



EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Monday 13th February 2017 at 6.30 pm

101. Council Tax Renovated Property

Purpose To seek approval in respect of a new policy for awarding local Council Tax discount to the owners of renovated properties which were previously classed as either uninhabitable or long-term empty.

An amendment to the recommendation in Paragraph 3 of the report was considered to include the Head of Finance in the delegation.

Reason for Decision This new Policy seeks to relieve property owners from the burden of paying Council Tax whilst they are renovating properties which were previously classed as either uninhabitable or long-term empty.

The policy adds an extra incentive for such owners by awarding a 100% local discount for up to six months, once renovation works have been completed on former uninhabitable or long-term empty properties, and the works have brought the property up to an agreed standard.

Decision (1) That Full Council be recommended to approve this new policy for awarding local Council Tax discount from 1April 2017. (Appendix 1); and

(2) That Full Council be recommended, as amended, to approve that delegated authority is given to the Head of Housing and Development Control in conjunction with the Head of Finance to amend the criteria of the scheme to ensure it remains cost effective and achieves the objectives of the policy.