

### **Appendix E (Part 2)**

Council Tax Support Scheme 2025/26

**Consultation Responses** 

18 October 2024 - 15 December 2024

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's preferred option of updating the current scheme and increasing the minimum contribution required from working age recipients to 35%?

Strongly disagree	49.5% (201 choices)
Strongly agree	21.9% (89 choices)
Disagree	11.6% (47 choices)
Agree	10.8% (44 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	6.2% (25 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's preferred option of introducing two flat rate non-dependant deductions for most households with other adults living in the property, £8 per week for non-dependants who are "out of work" (including full-time students) and £20 per week for non-dependants who are "in work".

Strongly disagree	42.5% (170 choices)
Strongly agree	18% (72 choices)
Disagree	14.5% (58 choices)
Agree	14% (56 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	11% (44 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

# To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's proposal of limiting backdating of claims to one month.

Strongly disagree	34.7% (141 choices)
Strongly agree	19.7% (80 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	16.7% (68 choices)
Disagree	14.5% (59 choices)
Agree	14.3% (58 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's proposal of the introduction of an additional application process for Council Tax Support (Universal Credit applicants only)

Strongly disagree	32.1% (129 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	21.1% (85 choices)
Strongly agree	20.4% (82 choices)
Disagree	13.4% (54 choices)
Agree	12.9% (52 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

# 5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's proposal of linking Income bands charges to CPI (inflation)

Strongly disagree	35.6% (144 choices)
Agree	18.8% (76 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	17.8% (72 choices)
Disagree	16% (65 choices)
Strongly agree	11.9% (48 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

### To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Council's proposal of linking the non-dependant charges to CPI (inflation)

Strongly disagree	32.7% (131 choices)
Neither Agree nor Disagree	23.4% (94 choices)
Agree	16.7% (67 choices)
Disagree	16% (64 choices)
Strongly agree	11.2% (45 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

#### Which best represents you

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Responsible for the Council Tax bill	62.1% (288 choices)
Receiving Council Tax Reduction	27.6% (128 choices)
Other	8.2% (38 choices)
Voluntary organisation / advisory service	2.2% (10 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

### Are you in currently in receipt of Council Tax support?

No	56.2% (226 choices)
Yes	43.8% (176 choices)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

### Your age?

24.9% (100 choices)
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22.6% (91 choices)
14.2% (57 choices)
8% (32 choices)
5.2% (21 choices)
0.2% (1 choice)
0% (0 choices)
0% (0 choices)

#### What is your sex?

Female	50.4% (201 choices)
Male	38.3% (153 choices)
Prefer not to say	11% (44 choices)
Other	0.3% (1 choice)
No answer	0% (0 choices)

#### Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

Yes	88.2% (351 choices)	
Prefer not to say	11.6% (46 choices)	
No	0.3% (1 choice)	
No answer	0% (0 choices)	

#### Your ethnic group?

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White - British (English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish 23.2% (96 choices)

Prefer not to say	20.3% (84 choices)
Asian/ Asian British / Indian	12.3% (51 choices)
White European	9.2% (38 choices)
Black/ Black British/ African	7.7% (32 choices)
Black/ Black British/ Caribbean	7.5% (31 choices)
Other Ethnic Group	3.9% (16 choices)
Any Asian Other	3.4% (14 choices)
White Other	3.4% (14 choices)

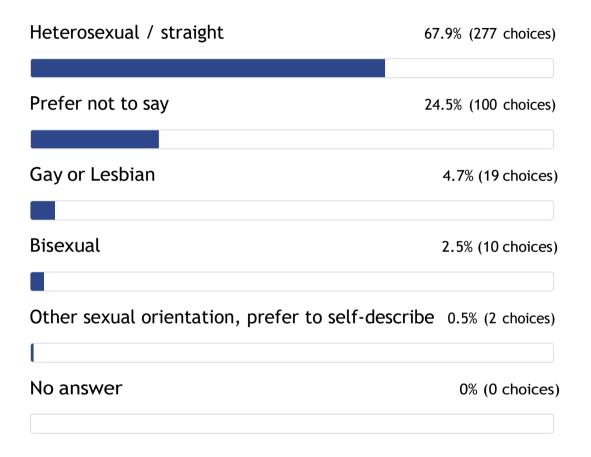
Asian/ Asian British/ Pakistani	3.1% (13 choices)
Arab	2.2% (9 choices)
Any other Mixed or multiple ethnic background	1.2% (5 choices)
White and Black African	0.7% (3 choices)
Any Black Other	0.7% (3 choices)
White and Black Caribbean	0.5% (2 choices)
Asian/ Asian British / Chinese	0.2% (1 choice)
White and Asian	0.2% (1 shoise)
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No answer	0% (0 choices)

### Your religion or belief?

Christian	25.9% (105 choices)
Prefer not to say	25.2% (102 choices)
No religion	23.7% (96 choices)
Muslim	13.1% (53 choices)
Hindu	7.4% (30 choices)
Jewish	3% (12 choices)
Buddhist	0.7% (3 choices)
Any other religion or belief	0.7% (3 choices)
Sikh	0.2% (1 choice)

#### Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

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#### Gender

