

APPENDIX A
Proposed Essex Schemes 2017/18

	Basildon	Braintree	Brentwood	Castle Point	Chelmsford	Colchester	Epping Forest	Harlow	Maldon	Rochford	Southeast-on-Sea	Tendring	Thurrock	Uttlesford
Minimum council tax payment?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
% Minimum council tax payment level 2017/18	25	24	0 - 20	32 /34 /35	23	20	25	24	20	28	25	20	25	12.5
Savings limit	16000	16000	16000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	16000	6000	16000
Other benefits counted as income?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Second adult rebate reduced or abolished?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Changes made to non-dependent deductions	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

Support restricted to a particular council tax band?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Consulting	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Council Tax band support is restricted to	D	D	D	D	D	-	D	H	D	D	D	-	-	-
Introduce minimum council tax support payment?	Yes	No	No	Consulting	No	Consulting	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Minimum weekly council tax support payment	£2.50	-	-	50p -£2	-	-£2	£0.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	£2.00
Taper rate	20%	24%	15 -20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Changes made to conditions around starting work?	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Hardship fund	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Mirror all changes in Housing	Yes	N/K	No	Yes	No	no	N/K	consulting	yes	yes	Yes	No	yes	yes

Benefit														
Remove Family Premium	No	yes	No	Yes	No	yes	consulting	consulting	yes	yes	Yes		Yes	yes
Changes to Minimum Income Floor	Yes	yes	Yes	No	Yes	Consulting	yes	yes	yes	yes	No	yes	Yes	yes
Dependents reduced to two	No		No	Yes	No	no		No	yes	Yes	yes		Yes	yes
Changes made to backdating rules to one month	Yes	yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	yes	No	Yes	yes
Change Temporary Absence rules	No		No	Yes	No	Consulting		Yes	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes
Disregard the new Bereavement Support payments for working age applicants		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	consulting	Consulting	consulting	consulting					
Introduce discretion in regards								Consulting	consulting					

to DWP notification s for working age CTS claims.														
Accept documenta tion from the DWP as an intention to claim Council Tax Support								Consulti ng	Consulti ng					