

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE NON-KEY DECISION

Decision Taken By: Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing	Decision Number: D240069MEM
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Date: 26 June 2024

Decision(s) and Reason(s)
APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF COUNCIL TAX EMPTY PROPERTY PREMIUM CHARGE
(Reason: LGA 1972 Sch 12A Paragraph 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))
Following consideration of an application for discretionary relief, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing RESOLVED that:
(1) in accordance with the Empty Homes and Second Homes Premium Policy 2024-25, an application to waive the council tax premium charge be REFUSED.
Reasons for decision:
(1) Consideration had been given to the taxpayer's circumstances - however, it was felt that being a landlord had its inherent risks, and that the maintenance of a property (and the associated costs of keeping the property vacant) did not warrant a discretionary award to waive the premium charge. It was also noted that the proposed Government exceptions to the premium charge did not cover this scenario.

Signed Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing:	K Tanner
Signed Deputy Leader:	M Coffin
Signed Interim Chief Executive:	A Stanfield
Date of publication:	27 June 2024

This decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 working days after publication unless it is called in.