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Dear Councillor

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the meeting of the **COUNCIL** on Wednesday 29 January 2020 at 6.00 pm, the following addendum to the reports from when the agenda was printed.

9 **COUNCIL TAX BASE 2020-21** (Page 2)

To consider the attached addendum to the report of the Strategic Director (Corporate Resources).

13 **MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2020-21** (Pages 3 - 4)

To consider the attached addendum to the report of the Democratic Services Manager.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicky", written over a horizontal line.

Chief Executive

ADDENDUM

Agenda Item 9: COUNCIL TAX BASE 2020/21

Please note the following correction to the report as published in the agenda:

- Recommendation:** It is recommended that Council:
1. Determine that for the financial year 2020/21, the empty homes discount for properties unoccupied and unfurnished remain at 0%, so that Council Tax will be payable in full on these properties.
 2. Approve the District's Council Tax Base for 2020/21 as 39,029.75 and the tax base for the towns and parishes in the Council's administrative area, as set out in the table at Appendix 2.
 3. Formally determines the "Long Term Empty Premium" for properties that have been left empty and substantially unfurnished:
 - (a) for periods of ~~more than~~ 2 but less than 5 years, a Long Term Empty Premium to be charged at 100%; and
 - (b) for periods of ~~more than~~ 5 years or more a Long Term Empty Premium to be charged at 200%.

The same changes also need to be made to the 'Purpose of the Report' as follows:

To formally determine the "Long Term Empty Premium" for properties that have been left empty and substantially unfurnished:

- (a) for periods ~~of more than~~ 2 but less than 5 years, a Long Term Empty Premium to be charged at 100%; and
- (b) for periods of ~~more than~~ 5 years or more a Long Term Empty Premium to be charged at 200%.

Paragraph 5.3 of the report should also read as follows:

"5.3 Results from the public consultation which took place in December 2018 were put to Full Council on 30 January 2019, and all increases were approved. The purpose of para 6.1 is to formally determine the charging of:

- (a) the 100% Long Term Empty Premium for properties empty and unfurnished for periods of ~~more than~~ 2 but less than 5 years and
- (b) the 200% Long Term Empty Premium for properties empty and unfurnished for ~~between~~ 5 years or more. "

Members' Allowance Scheme 2020/21

The recommendations of the East Kent Joint Independent Remuneration Panel are as follows:

RESOLVED: That it be recommended to Dover District Council that the Panel would support an increase in the Members' Allowances Scheme as set out in Option 2b of the report or, if no increase in allowances was agreed, support Option 1b so that the Dependent Carers Allowance was increased to £8.72 per hour in line with the National Living Wage (from April 2020).

ADDENDUM

Agenda Item 13: MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2020/21

Please note the following correction to the report as published in the agenda:

Appendix 2: The allowance for Members of the Licensing Committee in Schedule 2 should read £315.00 not £260.00.

Appendix 3: This should read as 13 not 12 members of the Licensing Committee which makes the total difference of £715.00 not £660.00 when Options 1 and 2 are compared and an overall cost of £51,271.00