

Appendix A

Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2017-2018: Public Consultation

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Total Responses received

Q1: Are you responding on behalf of yourself or an organisation?

54 Answered on behalf of an individual



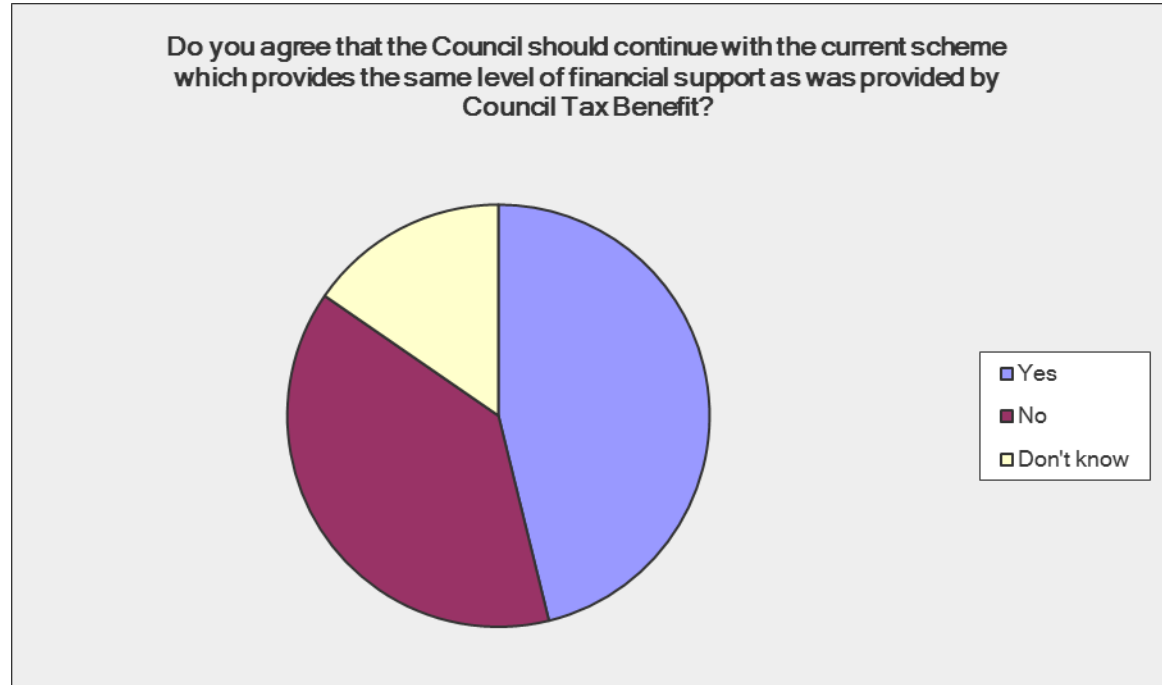
Q2: CURRENT SCHEME: Do you agree that the Council should continue with the current scheme which provides the same level of financial support as was provided by Council Tax?

Answered: 52 Skipped: 2

Yes 46.2% - 24 responses

No 38.5% - 20 responses

Don't know 15.4% – 8 responses



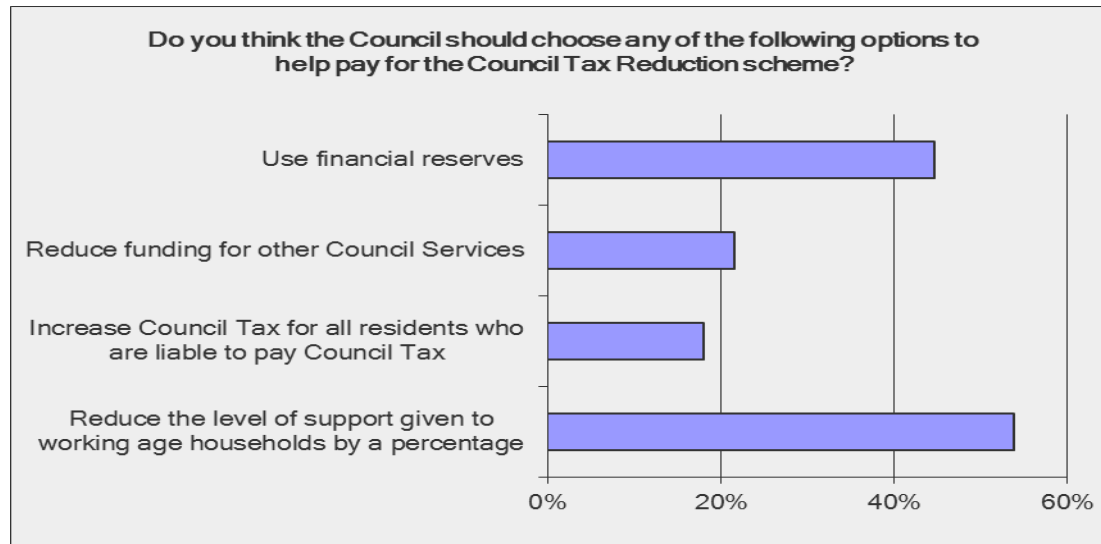
Q3: OTHER OPTIONS: Do you think the Council should choose any of the following options to help pay for the Council Tax Reduction Scheme?

Use reserves: 45% 21 responses

Reduce funding for other services: 22% - 11 responses

Increase Council Tax 18% - 9 responses

Reduce level of support for working age households 54% - 28 responses



Please use the space below to make any further comments

- Local politicians have to relay to their political masters that reducing local government capacity to provide services is a false economy.
 - All people of working age should have to pay a percentage.
 - Council Tax is more than one tenth of my wage each month but as I am a home owner well jointly with bank I don't receive any help.
 - I think everyone should at least contribute a small sum as every household benefits from the services provided.
 - Do not sacrifice social care for our elderly to support younger people who could easily work – there are loads of jobs in Cherwell and unless medically unfit then everyone should work at contribute a bit to the community.
 - Ensuring that all working age households contribute will encourage them to appreciate the difficult choices that local authorities have to make. An increase in Council Tax sanctioned by referendum would be deeply undemocratic when many of those voting would not be subject to any increase in charges. If they continue to receive 100% protection via the CTR scheme.
 - I have little knowledge of tax reduction scheme.
 - If you are needing to use financial reserves – make sure it is no more than 10% of the reserves.
 - Give higher tax to very rich people.
 - The council should consider providing support only to those households who are the lowest level of council tax in any region.
 - Was invited to claim benefit via age concern.
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