

NORTH DEVON COUNCIL

COUNCIL: 17 JANUARY 2024

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE
HELD ON 8 JANUARY 2024**

Minute 76: Council Tax Reduction Scheme

RECOMMENDED that Council adopts and continues with the current Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2024/25 to include the uprating of applicable amounts, premiums and non-dependant deductions.

Minute 77: Council Tax Discounts and Premiums

RECOMMENDED that Council approve implementing the following:

- (a) That Members re-confirm their decision to apply the 100% premium for empty dwellings after a period of one year rather than two years from 1 April 2024.
- (b) That Members re-confirm their decision to introduce a premium of 100% for all dwellings which are unoccupied but substantially furnished (included are second homes) from 1 April 2025.
- (c) That Members approve the policy detailing the Council's approach to the levying of the empty homes premium and second homes premium.
- (d) That all other existing discretionary discounts remain unchanged.