

Key Decision Details

Decision Name Local Government Finance Act 2012
- Consequential Amendments

Date of Decision 21 March 2013

Decision maker Cabinet

Describe the Decision taken Adopted the Council Tax Discretionary Relief Policy with effect from 1st April 2013, and authorised the Head of Customer Services authorised to determine claims under the Policy; adopted the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Detection of Fraud Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013 to allow for the investigation, prosecution and recovery of alleged Council Tax Support fraud and authorised the Head of Customer Services to investigate fraud and implement these regulations; agreed to amend the Council Tax Local Class C discounts scheme to provide for a renewal application to require at least 6 weeks occupation before new Class C discount can be awarded and agreed that the Council's Scheme of Delegation be varied to reflect the above.

What were the reasons for taking the Decision? To address further updates of legislation relating to the local Council Tax Support scheme and technical reforms to the Council Tax exemption arrangements.

What alternative options were considered and rejected? None

Conflict of interest and dispensation Councillor Chapman

Is the decision a Key Decision? Yes

Was the decision included in the Forward Plan No

Was the decision subject to the urgency proceedings? No

List the background papers to any report

**considered by the
Decision Taker**

**Person Making this
report** Mrs Helen Taylor

**Date upon which the
Decision will come into
force, subject to no
call-in** 29 March 2013

**Accompanying
Documents** Local Government Finance Act 1992
The Social Security Administration
act 1992
HDC Benefits Fraud Prosecution
Policy 2010
Cabinet Reports 13 December 2012
LGFA consequential amendments
S13A report March 2013
LOCAL GOVERNANCE FINANCE
ACT CONSEQUENTIAL
AMENDMENTS