

Appendix A – Council Tax Support Schemes

Council	2021/22 Scheme	2022 / 23 Plans
Stockton	80% - means tested	100% - Income Banded – out to consultation
Darlington	80% - means tested	No plans to change.
Hartlepool	88% - means tested	Considering options but expect to stay the same.
Redcar & Cleveland	82.5% - means tested	Considering options
Durham	100% - means tested	No plans to change
Newcastle	90% - Income Banded	Looking to increase support to 100%. Retaining Income Banded scheme – considering options
Gateshead	91.5% - means tested	No plans to change
Hambleton	90% - Income Banded	No plans to change – minor tweaks to existing scheme
North Tyneside	85% - means tested	No plans to significantly change
Northumberland	88% - means tested	No plans to change
South Tyneside	70% (or 15% if vulnerable) – means tested	No plans to change
Sunderland	91.5% - means tested	No plans to change

* - means tested schemes are similar to the type of scheme Middlesbrough currently operate where the whole of a claimant and their partner's income is compared to an allowance and the entitlement is worked out based on this comparison. It is similar to the way Housing Benefit is currently calculated.

** - Income Banded scheme is a scheme calculated in the way proposed in this report for Middlesbrough going forward. Broad income ranges are set based on a claimant and their partner's circumstance, and a set discount is given based on an income range.