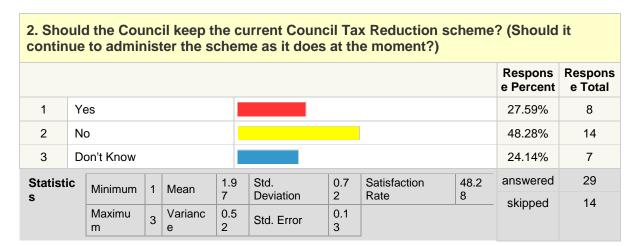
## Redditch Borough Council - Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2021/22 Consultation LIVE

### 1. Background to the Consultation

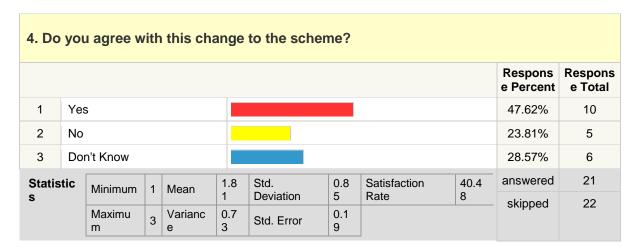
1. I have read the background information about the Council Tax Reduction Scheme: This question must be answered before you can continue.													
									Respons e Percent	Respons e Total			
1	1 Yes								97.67%	42			
2	No								2.33%	1			
Statistic s	Minimum	1	Mean	1.0	Std. Deviation	0.1 5	Satisfaction Rate	2.3	answered	43 0			
	Maximu m	2	Varianc e	0.0	Std. Error	0.0			skipped	U			

### 2. Paying for the Scheme



3. Please use the space below to make any comments you have on protecting the Council Tax Reduction Scheme from these changes.									
			Response Percent	Response Total					
1	0	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	3					
	1 Protect those on low incomes not just pensioners								
	2	Money is as tight as it is now, please don't increase the Council Tax anymore. It's hare not on benefits but are affected by this virus situation. The Government only he benefits. There are people who have to depend on savings.							
	Due to people's hours cut because of covid 19. People only picking up 63% of wages it is impossible to pay for council tax								
			answered	3					
			skipped	40					

## 3. Option 1 – The introduction of an Income Grid scheme to replace the current scheme for all applicants of working age



			Response Percent	Response Total				
1	Op	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	6				
	1	This change will mean that households with higher income will pay more - instead of Working age people should contribute to their council tax. Councils should not expendiouseholds to pay in for low income households!!!!						
	Just bring down the Council Tax people have to pay every year. The amounts keep creeping up. Not everyone can afford to burn money.							
	3	Leave it as it is						
	4	It would help if I could understand the survey. Why is it so complicated? I really war changes for the poorest people in our area.	nted to help n	nake				
	5	Taking Pip and DLA in as income						
	6	What's the evidence for why it needs to change?						
		What o the evidence for why it hecets to change.	answered					
			skipped	37				

6. The current Council Tax support scheme requires all working age claimants to make a contribution to their Council Tax liability. The proposed scheme will mean the claimants on the lowest income do not make payments to their Council Tax. Do you think the scheme should require a minimum contribution from each working age resident?

										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total
1 Yes							47.62%	10			
2 No							42.86%	9			
3	3 Don't Know			Know						9.52%	2
Statistic	Minimu	ım 1 Mean		Mean		Std.	0.6	Satisfaction	30.9	answered	21
S	Maxim			Varianc	0.4	Deviation	5 0.1	Rate	5	skipped	22
	m	u	3	e	3	Std. Error	4				

# 4. Option 2 - To limit the number of dependant children within the calculation for Council Tax Reduction to a maximum of two for all applicants

7. Do	7. Do you agree with this change to the scheme?												
										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total		
1	Yes	3								66.67%	12		
2	No									22.22%	4		
3	Doi	n't Know								11.11%	2		
Statis	stic	Minimum	1	Mean	1.4	Std. Deviation	0.6	Satisfaction Rate	22.2	answered skipped	18 25		
		Maximu m	3	Varianc e	0.4 7	Std. Error	0.1 6			Skipped	25		

