

## Strategic Finance

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Your ref:

Our ref:

Dear Martin,

Thank you for your submission, dated 9 November 2018, to the Council's consultation on proposed changes to the 2019/20 Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

We welcome your indication of support for the first element of the preferred option, which would extend the maximum level of Council Tax Reduction from 80.2% to 100% for working age residents with children. Your submission recognises that the Council is focused on protecting vulnerable residents and that one of the Government's principles requires billing authorities to consider extending support or protection to other vulnerable groups.

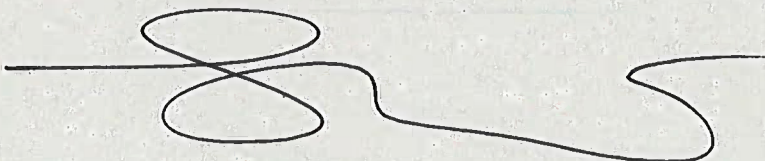
You also make reference to the second element of the Council's preferred option, which would update the scheme to align with some national welfare changes.

Your submission assesses that, taking the two elements of the Council's preferred option together, the GLA is supportive of the proposals as they seek to reduce the financial burden on vulnerable residents.

In relation to the requests for additional financial and policy information, the Council will respond in accordance with the usual timeline for reporting to the GLA. In relation to the Council Tax Protocol, the Council is looking to further develop its approach to ethical practices.

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for submission to the consultation. We will notify you of the outcome of the final decision, which takes place on 31 January 2019.

Yours sincerely,



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