Key Decision Details

Decision Name BUSINESS RATES

DISCRETIONARY RATE

RELIEF POLICY

Date of Decision 11 February 2025

Decision maker Cabinet

Describe the Decision taken The Cabinet has:

- (a) adopted the Business Rates Discretionary Rate Relief Policy as outlined in Appendix A of the submitted report to be effective from 1 April 2025; and
- (b) delegated authority for approval future of changes to the Discretionary Rate Policy, Relief where such changes are the result of Government direction or are minor wording changes, to the Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the **Executive Councillor for** Resident Services and Corporate Performance.

What were the reasons for taking the Decision?

As outlined in the report.

What alternative options were considered and rejected?

As outlined in the report.

Conflict of interest and dispensation

Councillor Sally Howell - by virtue of being in receipt of business rate relief. Vacated the room during discussion on this item.

Is the decision a Key Decision?

Yes

Was the decision Yes included in the Forward Plan

Was the decision No subject to the urgency proceedings?

List the background N/A papers to any report considered by the Decision Taker

Person Making this Katie Kelly, Revenue report Benefits Manager

Decision will be effective the day after call-in expires. Call-in expires on

Accompanying 5. Business Rates - Documents Discretionary Rate Relief

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and

Policy Appendix 1

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Policy Appendix 2

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Policy O&S Comments