

**REFERENCE TO THE COUNCIL – 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

**FROM THE CABINET – 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

**COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT 2024/25 (CS/2023/19)**

At its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023, the Cabinet considered the above report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Cost of Living and agreed the recommendations contained in the report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the Council agrees the following:-

- i) That the current Council Tax Reduction Scheme, updated with minor wording amendments to reflect legislative changes and prescribed requirements made by central government (as explained in paragraph 2.4 of the report), and as set out in Appendix B of the report, continues from 1 April 2024, and that a review be carried out by summer 2024 in order for a decision in January 2025 to consider options for the Council Tax Reduction scheme for 2025/26; and
- ii) That authority be delegated to the Director of Finance to make changes to the scheme during 2024/25 to reflect any requirements set by Government to either the prescribed regulations for pensioners or the local working age scheme to ensure that the scheme remains legally consistent and up to date as the legislation changes.

Councillor Richard Olszewski  
Cabinet Member for Finance and Cost of Living