

**FUNCTIONS – INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANELS**

The 2003 Regulations provide for independent remuneration panels to have the following principal functions:-

- to make recommendations to the Authority as to the amount of basic allowance which should be payable to its elected Members
- to make recommendations to the Authority about the roles and responsibilities for which a special responsible allowance should be payable and as to the amount of each such allowance
- to make recommendations as to whether the Authority's allowances scheme should include an allowance in respect of the expenses of arranging for the care of children and dependants and if it does make such a recommendation, the amount of this allowance and the means by which it is determined
- to make recommendations regarding any other allowances or matters which Independent Remuneration Panels are authorised by Regulations to consider (such as backdating payments and annual adjustments by reference to a specific index)