

## Appendix B

### Previously considered scheme changes

Area considered	Explanation
<b>Re align the schemes</b>	Changing the Council Tax support scheme to match reductions in entitlement built into the Housing Benefit scheme
<b>Changing the level of “minimum payment” for all working age customers</b>	Consideration was given to the impact of increasing the minimum % paid from 8.5% to 10%\15%\20% and 25%, as well as reducing the amount paid to 5%.
<b>Introducing a band cap</b>	This would limit the amount that we would pay to a value of a lower property band, for example Band C
<b>Introducing a minimum amount that the council would fund</b>	For example the minimum award would be £5 per week, if you qualified for less, you would not be granted the relief.
<b>Changes around discretions for Disability, Children and other Dependents</b>	Introducing or amending the existing weighting of awards in favour of these groups
<b>Non dependents</b>	Increasing the amount of benefit lost when there is a non-dependant resident in the home.
<b>Capital Limits – reduce the level of Capital that excludes from entitlement.</b>	Claimants with capital (savings/property etc) in excess of £16,000 are ineligible for Council Tax Support.
<b>Other adjustments</b>	There are a number of other component elements of the scheme that could be adjusted including income tapers, income disregards etc.