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UK Cities that are Seeing the Greatest Pay Increases - 2017

As many UK businesses vie to attract the best candidates, offering bumper pay packets is clearly a strategy that is being taken, with new data just released from CV-Library, the UK's leading independent job board, revealing that key locations across the nation saw standout increases in salary offerings to kick off the 2017/18 financial year.

The findings, which compared April 2017 job market trends with April 2016, suggest that employers across the UK are offering higher salaries in a bid to incentivise eager job hunters. In fact, for candidates that are looking to boost their pay, the latest data from CV-Library reveals that the top UK locations for pay rises are:

1. Bristol – **7.6** per cent
2. Wales – **6.1** per cent
3. Guildford – **5.7** per cent (I know it's not a city)
4. Edinburgh – **5.0** per cent
5. Sheffield – **4.2** per cent
6. Birmingham – **3.7** per cent
7. Leeds – **2.3** per cent
8. Scotland – **2.0** per cent
9. Cardiff – **1.4** per cent

10. Manchester – 1.4 per cent

Interestingly, London missed out on the top 10, with the city recording a fairly stagnant 0.1 per cent increase in wages year-on-year.

Lee Biggins, founder and managing director of CV-Library, comments: “It’s very promising to see that some of the UK’s top locations experienced positive pay rises.

Clearly, the competition to secure the best candidates is showing no signs of letting up, with companies looking to bolster their ranks with the top talent. Increasing advertised salaries on job postings is just one of the approaches that companies are taking to attract candidates, which is great news for job hunters out there looking for their next opportunity.”