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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI492355244

Thank you for your request for information relating to Council Tax Support/Reduction.

You have requested the following information:

Please could you provide me with details of your council tax reduction scheme (sometimes known as council tax support) for working-age claimants for 2023/24.

If you have made any changes from the scheme you operated in 2022/23, please identify those changes.

If you have already published your 2023/24 council tax reduction/support scheme policy document, please provide a link/copy.

In response to your request, we refer you to the attached documents.

The local changes we have made to the Council Tax Support scheme 2022/23, when compared to the scheme for 2023/24 are as follows:

- (a) Backdating, as covered in section 69.8 (2) within the attached Council Tax Support scheme for 2023/24, specifically:
- In 2022/2023 the maximum period was 6 months. Whereas in 2023/2024, it has been increased to a maximum period of 12 months.
- The good cause which was required for backdating has been replaced by what the Council

considers to be reasonable.

(b) Non-dependant deductions, as covered in section 58.0 within the attached Council Tax Support scheme for 2023/2024. For further details on this, we refer you to the attached table.

Any other changes would be mandatory legislation changes, up-ratings and the prescribed requirements regulations.

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infogov@coventry.gov.uk

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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2022/2023	Deduct ion per week (£)	2023/2024	Deduct ion per week (£)
Aged 18+ and in Remunerative Work:		Aged 18+ and in Remunerative Work:	
Gross income less than £224.00	4.20	Gross income less than £236.00	4.60
Gross income £224.00 to £388.99	8.55	Gross income £236.00 to £409.99	9.40
Gross income £389.00 to £483.99	10.70	Gross income £410.00 to £510.99	11.80
Gross income £484.00 or more	12.85	Gross income £511.00 or more	14.15
Aged 18+ and not working or in receipt of benefits	4.20	Aged 18+ and not working or in receipt of benefits	4.60