

## Executive Member for Resources Ref. No: W/RES/007/16-17

Date of Decision: 25 January 2017

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**Record of Decision:** Council Tax Support - Outcome of the public consultation and the 2017-18 Schemes

Decision taken by: WBC Executive Member for Resources

**Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:** I hereby confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interest in this item.

**Decision:** The Executive Member for Resources, in consultation with the Executive Member for Customer Services, has determined that:

- 1. The Council Tax Support scheme for Worthing Borough Council in respect of 2017/18 should be based upon the scheme for 2016/17 with
  - a. The £5.00 weekly restriction retained; and
  - No other changes made beyond necessary technical amendments required to keep the scheme consistent with the national rules in respect of Housing Benefit;
- 2. A further public consultation should be conducted during the summer of 2017 to inform the decision in respect of the scheme to be implemented in respect of 2018/19.

Key Decision: Yes/No

**Reason for Decision:** The Executive Member for Resources has agreed the recommendations contained in the report.

Alternative Options Considered: None

## **Other Matters Considered:**

Legal Advice and Issues	х	Financial Advice and Issues	х
Sustainability Issues	х	Equality Issues	х
Community Safety Issues	х	Human Rights Issues	х
Reputation	х	Risk Assessment	х

Health & Safety Issues	х		
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**Consultation:** This report was circulated to Councillors, and published on the Council's website on 9 December 2016. The following consultation responses were noted by the decision maker: Consulted with the Executive Member for Customer Services.

## **Background Papers:**

Localising Support for Council Tax in England report to the Joint Strategic Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2014

Welfare Reform Act 2012

Local Government Finance Bill 2012

Minutes of the meetings of the Joint Strategic Committee of Adur District and Worthing Borough Councils held on 26 July 2012, 28 November 2012, 3 December 2013, 2 December 2014, 2 February 2016 and 13 September 2016

Minutes of the Full Council meetings held on 23 and 25 February 2016 for Worthing and Adur Councils respectively

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**Call-in:** The call-in deadline for this decision will be 5:00pm on Wednesday 1 February 2017.

Signed:

Date: 25 January 2017

Name: Councillor Mark Nolan, Executive Member for Resources

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