

Meeting: Full Council

Date: 15 November 2023

Subject: Housing Benefit War Pension and Armed Forces Compensation Policy

Report of: Councillor Robin Maxted on behalf of the Cabinet

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the **Cabinet meeting** held on **1 November 2023** as set out below.

The Council is recommended to:-

Agree the disregarding in full of War Pensions income and the Armed Forces Compensation income above the statutory disregard in the assessment of Housing Benefit.

Minute extract
Cabinet – 1 November 2023.

The Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Service Delivery, seeking their recommendation to Full Council for the disregarding, in the assessment of Housing Benefit, War Pension and Armed Forces Compensation income above the statutory disregard in the assessment of Housing Benefit.

For several years, Eastbourne Borough Council has used its discretion to fully disregard any income that residents receive from War Widow's (Widower's) Pension, War Disablement Pension and the Armed Forces Compensation Schemes if they claim housing benefit. The report recommended that the council continue its support.

Recommended to Full Council (Budget and policy framework):

To recommend to Full Council, the disregarding in full of War Pensions income and the Armed Forces Compensation income above the statutory disregard in the assessment of Housing Benefit.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

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