**Appendix 1**

**Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2022/23 Consultation**

This report was created on Thursday 25 November 2021 at 10:42

The activity ran from 22/09/2021 to 17/11/2021

Responses to this survey: **294**

1: Are you responding on behalf of an organisation?

**Reply for an organisation**

There were 294 responses to this part of the question.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 7 | 2.38% |
| No | 287 | 97.62% |
| Not Answered | 0 | 0.00% |

2: If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, please state which one?

**Comments**

There were 8 responses to this part of the question.

3: Do you agree or disagree with the proposal for uprating the income bands from 2021/2022?

**Uprating income bands**

There were 292 responses to this part of the question.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Agree | 134 | 45.58% |
| Disagree | 94 | 31.97% |
| Do not know | 64 | 21.77% |
| Not Answered | 2 | 0.68% |

4: Please provide any comments you have on the income band scheme, and this proposal.

**Comments**

There were 83 responses to this part of the question.

5: Proposal 2 considers whether or not the Council should freeze the proposed uprating of the Bands for 2022/23 due to affordability.

Do you agree or disagree with the proposal for freezing the income bands at the 2021/22 amounts?

**Freezing income bands**

There were 290 responses to this part of the question.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Agree | 138 | 46.94% |
| Disagree | 78 | 26.53% |
| Do not know | 74 | 25.17% |
| Not Answered | 4 | 1.36% |

6: Please provide any comments you have on the income band scheme and this proposal.

**Comments**

There were 74 responses to this part of the question.

7: Do you think the Council should amend the banding structure to take into account the size of the household?

**Household affects banding structure**

There were 293 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 154 | 52.38% |
| No | 66 | 22.45% |
| Do not know | 73 | 24.83% |
| Not Answered | 1 | 0.34% |

8: Please provide any comments you have on amending the banding structure to take into account the size of the household.

**Comments**

There were 82 responses to this part of the question.

9: In your view, should everyone pay towards their Council Tax charge?

**Minimum charge**

There were 294 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 102 | 34.69% |
| No | 159 | 54.08% |
| Do not know | 33 | 11.22% |
| Not Answered | 0 | 0.00% |

10: Do you think that all claimants should make some contribution towards the Council Tax regardless of their Income?

**All pay regardless of passporting**

There were 294 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 90 | 30.61% |
| No | 177 | 60.20% |
| Do not know | 27 | 9.18% |
| Not Answered | 0 | 0.00% |

11: Please provide any comments you have on reducing the amount of CTR for claimants.

**Comments**

There were 106 responses to this part of the question.

12: Do you think we should restrict the CTR award to 75% where there is at least one non-dependent in the household and neither the claimant or non-dependent is in receipt of a disability benefit?

**Non deps**

There were 290 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 114 | 38.78% |
| No | 99 | 33.67% |
| Do not know | 77 | 26.19% |
| Not Answered | 4 | 1.36% |

13: Please provide any comments you have on reducing the amount of CTR for certain households with a non-dependent?

**Comments**

There were 59 responses to this part of the question.

14: Increase the level of Council Tax

**Increase Ctax**

There were 291 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 42 | 14.29% |
| No | 207 | 70.41% |
| Do not know | 42 | 14.29% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 1.02% |

15: Find savings from cutting other council services

**Cut services**

There were 289 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 124 | 42.18% |
| No | 114 | 38.78% |
| Do not know | 51 | 17.35% |
| Not Answered | 5 | 1.70% |

16: Increase fees and charges

**Increase fees and charges**

There were 286 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 43 | 14.63% |
| No | 184 | 62.59% |
| Do not know | 59 | 20.07% |
| Not Answered | 8 | 2.72% |

17: Any other options?

**Comments**

There were 88 responses to this part of the question.

18: Please use this space to make any other comments on the CTR scheme.

**Comments**

There were 41 responses to this part of the question.

19: Are you, or someone in your household, getting CTR now?

**Getting CTR**

There were 292 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes | 153 | 52.04% |
| No | 98 | 33.33% |
| Prefer not to say | 41 | 13.95% |
| Not Answered | 2 | 0.68% |

20: What is your postcode?

**Postcode**

There were 257 responses to this part of the question.

21: Which of the following best describes how you think of yourself?

**Gender**

There were 289 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Female | 156 | 53.06% |
| Male | 97 | 32.99% |
| In another way | 2 | 0.68% |
| Prefer not to say | 34 | 11.56% |
| Not Answered | 5 | 1.70% |

22: Which age bracket do you fall into?

**Age**

There were 291 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| 16-19 | 0 | 0.00% |
| 20-24 | 3 | 1.02% |
| 25-34 | 49 | 16.67% |
| 35-44 | 76 | 25.85% |
| 45-54 | 48 | 16.33% |
| 55-59 | 30 | 10.20% |
| 60-64 | 27 | 9.18% |
| 65-74 | 23 | 7.82% |
| 75+ | 13 | 4.42% |
| Prefer not to say | 22 | 7.48% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 1.02% |

23: Which of the following best describes your ethnic group?

**Ethnicity**

There were 291 responses to this part of the question.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| White British - English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish | 165 | 56.12% |
| White Irish | 5 | 1.70% |
| White Gypsy or Irish Traveler | 0 | 0.00% |
| Any other white background | 33 | 11.22% |
| Black or Black British - Caribbean | 4 | 1.36% |
| Black or Black British - African | 4 | 1.36% |
| Any other black background | 0 | 0.00% |
| Asian or Asian British - Indian | 3 | 1.02% |
| Asian or Asian British - Pakistani | 7 | 2.38% |
| Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi | 3 | 1.02% |
| Any other Asian background | 10 | 3.40% |
| Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Group - White and Black Caribbean | 3 | 1.02% |
| Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Group - White and Black African | 0 | 0.00% |
| Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Group - White and Asian | 1 | 0.34% |
| Any other Mixed background | 3 | 1.02% |
| Arab | 3 | 1.02% |
| Chinese | 0 | 0.00% |
| Other Ethnic Group | 7 | 2.38% |
| Prefer not to say | 40 | 13.61% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 1.02% |

24: Are your day to day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months?

**Disability**

There were 292 responses to this part of the question.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Option | Total | Percent |
| Yes, limited a lot | 82 | 27.89% |
| Yes, limited a little | 39 | 13.27% |
| No | 137 | 46.60% |
| Prefer not to say | 34 | 11.56% |
| Not Answered | 2 | 0.68% |

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