

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting .....18th July 2019

1. Title of Item/Report

Update on Welfare Related Issues

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that provided an update on the provision of welfare support and actions being undertaken by the Council to support some of the borough's most vulnerable residents.

The report highlighted the following key areas:-

- Universal Credit Roll-Out Timetable
- Universal Credit "Help to Claim"
- Housing Benefit
- Welfare Support Service
- Case Studies
- Take-up Campaigns
- Welfare Assistance Scheme – Back on Track
- Local Council Tax Support
- Care Leavers
- Moneywise (Tees Credit Union)
- Fuel Poverty
- Water Poverty
- Locality Forums / Infinity Partnership
- Advice and Information Services
- Digital Transformation

3. Reasons for the Decision

To update on Welfare Related Issues.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Steve Nelson declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 5 - Update on Welfare Related Issues as he was a member of the Infinity Partnership and Catalyst.

Councillor Jim Beall declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 5 - Update on Welfare Related Issues as he was a member of the Tees Credit Union.

Councillor Ann McCoy declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 5 - Update on Welfare Related Issues as she was a member of SDAIS.

Councillor Nigel Cooke declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 5 - Update on Welfare Related Issues as he was employed by TEWV NHS Trust.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight, Friday, 26 July 2019.

Proper Officer  
22 July 2019