SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

Subject : Parental Leave Policy Committee : Personnel Committee

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1. Report Summary:

1.1. This report introduces amendments to the Council's existing policy required to comply with statutory legislation - Maternity and Parental leave Regulations 1999, Amended Parental Leave (EU Directive) Regulations 2013.

2. Background:

- 2.1. Following legislation above has resulted in some changes to the parental leave rights namely:
 - 2.1.1. Time limit extended from 13 weeks to 18 weeks unpaid leave
 - 2.1.2. Age of child increased from under 5 to under 18
- 2.2. The changes have been incorporated into the existing SCC policy and the reived policy is shown at Annex A (Doc 69580.
- 2.3. The HR Manager met with Unison and Unite who both confirmed that they are content with the proposed alterations to the policy.

3. Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 3.1. Approve the amended Parental Leave Policy as shown at Annex A (Doc 69580)
- 4. Wards Affected: All
- **5. Background papers:** Draft Parental Leave Policy shown at Annex A (Doc 69580).
- 6. Implications:
 - 6.1. Financial: Potential modest savings to Pension/Payroll and Employers NI
 - 6.2. Legal: As shown in the policy
 - 6.3. Personnel: As shown in the policy
 - 6.4. **Environmental Impact**: Nil in relation to this report
 - 6.5. Equalities Impact Statement: This policy applies to all.