








## LCTS (2019-2020) and Empty Homes Survey

### Appendix 2 - Survey trends 2018/19 versus 2019/20 schemes

A comparison is made between the results of the consultation run in 2017 for the 2018/19 scheme and that run in 2018 for the 2019/20 scheme. A direct correlation of any responses is only reported here where the same question was asked in both surveys.

| Overall submissions                | Result (percentage) | Result (percentage)      | Trend   |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                    | 2018/19 scheme      | 2019/20 scheme and trend |   |
| Total number of paper submissions: | (98.19%)            | (99.01%)                 |    |
| Total number of web submissions:   | (1.81%)             | (0.99%)                  |   |
| Total number of submissions:       | (100%)              | (100%)                   |  |

| Headline question  |                                       | Result counts (percentage)                    |  |
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| <p><b>Q3a</b> The Government has said pensioners on low income must be given full protection from the implications of this scheme. Uttlesford's current scheme also protects disabled people on a low income and carers on a low income.</p> <p>Do you agree with this?</p>  | <p>Yes (94.66%)</p> <p>No (5.34%)</p> | <p><b>Yes (94.50%)</b></p> <p>No (5.50%)</p>  | <br><br>   |
| <p><b>Q3b</b> For each 2.5% of increase the LCTS recipient(s) will need to pay, on average, an additional £38 of Council Tax each year. The cost to the council of keeping the rate at 12.5% would be approximately £204,000. For each 2.5% increase recipients have to pay, the cost of the scheme for the council would reduce by approximately £3,958. Should the council keep the rate at 12.5%?</p> | <p>Yes (71.6%)</p> <p>No (28.1%)</p>  | <p><b>Yes (68.09%)</b></p> <p>No (31.91%)</p> | <br><br> |

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| <b>Q3c</b><br>Should the council increase the premium on properties that have been empty and unfurnished for 2 years or more to 100% of the council tax? | (This question was not included in the Local Council Tax Support Scheme Survey for 2018-2019) | <b>Yes (83.59%</b><br><br><b>No (16.41%)</b> |  |