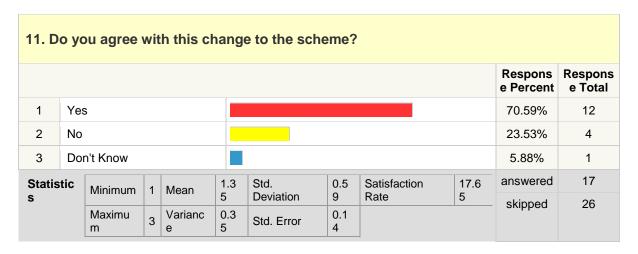
8. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?											
			Response Percent	Response Total							
1	0	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	3							
	Money is as tight as it is now, please don't increase the Council Tax anymore. It's horrible for pecare not on benefits but are affected by this virus situation. The Government only helps those who benefits. There are people who have to depend on savings.										
	2	Parents with more children still have to pay for them: impossible to pay for council to	ax as well								
To have an income grid with an increment for every additional child. People who fall into hardship who lots of children can't get rid of them! And children cost more to look after than people will receive in benefits. Alleviating child poverty is important.											
			answered	3							
			skipped	40							

## 5. Option 3 – To remove Non-Dependant Deductions from the scheme

9. Do	9. Do you agree with this change to the scheme?													
										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total			
1	Yes	3								44.44%	8			
2	No									33.33%	6			
3	Doi	n't Know								22.22%	4			
Statis	stic	Minimum	1	Mean	1.7	Std. Deviation	0.7	Satisfaction Rate	38.8	answered	18 25			
		Maximu m	3	Varianc e	0.6 2	Std. Error	0.1 9			skipped	25			

10. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?										
			Response Percent	Response Total						
1	Op	en-Ended Question	100.00%	3						
1 Please help those who are not on benefits but have to depend on savings										
	2	Keep as is. Adults living in a home should all contribute where possible.								
	3	I think it should remain as is to encourage every adult in the household to work and receiving another benefit to contribute to the household.	if they can't	they will be						
			answered	3						
			skipped	40						

## 6. Option 4 – Disregarding Carers Allowance, the Support Component of the Employment and Support Allowance and the housing element of Universal Credit



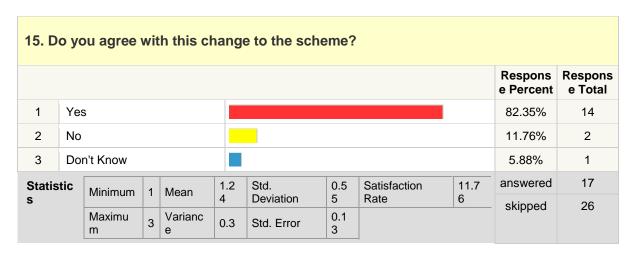
12. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?									
			Response Percent	Response Total					
1	Ор	en-Ended Question	100.00%	3					
	1	I dont see why people on benefits pay less when they get given more money in their people that actually work.	r benefits tha	an some					
	2	Help those who are not on benefit.							
	3	Any income regardless of what it is should be counted and treated like a minimum v	wage earner						
			answered	3					
			skipped	40					

## 7. Option 5 - To reduce the maximum level of Capital from £16,000 to £6,000

13. Do you agree with this change to the scheme?												
									Response Percent	Response Total		
1	Yes								82.35%	14		
2	No								17.65%	3		
Stat	istics	Minimum	1	Mean	1.18	Std. Deviation	0.38		answered	17		
		Maximum	2	Variance	0.15	Std. Error	0.09		skipped	26		

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	0	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	3
	2	Just help the people who depend on their limited savings.  The Council Tax is far too high :-( still have dependant children to provide for		
	if in savings. ents etc. Peop People will los	ple's .		
			answered	3
			skipped	40

# 8. Option 6 – Removing the current earnings disregards and replacing them with a standard £25 disregard for all working applicants



16. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?							
		Response Percent	Response Total				
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	2				

	Response	Response
	Percent	Total
1	Keep as is , otherwise may prevent or discourage people from working additional hours or work means they need to pay for childcare.	ing if that

9. Option 7 - To allow further income disregards where an applicant, their partner or any dependant is in receipt of a disability benefit

17.	Do yo	u agree v	vit	h this ch	ange	to the schen	ne?		
								Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes							82.35%	14
2	No							11.76%	2
3	Don't	Know						5.88%	1
Sta	tistics	Minimum	1	Mean	1.24	Std. Deviation	0.55	answered	17
		Maximum	3	Variance	0.3	Std. Error	0.13	skipped	26

18	. If	you disagree what alternative would you propose?		
			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Op	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	1
	1	As a disabled person myself, unless the disabled person is completely incapable of of life then all income and outgoings should be assessed.	doing anythi	ing or end
			answered	1
			skipped	42

