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COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT TASK & FINISH WORKING PARTY

17 November 2020 at 6.00 pm

Present: Councillors Northeast (Chairman), Bennett (Substitute for Miss

Seex), Elkins, Tilbrook, Dixon and Gunner

Apologies: Councillor Miss Seex

1. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Cllr Elkins declared a personal interest in Item 5 [Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme2020/21] as a Member of West Sussex County Council.

2. MINUTES

The Minutes from the last meeting of the Working Party held on 16 April 2019, were approved.

3. MEETING START TIMES

The Working Party

RESOLVED

The start times of any future meetings of the Working Party would be 6pm

4. LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME - 2020/21

The Residential Services Manager provided Members with an overview of his report. He outlined that the proposal for 2021/22 was to retain the existing scheme but increase the bandings by CPI, the reason for this was that the bandings had not increased in line with inflation.

During the discussion Members asked for clarity on the numbers of residents that could be affected by this change. It was explained that it was expected that a minimal number of residents would be adversely impacted.

The Working Party agreed to;

RECOMMEND to the Overview Select Committee

that option 2. To retain the current scheme 2021 scheme but allow for an increase in the Income banding be agreed.

(The meeting concluded at 6.16 pm)

