members. Anyone who would be disqualified from being an elected member of a Local Authority (Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972 and sections 79 and 83 (ii) of the Local Government Act 2000) is also disqualified from being a Member of an Independent Panel.

The responsibilities of the post are likely to require a minimum commitment of one meeting per year. There is an allowance attached to the role, but more importantly you will have the satisfaction of making an important contribution to public service standards in Northumberland.

An extract from Government guidance on the role of Independent Remuneration Panels is attached to provide further information.

Please complete the attached application form and return this to Jackie Roll, Head of Democratic and Electoral Services, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 2EF or email <u>Jackie.Roll@northumberland.gov.uk</u>

Closing date for applications is **30 September 2022**