

## Cabinet – Monday, 7 October 2019 Decision List

### Notes:

All decisions in this Decision List which are not identified as RECOMMENDATIONS to Council are capable of being "called-in" under Section 8 of Chapter 4, Part 3 of the Constitution. If not called-in, they will take effect on the expiry of 5 clear working days after the publication of this decision list.

For the avoidance of doubt, the deadline for a call-in request for this decision list will be **15 October 2019**

The officer listed as taking action will generally be the author of the original report unless otherwise notified to the Democratic Services Team.

### ACTION BY

<p><u>3 - Items of Urgent Business</u></p> <p>There was one item of urgent business, the item was also exempt (see agenda items 9 &amp; 10)</p>	
<p><u>6 - Overview &amp; Scrutiny Matters</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to agree</p> <p>To the creation of an executive/scrutiny protocol to support early and regular engagement between the executive and scrutiny</p> <p>Reason for the decision:</p> <p>To support best practice in response to new statutory guidance on overview and scrutiny in local government.</p>	<p>Emma Denny Democratic Services Manager 01263 516010</p>

7 - DETERMINATION OF COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNTS 2020/21

**RESOLVED** to recommend

That Full Council shall resolve that under section 11A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Finance Act 2012 and other enabling powers one of the following applies:

*Recommendation 1*

- (a) The discounts for the year 2020/21 and beyond are set at the levels indicated in the table at paragraph 2.1.
- (b) The premium for long term empty properties (those that have been empty for a consecutive period longer than 24 months) is set at 100% of the Council Tax charge for that dwelling, with the
- (c) The premium for long term empty properties (those that have been empty for a consecutive period longer than 60 months) is set at 200% of the Council Tax charge for that dwelling
- (d) To continue to award a local discount of 100% for eligible cases of care leavers under section 13A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended).
- (e) That an exception to the levy charges may be made by the Section 151 Officer on advice of the Revenues Manager in the circumstances laid out in section 3.6 of this report.

*Recommendation 2*

- (a) those dwellings that are specifically identified under regulation 6 of the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings)(England) Regulations 2003 will retain the 50% discount and;
- (b) those dwellings described or geographically defined at Appendix A which in the reasonable opinion of the Head of Finance and Asset Management are judged not to be structurally capable of occupation all year round and were built before the

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<p>restrictions of seasonal usage were introduced by the Town and Country Planning Act 1947, will be entitled to a 35% discount.</p> <p>In accordance with the relevant legislation these determinations shall be published in at least one newspaper circulating in North Norfolk before the end of the period of 21 days beginning with the date of the determinations.</p> <p>Reason for the decision:</p> <p>To set appropriate council tax discounts which will apply in 2020/21 in accordance with the legal requirements and to raise additional council tax revenue.</p>	
<p><u>8 - North Walsham - High Street Heritage Action Zone Programme</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED that</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Cabinet welcomes and supports the opportunity that this programme provides to regenerate North Walsham town centre and recommend to Full Council that up to £975,000 be allocated from capital receipts to match fund the programme delivery.</li> <li>2) Cabinet resolves to delegate the formulation of the detailed programme to the Head of Economic &amp; Community Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic &amp; Career Development and the Portfolio Holder for Culture &amp; Wellbeing, following a process that includes Historic England and local stakeholders.</li> <li>3) Cabinet resolves to establish a Cabinet Working Party to support the project development and delivery.</li> </ol> <p>Reasons for the decision:</p> <p>To support the Council in its ambitions to make town centres vibrant places to live and do business.</p>	<p>Stuart Quick Economic Growth Manager 01263 516263</p>

<p><u>9 - Exclusion of Press and Public</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to pass the following resolution:</p> <p>“That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 2 &amp; 4 of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act.”</p>	
<p><u>10 - Private Business – Urgent Item</u></p> <p>The Council wishes to resolve the issues around the senior management structure of the organisation identified both in the Capability review and by the LGA. The matter is now more urgent as the Council wishes to complete the development and delivery of the corporate plan and start delivery of its new agenda.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED to</b></p> <p>Note the report</p> <p><b>Reasons for the decision:</b></p> <p>To support the development and delivery of the Corporate Plan and the new administration’s emerging agenda.</p>	