

APPENDIX 5

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Date

Council Tax Reduction consultation

Dear Resident,

Due to the COVID–19 pandemic the council has been forced to consider changes to services to enable it to balance its budget in 2021. One of these changes being considered is a change to the largest discretionary expenditure the council gives to support residents to pay their council tax. This is the council tax reduction scheme.

These proposed changes will make available approximately £600,000 from April 2021 to be used to help with the budget gap.

The consultation opens on the 1 September 2020 and closes on the 3 November 2020.

The online survey can be found at www.luton.gov.uk/consult. Paper copies are available on request from customer services. We will consider what you tell us both carefully and fully.

The new scheme will start on 1 April 2021.

Please also note that the decisions arising out of this consultation may affect more than just the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

We will consider the impact of the scheme each year and may consult again if we think more changes need to be made.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Mrs Durn Financial Assessment and Local Taxation Manager

