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Urgent Item

Recommendations of Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Overview & Scrutiny Committee – 5 September 2019

Council Tax Support Scheme Panel Update

Consideration was given to a report by Councillor Baverstock, Lead Member of the Council Tax Support Review Panel. The Panel reviewed the impact of changes made to the Scheme in 2019/20, including the impact that the introduction of a 10% minimum charge to most working-age households has had. It also discussed further options proposed to the Scheme for 2020/21 and future years.

Members were advised that the recommendations would be presented to Cabinet on 11 September prior to the start of an 8 week consultation period commencing on 18 September 2019. An update report would be presented at the next OSCOM meeting to be held on 13 November.

Members endorsed the Panel's recommendations to Cabinet.

Recommended:

That a consultation be undertaken on the following options:

- **A fixed deduction of £4 per week for non-dependant adults living in the property**
- **Eligibility for CTS is limited to claimants with less than £6,000 in savings**
- **Removal of the Second Adult Rebate from the scheme**
- **Removal of Extended Payments from the scheme**