

Agenda Item 10, Review of Council Tax Support Scheme 2025/26

Liberal Democrat & Independent Opposition Partnership Amendment

Council Meeting

5 December 2024

(Amendments shown in bold text)

Proposed Amendment:

1. That the Council be recommended to amend the Council Tax Support Scheme for 2025/26 as follows:
 1. the self-employed minimum income floor calculation for households that are not receiving Universal Credit and have a disability, or caring responsibility is removed and is based on the actual income received;
 2. discounting any compensation payments made by the Post Office in connection with the failings of the Horizon system;
 3. discounting any additional settlement payments resulting from the ongoing Grenfell Tower related civil litigation;
 4. discounting any payments for the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme;
 5. discounting payments for Victims of Terrorist Attacks Abroad; and
 6. the income band with the highest level of discount is increased by the September 2024 Consumer Price Index rate, at 1.7%.
2. **That for future reviews of the Council Tax Support Scheme, the Director of Finance be instructed to incorporate the option for increasing the discount that residents receive on Council Tax and the Cabinet take this into consideration when setting the 2026/27 scheme, including any related impact on future budget proposals.**

Proposer: Councillor Long

Secunder: Councillor Cowell