

# Cabinet Minute No 92

## Council Tax Base



**15 January 2019**

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Councillor Mark Lowry (Cabinet Member for Finance) introduced a report on the Council Tax Base and minor amendment to the Council Tax Support Scheme. Following a short debate Cabinet agreed to recommend that Council -

1. approves the Council Tax Base for 2019/20 as set out in the report;
2. approves the continuation of the current Council Tax Support Scheme for 2019/20 with a new paragraph added to clarify when the claim can be made as follows:
  - a. *69.2(d) By means of an electronic notification to the Local Authority from the Department of Work and Pensions, generated when a claim to Universal Credit is made.*
3. use the powers described in paragraph 5.6 to apply a full council tax discount, effectively reducing the amount of council tax payable to zero, for Plymouth care leavers until they reach their 25<sup>th</sup> birthday.
4. remove the 50% discount for empty properties as set out in section 6 of the report.
5. Increase the premium for properties which have been empty for more than two years from 50% to 100% as set out in section 7 of the report.