Reigate & Banstead Borough Council Gender Pay Gap Report 2021

This report outlines our 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 data, and our plans to address the gap.

What is gender pay and how is it calculated?

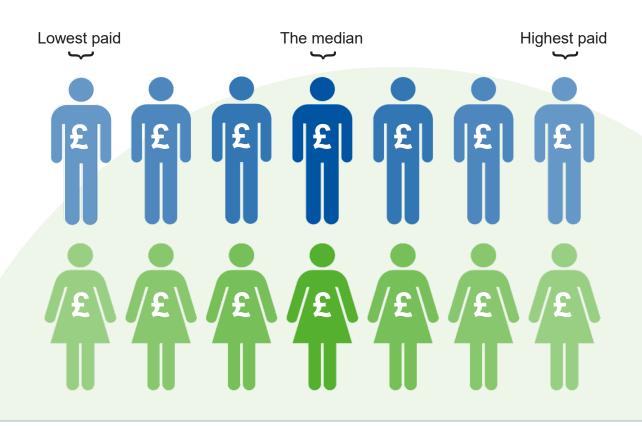
Gender pay is a high level snapshot of pay within an organisation and shows the difference between the average pay of the men and women in a workforce. Each organisation with 250 or more employees is required by law to publish its previous financial year's gender pay gap (GPG) information.

If all employees were lined up in two lines - one male and one female - in order of pay from the lowest to the highest, the **median gender pay gap** compares the pay of the male in the **middle** of their line and the female in the **middle** of their line.

The **mean gender pay gap** shows the difference between the **average** hourly rate of pay for men and that of women in an organisation.

Gender pay, not equal pay

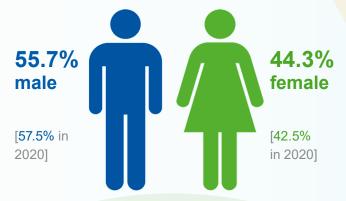
The gender pay gap is a different concept to equal pay. Equal pay is the difference in pay between men and women who carry out the same or similar jobs.



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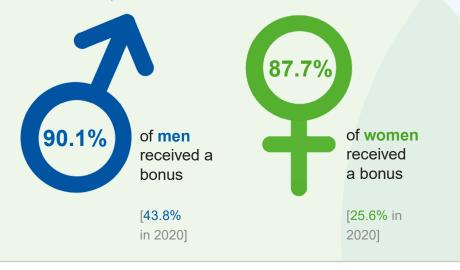
Gender balance

At 31 March 2021 we had a workforce of **533** staff with a gender balance of:



Bonus pay

Between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021:



Pay and bonus comparison

Gender Pay (mean): For every £1 earned by our male employees, female employees earned £1.13

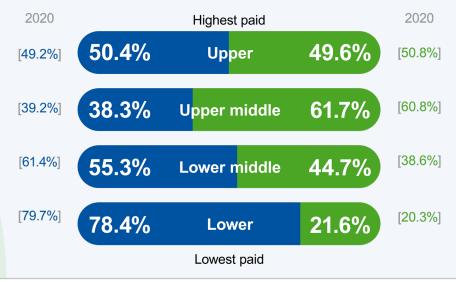
Bonus Pay (mean):

For every **£1** of bonus given to **male employees**, **£1.19** was given to **female employees**

Difference between men and women	MEAN (average)	MEDIAN (middle)
Gender pay gap	-13.2% [-12.8% in 2020]	-24.9% [-28.0% in 2020]
Bonus pay gap	-18.9% [-100.5% in 2020]	26.4% [-123% in 2020]

Pay quartiles

The proportion of **men** and **women** in each pay band is:



Key: • women • men - gap in favour of women + gap in favour of men

Our gender pay gap and what we'll focus on next

We recognise that we consistently have a gender pay gap in favour of women, and we plan to address a number of factors that together will move us closer to where we want to be.

The changes in mean and median female bonuses in the past few years is related to various factors, such as changes in our organisational makeup, partly due to restructures, and in bonus values in the lower and higher pay quartiles. As the GPG data is a snapshot in time, sometimes specific events can have an impact during particular years.

We primarily focussed on pandemic support for communities and businesses during 2020 and 2021, and this support continued into 2022, so have been unable to fully address these factors to date. Our long term goal is to achieve better gender pay parity by 2025 through greater exploration into the potential root causes of our gap and implementation of a number of interventions. These interventions are expected to fall into three themes:

Addressing gender imbalance in key workforce areas

Promoting the attractiveness of our operational roles (more manual and physical roles) to women, by;

- promoting manual and physical roles in a way which emphasises how they can be performed well, irrespective of gender
- · learning from other organisations who are successful in attracting women into these fields
- promoting the parts of our employment package which make working for us attractive, including flexible working patterns, annual leave allowance and pension.



Ensuring our salary and bonus pay ranges are set using a consistent set of criteria

Reviewing our approach to determining pay ranges and bonus schemes for each role, to ensure we are competitive with external market pay levels and there is parity internally, by;

- · considering a revised system for determining pay and bonus levels and frequency of review
- reviewing the processes, controls and criteria for in year pay, grading and bonus requests to ensure they remain robust and consistent.

Supporting development and career progression

Expanding opportunities for the career development and progression of all employees (as part of a coordinated Workforce Planning Process), by;

- reviewing how we provide equal opportunity for internal career progression
- supporting our managers to identify key roles requiring succession planning
- supporting our managers to select and support the development of individuals to fulfil roles identified for succession planning.

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