



Birmingham City Council

Title: Council Tax Base 2024/25 (Q2)

Date: 5th January 2024

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Commissioner Review

Commissioners are supportive of the report. The increased collection rate referenced in the report is achievable. However, the Authority must ensure that it focuses fully on this target and reviews and tightens current processes to ensure the target is achieved.

Given that Councils Tax is such an important income stream for the Authority we recommend that the current Council Tax Support Scheme is reviewed as soon as possible to ensure it is appropriate for current circumstances. We understand the scheme has not been reviewed since its implementation over 10 years ago. We also recommend that the Council reviews the current policy on Council Tax exemptions and discounts including their award and ongoing monitoring. We are pleased there will be a review of the single person discounts.