City of Lincoln Council – Council Tax Support Scheme for 2020/21 – responses to consultation

Council Tax Support Survey - proposed scheme for 2020/21

Total responses = 237

Q1. We have designed our proposed support scheme taking into account the following principles:

- Reduced support where it is likely that a household has more income coming in or have savings to pay Council Tax
- Pension age protection is statutory under Central Government Legislation

Do you agree with these principles? (tick one)

Yes = 169 No = 40 Don't Know = 28

Q2. We offer an exemption from Council Tax for care leavers up to the age of 22. We propose to extend the exemption to the age of 25.

Do you agree with this propose change? (tick one)

Yes = 179 No = 23 Don't Know = 35

Q3. Council Tax empty homes premium – Currently properties that have been unoccupied (and substantially unfurnished) for 5 years or more are subject to additional Council Tax premium charge of 100% - giving a total change of 200%. The Government may propose to change this from 1 April 2020, and increase it to 300%. Do you agree City of Lincoln Council should increase the premium to 300%?

Do you agree? (tick one)

Yes = 145 No = 45 Don't know = 47

How many months do you think this suggested amount should apply for?

12 months = 87 6 months = 70 3 months = 42 Disagree with the above option – 37 No response = 1 Appendix 2 – Executive 20th January 2020

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Question 4b: Properties undergoing repair

How many months do you think this suggested amount should apply for?

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6 months = 144
3 months = 54
Disagree with the above option = 38
No response = 1
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Question 4c: Properties being marketed for sale

How many months do you think this suggested amount should apply for?

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3 months = 180
Disagree with the above option = 56
No response = 1
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Question 4d: Property undergoing adjustment to make it suitable for disabled living

How many months do you think this suggested amount should apply for?

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9 months = 98
6 months = 93
Disagree with the above option = 45
No response = 1
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Question 4e: Properties undergoing environmental efficiency improvement

How many months do you think this suggested amount should apply for?

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9 months = 81
6 months = 110
Disagree with the above option = 45
No response = 1
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