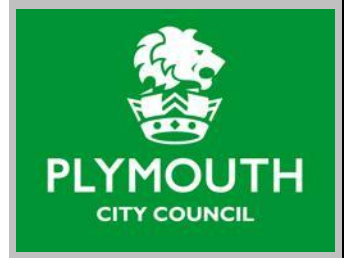


**QUESTION BY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC**

Please return your completed question form to Chief Executive's Business Support, Plymouth City Council, Ballard House, West Hoe Road, Plymouth, PL1 3BJ or email [ChiefExecutiveBusinessSupportUnit@plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:ChiefExecutiveBusinessSupportUnit@plymouth.gov.uk)

Question to be submitted no later than 5 clear working days before the meeting.

**Question submitted by:** Alex Sampson

**To the Cabinet Member or Chair for:** Finance and Economy, Mark Shayer

**To be asked at the next Full Council Meeting:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January

**Question (to be no longer than 50 words):**

In 2015, the Joseph Rowntree Foundation produced a report titled 'Council Tax Best Practice'. Is the Authority aware of this report and will the Council bring its Council Tax Reduction scheme in line with its recommendations?

**Will you be attending the meeting in person to ask your question?**

No.

**Response:** ( for completion by City Council officers and Cabinet Members / Chairs)

Yes Plymouth City Council is aware of this report. There is a statutory requirement to undertake an annual review of our Council tax Support Scheme, which we include as part of our budget setting process. Any amendments would require a consultation period. Please be assured, we do follow national guidance and build a scheme that is both affordable and benchmarked.