

Cabinet Response to the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Board – Review of Council Tax Premiums for Long Term Empty and Second Homes

Recommendation 1:

That the Council maintains the current determinations for premiums.

Response/Update:

The Council will continue to determine Council Tax premiums in accordance with the agreed policy and discretions.

Recommendation 2:

To request the Director of Finance to undertake a review of the wording of the Discretionary Council Tax Reduction Policy to ensure that it provided appropriate flexibility for officer discretion, considered the associated governance arrangements, and report the outcome of the review to a future meeting of the Board.

Response/Update:

Cabinet have heard the feedback and the Discretionary Council Tax Reduction Policy is currently being reviewed so that discretionary support is included, an update will be shared with Members in due course.