

Written statement of a budget and policy framework decision

Title	2019/20 Council Tax Reduction Scheme
Decision maker	<p>Cabinet *</p> <p>for recommendation to:</p> <p>Council</p> <p>* Information about cabinet, including the names and contact details of the cabinet members, can be found here:</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251</p>
Date of decision	31 January 2019
Report exemption class	Open
<p>A notice was served in accordance with Part 3, Section 9 (Publicity in connection with key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.</p>	
General exception or special urgency (as defined in the constitution)	No
Purpose	<p>To approve the continuation of the 2018/19 local council tax reduction scheme (CTR) for 2019/20. The current scheme was initially approved by Council on 18 December 2015.</p> <p>It is a legal requirement to annually review the council's council tax reduction scheme and the decision is reserved to full Council. The current scheme has been reviewed and there is no evidence to support a change at this time.</p>
Decision	<p>That:</p> <p>(a) The council tax reduction scheme for 2019/20, attached at appendix 2, be approved.</p>
Reason for the decision	<p>As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50027558</p>
Options considered	<p>The local council tax reduction scheme can be amended however the current scheme is working as intended and there is no evidence of a need to change. Any changes to the current scheme require statutory public consultation to be undertaken ahead of proposing scheme changes.</p>

Declarations of interest (see ▪ below)	
Call-in expiry date	<p>Budget and policy framework item</p> <p>Under part 4, section 3 of the constitution, this decision is not subject to the usual call-in procedure as it is a budget and policy framework item and therefore must be decided at a meeting of the full Council.</p>

Councillor: (Councillor P Rone) Chair of the meeting	Date 31 January 2019
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- a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;

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- in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted by the relevant local authority's head of paid service.