

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Title: Council Tax Support

Start Date:

End Date:

Scrutiny: Adults and Housing Scrutiny Committee

PURPOSE/AIM	RESOURCE
<p>To give Members the opportunity to consider options on how the new local Council Tax Support scheme could be delivered from April 2013 and how a 10 per cent cut in funding can be managed.</p>	<p>Democratic Services Pauline Mitchell – Assistant Director of Adult Social Care and Housing Anthony Sandys – Head of Revenues and Benefits</p>
PROCESS	OUTCOME
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To receive a report on the current Council Tax Benefit scheme and the changes being introduced by the Government from April 2013, in the form of a new Council Tax Support scheme. 2. To be informed of the impacts a 10 per cent cut in funding would have on the Authority and the residents currently receiving help with their Council Tax. 3. To take the opportunity to question officers on the options for delivery of the Council Tax Support scheme. 4. To formulate the views/recommendations of Scrutiny and feed back to officers. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To gain an improved understanding of the proposed changes to the Council Tax Benefit scheme. 2. To understand how a 10 per cent cut in funding will impact on the Authority and the residents currently receiving help with their Council Tax. 3. To have considered which options for delivery of the Council Tax Support scheme can be taken forward to form the basis of a public consultation exercise. 4. To feed back any views/recommendations of Scrutiny to officers on the options for delivery of the Council Tax Support scheme.

COUNCILLOR

(TO BE SIGNED BY MEMBER OR SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REQUESTING TOPIC)

CHAIR

(TO BE SIGNED BY CHAIR OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEE)