

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 6 August 2020



Item	Topic	Decision
Part 1 – Items considered in public		
8	Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2021-22 Part 1 Subject to call-in: Yes	<p>RESOLVED –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the finding of the review of the current Council Tax Reduction Scheme is noted. 2. That the potential impact of the proposed changes to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme on working age claimants is noted. 3. That the impact of the proposed changes to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme on people with the protected characteristics of disability, sex and age, as set out in Section 7 and Appendix b; and weighs up these impacts against any potential savings in the administration of the scheme that may be made by the Council as well as achieving the objective, to maintain costs of the scheme in line with the current scheme into 2021/22 is noted. 4. That Cabinet delegates authority to the Head of Revenues and Benefits to finalise and commence consultation on the Council Tax Reduction Scheme to be implemented for 2021-22 <p>REASON FOR DECISION: In providing financial support to low income households the Council will support communities enjoy good health and resilience to the challenges they encounter.</p>
9	Property Transaction Report January to June 2020 Subject to call-in: Yes	<p>RESOLVED – That the report be noted.</p> <p>REASON FOR DECISION: To comply with the Constitution.</p>

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Please see below for details of the Council’s call-in procedure.

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Call-in Procedure

Call-in is the procedure whereby a decision of the Cabinet, the Leader or a Portfolio Holder, or a member or officer with delegated executive authority (an executive decision), taken but not implemented, may be examined by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee prior to implementation.

This is a power which should only be used in exceptional circumstances and should not be used in respect of day-to-day operational decisions. The procedure will not apply to decisions to which the Call-in and Urgency Procedure is applied (Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 14) or to recommendations to or decisions of Full Council.

An executive decision can be called in by the date specified below (within five clear working days of the publication of the decision) by the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or at least any three (non-Cabinet) members of the Council in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 12 of the Constitution.

Any request for call-in must be in writing, bearing the signature(s) of the Council member(s) initiating the call-in, or by email which, if from several persons, shall require a separate email from each of them.

A request for call-in must state the reason(s) and must meet at least one of the following grounds:

- (12.6.1) inadequate consultation with stakeholders prior to decision;
- (12.6.2) the absence of adequate evidence on which to base a decision;
- (12.6.3) the decision would require a departure from or a change to the agreed budget and policy framework;
- (12.6.4) the action decided upon would not be proportionate to the desired outcome;
- (12.6.5) the decision would be open to a human rights challenge;
- (12.6.6) insufficient consideration of legal and financial advice; or
- (12.6.7) the decision is not within the Cabinet's powers or terms of reference or within the portfolio of the Leader or Portfolio Holder or member or Officer with delegated executive powers who took it.

Any request in respect of the above decisions must reach the proper officer by: **5pm on Thursday 13 August 2020**

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