

## Summary Sheet

### Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Council – 24 January 2018

### Report Title

Recommendation from Cabinet – Review of Council Tax Support Scheme

### Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

Yes

### Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

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### Ward(s) Affected

All

### Summary

At its meeting on 11 December 2017, the Cabinet considered a report in respect of the review of the Council Tax Support Scheme which contained recommendations for the Council to adopt the scheme. Cabinet agreed to make the recommendation to Council.

The original report providing detail to the proposals is appended in order to provide Members with sufficient knowledge to agree the proposals.

In order to give effect to the recommendations from Cabinet, consideration and approval by Council must be given to the recommendation set out below.

### Recommendation

That the following amendments to the current Council Tax Support Scheme to take effect from 1st April 2018, within the revised scheme:

- 100% support for qualifying care leavers
- A standard £10.00 deduction for non-dependants in employment and a standard £5.00 deduction for non-dependants not in employment
- The introduction of a taper rate of 30%
- Discretion is introduced into the Council Tax Support Scheme to limit the number of assessments for claimants in receipt of Universal Credit where there are only small changes to Universal Credit entitlement.

**List of Appendices Included**

Appendix 1 – Review of the Council Tax Support Scheme – Report to Cabinet and Commissioners’ Decision Making Meeting – 11 December 2017

Appendix A – Council Tax Support Consultation Report

Appendix B – Council Tax Support Scheme 2018

**Background Papers**

The Localism Act 2011

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/20/contents/enacted>

Local Government Finance Act 1992

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1992/14/contents>

Local Government Finance Act 2012

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2012/17/contents/enacted>

The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements) (England) Regulations 2012 as amended.

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/2885/contents/made>

Council Tax Support Modelling Report Council tax Support Equality Impact Assessment

**Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel**

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**Council Approval Required**

Yes

**Exempt from the Press and Public**

No