

Equality Impact Assessment.

<b>Title of report/ project</b>	<b>Council Tax Discounts and Premiums</b>
<b>Decision sought</b>	Approval of the new Council Tax Premium regime with effect from 1 April 2025
<b>Director</b>	Tim Willis, Interim Resources Director
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The purpose of your report or policy?</b></li> <li>• <b>What your proposals are and why are they needed?</b></li> <li>• <b>The specific decision you are making / seeking?</b></li> </ul>	
<p>The report identifies decisions required by full Council and makes recommendations to change the Council's approach in respect of certain discretionary areas within Council Tax legislation. The changes require approval by 31 March 2024 but will take effect from 1 April 2025.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Will your proposals or policy have an impact on staff or on members of the public e.g., service users, tenants, residents, people who work here, visitors?</b></li> <li>• <b>Will it significantly affect the way a service or services are organised, planned, or delivered?</b></li> </ul>	
<p>Yes, there will be additional income generated from certain Council Taxpayers who own second homes (from April 2025). The changes are designed to bring more dwellings into use or into use as primary residences. Staff will be required to implement the changes in line with the billing and collection of Council Tax.</p>	