

**Addendum to Agenda Item 11.1 (Report from the Policy & Resources Committee, 13 January 2015 – Council Tax Support Scheme)**

**Annex 2 – Council Tax Support: Options for a Revised Scheme  
Financial Context Clarification**

The following table was reported in the Policy & Resources Committee paper 13 January 2015, under paragraph 1.6.4.

	RSG £m	CTS £m	Available to spend on other services £m	% cut on previous year
13/14	78.8	22.4	56.4	
14/15	65.2	18.5	46.7	17%
15/16	48.2	13.7	34.5	26%
16/17	40.0	11.4	28.6	17%

**Table 1 - Impact on Council finances if spend on CTS not reduced in line with overall RSG reduction**

The table below provides the following additional information:

- a) Updated figures following the provisional finance settlement; and
- b) Provides figures for both revenue support grant and also the settlement funding assessment figures, which include retained business rates.

	Revenue Support Grant (RSG)	Busines Rates	Settlement Funding Assessme nt (SFA)	Council Tax Support (CTS) Grant based on RSG	CTS based on SFA	CTS Spend	% cut on previo us year – based on RSG	% cut on previo us year – based on SPA
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m		
2013/14	78.8	51.0	128.1	22.4	22.4	28.9	-	-
2014/15	65.2	52.3	117.5	18.9	20.5	27.8	15%	6%
2015/16	50.1	53.3	103.4	14.5	18.0	27.8	23%	9%

**Table 2 – Revised table including Settlement Funding Assessment**

The figures for 2015/16 assume no change in council tax or a change to the CTS caseload.

In table 1, produced in July 2014, the RSG element for 2015/16 was assumed for Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) purposes. This has now been updated from £48.2m to £50.1m following the provisional SFA announcement. This forms part of the total funding (SFA) of £103.4m.

The amount of CTS grant for 2015/16 is not split out from the SFA or RSG. A proportional cut is shown in the forecast, showing that in RSG terms CTS grant has been reduced by 15% in 2014/15 and a further 23% in 2015/16. This is based on actuals in 2013/14. The SFA grant which includes income from Business Rates and RSG shows a proportionate reduction in CTS grant of 6% in 2014/15 and 9% in 2015/16.