## 10. Option 8 – Removing the Extended Payment provision

19. D	19. Do you agree with this change to the scheme?					
		Respons e Percent	Respons e Total			
1	Yes	58.82%	10			
2	No	29.41%	5			
3	Don't Know	11.76%	2			
		answered	17			

#### 19. Do you agree with this change to the scheme? Respons Respons e Percent e Total skipped 26 Statistic 1.5 Std. Satisfaction 26.4 Minimum 0.7 Mean Deviation 3 Rate Maximu Varianc 0.4 0.1 Std. Error 8

20	20. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?						
			Response Percent	Response Total			
1	Оре	en-Ended Question	100.00%	3			
	1	Continue to provide 4 weeks if necessary on discretionary basis					
	2	Need that support for payments					
	3	keep the extended 4 weeks of council tax payments					
			answered	3			
			skipped	40			

## 11. Option 9 - Removal of Second Adult Reduction from the scheme

21.	Do yo	u agree v	vitl	h this ch	ange	to the scher	ne?			
									Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes								76.47%	13
2	No								5.88%	1
3	Don't	Know							17.65%	3
Stat	tistics	Minimum	1	Mean	1.41	Std. Deviation	0.77		answered	17
		Maximum	3	Variance	0.6	Std. Error	0.19		skipped	26

22	2. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?		
		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	0.00%	0
	No answers found.		
		answered	0
		skipped	43

12. Option 10 – Any new claim or change in circumstances which changes Council Tax Reduction entitlement will be made from the date on which the change occurs, (rather than on a weekly basis as at present)

23.	Do yo	u agree v	vit	h this ch	an	ge to the sch	en	ne?		
									Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes								100.00%	17
2	No								0.00%	0
3	Don't	Know							0.00%	0
Sta	tistics	Minimum	1	Mean	1	Std. Deviation	0	Satisfaction Rate 0	answered	17
		Maximum	1	Variance	0	Std. Error	0		skipped	26

24. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?		
	Response Percent	Response Total
1 Open-Ended Question	0.00%	0
No answers found.		'
	answered	0
	skipped	43

## 13. Option 11 – Extending the 'backdating' provisions within the scheme

25. D	o yc	ou agree	wit	h this ch	ange	e to the sch	eme?				
										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total
1	Yes	i								88.24%	15
2	No									11.76%	2
3	Dor	't Know								0.00%	0
Statis	stic	Minimum	1	Mean	1.1	Std. Deviation	0.3	Satisfaction Rate	5.8	answered	17
		Maximu m	2	Varianc e	0.1	Std. Error	0.0			skipped	26

26	26. If you disagree what alternative would you propose?						
			Response Percent	Response Total			
1	Ор	en-Ended Question	100.00%	1			
	1	Why would people not claim within 1 month. This could have a big impact to end of get an influx of claims.	year budgeti	ng if you			
			answered	1			
			skipped	42			

## 14. Alternatives to changing the Council Tax Reduction Scheme

#### 27. Increase the level of Council Tax to cover the additional administration costs Respons Respons e Percent e Total 1 Yes 17.65% 3 2 No 76.47% 13 3 Don't Know 5.88% 1 44.1 answered 17 **Statistic** 1.8 0.4 Satisfaction Std. Minimum Mean Deviation Rate 2 8 skipped 26 Maximu Varianc 0.2 0.1 3 Std. Error 2 m

#### 28. Find the additional administration costs by cutting other Council Services Respons Respons e Percent e Total 1 Yes 47.06% 2 No 47.06% 8 3 Don't Know 1 5.88% answered 17 29.4 **Statistic** Std. Satisfaction 1.5 Minimum Mean 0.6 9 Deviation Rate 1 skipped 26 Maximu Varianc 0.3 0.1 3 Std. Error 6 5 m е

			Doonanaa	Daananas	
			Response Percent	Total	
1	O	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	3	
	1	In essence a simpler scheme which should deliver cost savings. As a society, those shoulders should bare some of the weight. I hope that this new system gives a gent our poorest households.			
	2	Increasing council tax for those who can afford while making increased provision fo would be fair.	r those who d	can't afford	
I can't answer 29 without understanding where money is being wasted elsewhere within the council. I believe an independent audit would identify some cost saving areas which would cover some if not all this rise.					
			answered	3	

## 30. Please use the space below if you would like the Council to consider any other options (please state).

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Ор	en-Ended Question	100.00%	1
	1	Please consider lowering the overall Council Tax bills. We have been over charged		
			answered	1
			skipped	42

## 31. Please use the space below if you would like the Council to consider any other options (please state).

op	liOi	is (piease state).		
			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Op	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	1
	1	Please consider the people who have to depend on limited savings. Now they don't from banks. How on earth do you think they can get the money from.  Every year, my biggest expenses are the Council Tax and utility bills. I can't get hele the high council tax (and poor service) make people depressed.	Ū	income
			answered	1
			skipped	42

# 32. If you have any further comments or questions to make regarding the Council Tax Reduction scheme that you haven't had opportunity to raise elsewhere, please use the space below.

