

**TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION**

<b><u>DATE OF DECISION</u></b>	Monday, 24 January 2022	<b><u>DECISION MAKER</u></b>
<b><u>DECISION REFERENCE</u></b>	E/24.01.22/8	<b>Executive</b> (Councillors Participating: A. Western, Freeman, Harding, Hynes, Patel, Ross, Slater, Whitham and Wright)
<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		
<b><u>COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT (CTS) SCHEME FOR 2022/23 AND COUNCIL TAX HARDSHIP FUND</u></b>		
That the Council Tax Support Scheme 2022-23 and Council Tax Hardship Fund proposals detailed in the report be agreed and that the approval and adoption of such be recommended to Council as part of the budget setting process.		
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>		
To provide for recommendations to be made to Council in respect of arrangements for the Council Tax Scheme 2022-23 and Council Tax Hardship Fund.		
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>		
To recommend to change the scheme for 22/23 in particular in light of the financial challenges the Council faces, however, this would potentially mean that residents on benefits and / or a low income would be asked to pay Council Tax for the first time, or more Council Tax than they do now, at a time when residents are facing financial uncertainty.		
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u></b>		
None.		

**Scrutiny Call in Deadline**

**Not applicable.** The purpose of the resolutions is to provide for recommendations to be made to Council, as the substantive decision-maker; so call-in is not appropriate.

**PUBLICATION DATE**

Tuesday, 25 January 2022

**RECORDED BY:**

Corporate Director, Governance & Community Strategy