

Lewes District Council

Meeting:	Council
Date:	19 February 2024
Subject:	Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2024-25
Report of:	Councillor Christine Robinson on behalf of the Cabinet

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the **Cabinet** meeting held on **7 December 2023** as set out below.

The Council is recommended to:-

(1) Adopt the 2023/24 Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme as the 2024/25 scheme (attached at Appendix 1).

(2) Note that subject to Full Council adoption of the Scheme, Cabinet has granted the Director of Service Delivery delegated authority–

(a) to implement the Scheme, such delegated authority to include any measures necessary for or incidental to its management and administration; and

(b) if necessary, and in accordance with paragraph 2.3, to amend the Scheme in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Assets and Finance

(3) Continue the Exceptional Hardship Scheme in 2024/25 subject to funds being available.

Minute extract Cabinet – 7 December 2023.

The Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Service Delivery, seeking their recommendation to Full Council that the 2023/24 Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme is adopted as the 2024/25 scheme.

Policy and Performance Advisory Committee (PPAC), held on 30 November 2023 considered the report and were supportive of the officer recommendations in full.

Recommended to Full Council (Budget and policy framework):

(1) That the 2023/24 Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme is adopted as the 2024/25 scheme.

(2) Subject to Full Council adoption of the Scheme, Cabinet grants the Director of Service Delivery delegated authority–

(a) to implement the Scheme, such delegated authority to include any measures necessary for or incidental to its management and administration; and

(b) if necessary, and in accordance with paragraph 2.3, to amend the Scheme in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Assets and Finance

(3) That the Exceptional Hardship Scheme continues in 2024/25 subject to funds being available.

Reason for decisions:

The Council must review the scheme each year and adopt a scheme for the coming financial year.

APPENDIX 1 - Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2024/25

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