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An increase of 20% in council members is absurd. The cost is prohibitive considering the poor value of service we receive for our current astronomic council tax- which increased by over 6% when we were forced to become Cumberland and Allerdale was 'finished'. Statements such as members have to travel '2 hours' etc show poor understanding of the use of remote access provision& lack of foresight in creating the Cumberland council in the first place. Surely the idea was to reduce costs by eliminating duplication across councils when Cumberland was formed - instead its becoming a distant, money consuming and often ineffective organisation. Councillors awarded themselves a good pay increase shortly after being formed into Cumberland- perhaps they need to earn this first?

Attached Documents:

None attached