


<p>Council Cover Sheet</p> <p>23 January 2019</p>	 <p>TOWER HAMLETS</p>
<p>Report of: Neville Murton; Acting Corporate Director, Resources</p>	<p>Classification: Unrestricted</p>
<p>Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2019-2020</p>	

Originating Officer(s)	Steve Hill, Head of Benefit Services Lee Fearon, Benefits Policy and Procedures Manager
Wards affected	All wards

Executive Summary

The Mayor in Cabinet considered the attached report on the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2019-20 at Cabinet on 9 January 2019. He agreed the proposed recommendations with one amendment. The amendment was to not accept Recommendation 5 (to agree to use the same child allowances in the local Council Tax Reduction Scheme assessments as those used in Child Tax Credit, Housing Benefit and the Local Council Tax Reduction assessments for pensioners and to apply this in respect of third or successive children born after April 2019).

He therefore agreed that the report be presented to Council for consideration subject to that amendment.

Recommendations:

The Council is therefore recommended to:

1. To consider the feedback from the consultation on the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme.
2. To consider the options to revise the current scheme.
3. To agree Recommendations 1-4 and 6 of the attached Report to Council proposing amendments to the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme.