**LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1992, SECTION 11B**

**VARIATION OF COUNCIL TAX CHARGES**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on 19 December 2018 Lancaster City Council made the following determinations in respect of long term empty dwellings, pursuant to section 11B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended, (“the Act”).

1. That the discount under section 11(2)(a) of the Act shall not apply, and for the financial year beginning on 1st April 2019, the council tax payable on any long term empty dwelling shall be increased by an additional 100% premium.
2. That the discount under section 11(2)(a) of the Act shall not apply, and for the financial year beginning on 1st April 2020, the council tax payable on any long term empty dwelling where –
3. the period specified in section 11B(8) of the Act ending on the relevant day is less than 5 years, shall be increased by an additional 100% premium;
4. the period specified in section 11B(8) of the Act ending on the relevant day is at least 5 years, shall be increased by an additional 200% premium.
5. That the discount under section 11(2)(a) of the Act shall not apply, and for the financial year beginning on 1st April 2021, the council tax payable on any long term empty dwelling where –
6. the period specified in section 11B(8) of the Act ending on the relevant day is less than 5 years, shall be increased by an additional 100% premium;
7. the period specified in section 11B(8) of the Act ending on the relevant day is at least 5 years but less than 10 years, shall be increased by an additional 200% premium;
8. the period specified in section 11B(8) of the Act ending on the relevant day is at least 10 years, shall be increased by an additional 300% premium.

Further information can be found on the Lancaster City Council’s website at: (www.lancaster.gov.uk)

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