# Strategy Committee 13 December 2018 Council Tax Discretionary Discount

### For Decision

#### Portfolio Holder(s)

Cllr P Barrowcliff

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#### **Statutory Authority**

Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended)

#### **Purpose of Report**

1 For Committee to consider the application received for Council Tax discretionary discount.

#### Officer Recommendations

2 That Committee considers the application for Council Tax discretionary discount listed at Appendix 1.

#### **Reasons for Recommendation**

To ensure that the application is properly considered having regard to the individual merits of the case.

## **Background and Reason Decision Needed**

- 4 Under Section 13A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, Councils have the discretion to award Council Tax discounts of up to 100% of the amount due. Discounts can be awarded on an individual basis or in respect of a specific class of property or Council Taxpayer.
- Any application for discretionary discount must be considered on its individual merits. The costs of any such discount awarded are met from the Council's General Fund.
- Where a Council grants a discretionary discount it can be made for a specific period or can be for a period where the end date is not specified.
- 7 Committee is asked to consider the application for Council Tax discretionary discount which is listed at Appendix 1.

# **Implications**

## **Footnote**

Issues relating to financial, environmental, economic and equalities implications have been considered and any information relevant to the decision is included within the report.

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