-  -				
			Response Percent	Response Total
1	O	pen-Ended Question	100.00%	2
	1	penalised for been on universal credit and working, but if you want everything for from money and don't pay. be paid to live instead of working to earn money to live	ee don't work	x, get given
	2	Lower Council Tax bills, please.		
			answered	2
			skipped	41

### 15. About You

## 33. Are you, or someone in your household, getting a Council Tax Reduction at this time?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes	6.25%	1
2	No	87.50%	14
3	Don't Know	6.25%	1
		answered	16

## 33. Are you, or someone in your household, getting a Council Tax Reduction at this time?

									Response Percent	Response Total
Statistics	Minimum	1	Mean	2	Std. Deviation	0.35	Satisfaction Rate	50	skipped	27
	Maximum	3	Variance	0.12	Std. Error	0.09				

### 34. What is your sex?

										Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male	Э								18.75%	3
2	Fem	nale								62.50%	10
3	Pref	er not to sa	y							18.75%	3
Statistics Minimum 1 Mean		2	Std. Deviation	0.61	Satisfaction Rate 5	50	answered	16			
		Maximum	3	Variance	0.38	Std. Error	0.15			skipped	27

### 35. Age

										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total
1	18-	24								0.00%	0
2	25-	34								25.00%	4
3	35-	44								37.50%	6
4	45-	54								12.50%	2
5	55-	64								0.00%	0
6	65-	74								0.00%	0
7	75-	84								0.00%	0
8	85-	<b>+</b>								0.00%	0
9	Pre	efer not to s	ay							25.00%	4
Statis	stic	Minimum	2	Mean	4.3	Std.	2.7	Satisfaction	42.1	answered	16
S		Maximu m	9	Varianc e	7.4 8	Deviation Std. Error	0.6 8	Rate	9	skipped	27

## 36. Disability: 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?

		Re: e Po	spons ercent	Respons e Total
1	Yes	12	2.50%	2
2	No	62	2.50%	10
3	Don't know	0.	.00%	0

## 36. Disability: 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?

										Respons e Percent	Respons e Total
4 Prefer not to say							25.00%	4			
Statistic s	Minimu	ım	1	Mean	2.3	Std. Deviation	0.9	Satisfaction Rate	45.8	answered	16
	Maximi	u	4	Varianc e	0.9	Std. Error	0.2		1-	skipped	27

## 37. Ethnic Origin: What is your ethnic group? Select each that apply.

								Response Percent	Response Total
1	Prefer i	not to say						25.00%	4
2	White British						68.75%	11	
3	White I	rish						0.00%	0
4	White 0	Sypsy or Iris	sh T	raveller				0.00%	0
5	Any oth	ner White ba	ack	ground				6.25%	1
6		Multiple eth						0.00%	0
7		Multiple eth						0.00%	0
8	Mixed/N White 8	Multiple ethi & Asian	nic	groups -				0.00%	0
9	Any oth	er multi mi	xed	backgrour	nd			0.00%	0
10	Asian o	r Asian Brit	tish	Pakistani				0.00%	0
11	Asian o	r Asian Brit	tish	Indian				0.00%	0
12	Asian o	r Asian Brit	tish	Banglades	shi			0.00%	0
13	Asian o	r Asian Brit	tish	Chinese				0.00%	0
14	Any oth	er Asian ba	acko	ground				0.00%	0
15	Black A	frican						0.00%	0
16	British (	Caribbean						0.00%	0
17	Black British							0.00%	0
18	Any other Black background							0.00%	0
St	atistics	Minimum	1	Mean	1.94	Std. Deviation	0.9	answered	16
		Maximum	5	Variance	0.81	Std. Error	0.22	skipped	27

## 38. Other Ethnic Group

		Response Percent	Response Total		
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	1		

38. Other Ethnic Group		
	Response Percent	Response Total
1 Anglo Saxon and Viking		
	answered	1
	skipped	42

## 16. Next steps....