## PROTOCOL FOR ANNUAL LOCAL PAY AND CONDITIONS NEGOTIATIONS 2023/2024

	ACTION	TIMEFRAME	COMMENT
1.	Chief Organisational Culture Officer & Chief Finance Officer updates trade unions on the budget and financial situation.	21/06/2022	Completed
2.	The Chief Organisational Officer on behalf of the CEO – will invite the trade unions to submit their claim on pay and conditions of service effective from the following 1st April. The trade unions will be provided with an analysis of the Council's financial position.	21/06/2022	Completed
3.	The trade unions (Unison and GMB) will submit their joint claim to the Head of HR.	No later than WC 24/10/2022	Received 26/10/2022
4.	The Chief Executive and the Chief Organisational Culture Officer will meet the trade unions to discuss and respond to the claim(s).	14/11/2022	Completed
5.	Further meetings will take place as necessary during November/December, including a Corporate Consultative Committee (CCC), Joint Consultative Committee (JCC) and Employment Matters Committee (EMC).	12/2022	Completed
6.	a) Subject to 7 below, if agreement is reached, approval to recommend the agreement to full Council will be sought from the first EMC before the annual budget setting meeting of full Council.	01/2023	JCC/EMC meeting scheduled for 24/01/2023
	b) If agreement cannot be reached, the matter will be referred to JCC at which officers will outline the negotiations and the trade unions can respond.	01/2023	JCC/EMC meeting scheduled for 24/01/2023
	c) Recommendation(s) from the JCC will be reported to the EMC where a decision will be made for recommendation to full Council.	01/2023	JCC/EMC meeting scheduled for 24/01/2023

7.	Decision made and budget approved by full Council.	02/2023	Full Council meeting on 23/02/2023
8.	Any agreed pay award and/or changes to any terms and conditions implemented	04/2023	