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REPORT, RECOMMENDATIONS & ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DATE
10. PEOPLE SERVICES RESTRUCTURE RESOLVED		
1. To endorse the use of uncommitted fee income and reserves to fund the proposed additional posts within for the revised 'People Services' service grouping and to earmark the uncommitted fee income and the required level of reserves to support the funding of the structure for the next 2 years.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	October 2021
11. USE OF HOUSING RESERVES TO ENHANCE DELIVERY		
RESOLVED		
1. The Committee supports the recommended uses of the £2.516m of housing reserves to fund the continuation of posts and restructure of Peoples Services, continuation of community-led housing activity and an energy officer role (as set out in paragraphs 2.1 – 2.11)	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	October 2021
2. The Committee supports the use of the remaining £890,246 of reserves to accelerate housing delivery (as set out in paragraphs 2.12 – 2.25), including the purchase of two further units of temporary accommodation for homeless households.		
3. The Committee supports the delegated authority given to a Chief Officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing & Benefits, for the purchase of the specific properties within the overall re-allocated budget of £640,000 (with all purchases subject to an independent valuation and survey).		
4. To recommend to Cabinet, that CLT and the Housing Portfolio Holder task officers to investigate what more can be done to work with private landlords to support and retain privately rented accommodation across the District.	CLT & Housing Portfolio Holder	December 2021

12. DETERMINATION OF COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNTS 2022/23

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:

- 1. (a) The discounts for the year 2022/23 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
 - (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) The premium for long term empty properties (those that have been empty for a consecutive period longer than 120 months) is set at 300% of the Council Tax charge for that dwelling
 - (e) To award a Council Tax Hardship Discount of 100% as per the policy attached at Appendix B, under the provisions section 13A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended)
 - (f) 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).
 - (g) That an exception to the levy charges may be made by the Section 151 Officer in conjunction with the Portfolio holder for Finance, on advice of the Revenues Manager in the circumstances laid out in section 3.6 of this report.
- 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 restrictions of seasonal usage were introduced by the Town and Country Planning Act 1947, will be entitled to a 35% discount.

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.

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13. BEACH HUTS AND CHALETS ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT		
RESOLVED		
1. To receive and note update.	Overview & Scrutiny	October 2021
ACTIONS	Committee	
 Estates and Asset Strategy Manager to provide additional information as requested by the Committee on the following matters: Occupancy increases Income divided by Beach Hut or Chalets Comparison of weekly and annual lets Overview of current waiting list Strategy Document to outline direction Income projection beyond 2021 	Estates & Asset Strategy Manager	November 2021
14. NORTH WALSHAM HIGH STREET HERITAGE ACTION ZONE: PROJECT UPDATE OCTOBER 2021		
RESOLVED		
1. To receive and note the report.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	October 2021
15. WASTE CONTRACT UPDATE: OCTOBER 2021		
RESOLVED		
1. To receive and note the update.	Overview & Scrutiny	September 2021
ACTIONS	Committee	
1. DFC to arrange SERCO briefing/attendance at future Committee meeting.	Director for Communities	December 2021