

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF DECISION

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REVIEW OF HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT RENT AND ASSOCIATED CHARGES 2018-19

Notice is hereby given that the Cabinet Member for Housing has made the following executive decision on the above mentioned subject for the reasons set out below.

Summary of Decision

1. That in order to comply with the provisions of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016, the Cabinet Member for Housing agreed that Housing Revenue Account (HRA) rents are reduced by 1% from the 2nd April 2018 and noted that the impact of this is a rent loss of £0.745m compared to 2017-18.
2. That the Cabinet Member for Housing noted that the Council continues to exercise its discretion under the rent restructuring policy to set rents for new tenants and transfers on all re-lets at formula target rent from Monday 2nd April 2018.
3. That the Cabinet Member for Housing noted that the tenant service charges be varied in line with estimated actual costs for 2018-19 from Monday 2nd April 2018.
4. That the Cabinet Member noted that charges for car parking, parking spaces and sheds and garages be increased by 4.1% from Monday 2nd April 2018 and that this will generate an additional £0.049m.

Reasons for Decision

To set the HRA tenant rents and other charges for the financial year 2017-18. The City Council is required by law to give tenants at least 28 days' notice of any variation to the rent charged.

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