

Agenda Item

People Select Committee

8 July 2019

Scrutiny Review of the Local Council Tax Support Scheme

Summary

The Committee is requested to receive a background presentation on the review of Local Council Tax Support Scheme, and consider and agree the draft scope for the review.

Detail

1. The Committee's next in-depth review is to consider the Local Council Tax Support Scheme. Members will receive a presentation setting out the background to the review at the meeting, and be requested to agree the scope for the review.
2. Attached at **Appendix 1** is the draft scope and project plan for the Committee's discussion and approval.
3. A summary of the current scheme is attached at **Appendix 2**. The full Scheme can be found at: <https://www.stockton.gov.uk/media/1586012/lctrs-2019.pdf>
4. In addition the following documents are attached:

Appendix 3 - The impacts of localised council tax support schemes: Executive summary – Institute for Fiscal Studies, January 2019 (the full report can be found at: <https://www.ifs.org.uk/publications/13827>)

Appendix 4 - The Government response to an Independent Review of Local Council Tax Support Schemes, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, January 2018

Appendix 5 - Council Tax Reduction Schemes – House of Commons Briefing Paper, June 2017

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