13th December 2018

Brighton & Hove City Council

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME

To insert a new recommendation 3 and amend the wording to recommendations 1 and 2 as detailed in the extract from the Policy, Resources & Growth Committee meeting listed in the addendum papers and shown below in **bold italics**;

- 1. That the council approves the making of a revised Council Tax Reduction Scheme incorporating the changes at paragraphs 3.8 to 3.14 of the report, *subject to the changes in new recommendation 3 below.*
- That the Executive Director of Finance & Resources be authorised to amend the council's Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Persons who are not Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 to reflect the changes at 3.8 to 3.14 in the report, and to take all steps necessary and incidental to the introduction of the revised scheme, *subject to the changes in new recommendation 3 below.*
- 3. That the minimum change rule applies only when the reduction in entitlement is less than £2 and not when the increase in entitlement is less than £2, i.e. the revision becomes net positive for claimants.

Proposed by Cllr Sykes

Seconded by Cllr Mac Cafferty

Note: Comment from the Executive Director of Finance & Resources on amendment 3 above regarding the financial implications.

Although not certain the financial impact is deemed manageable and will need to be factored into the 2019/20 budget processes through January and February.

Recommendations if carried to read:

- 1. That the council approves the making of a revised Council Tax Reduction Scheme incorporating the changes at paragraphs 3.8 to 3.14 of the report, subject to the changes in 2.9.
- That the Executive Director of Finance & Resources be authorised to amend the council's Council Tax Reduction Scheme (Persons who are not Pensioners) (Brighton & Hove City Council) 2013 to reflect the changes at 3.8 to 3.14 below, and to take all steps necessary and incidental to the introduction of the revised scheme, subject to the changes in 2.9 (below).
- 3. That the minimum change rule applies only when the reduction in entitlement is less than £2 and not when the increase in entitlement is less than £2, i.e. the

revision becomes net positive for claimants.