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Cornwall Council  
All Town and Parish Councils in Cornwall

**Our Reference:**

RTC/FC Corres

**Date:**

10 February 2025

**Sent on behalf of Redruth Town Council for consideration by all Town and Parish Councils in Cornwall**

Below is a motion which was put forward by Cllr Katie Grasso and which Council resolved to send to all Town and Parish Councils in Cornwall, and to Cornwall Council at our last Full Council meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

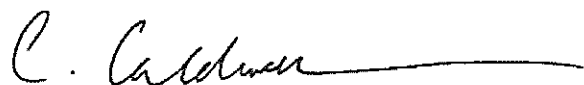
*After studying the recent tax base figures for the new second home council tax premiums, we propose that Cornwall Council consider a much fairer way of proportioning the proceeds, so that all areas have equal benefit reflected in their precepts, and not those only with busy tourist locations or wealthier areas which have a much higher rate of second home ownership. Poorer areas should receive similar amounts to those wealthier locations, where the need is often greater, and this would benefit the county as a whole.*

*Looking at second home council tax in general, Cornwall Council should ring fence this money solely for providing housing, reparation works to current council housing and those currently empty due to repair status, and potential CPO for properties empty in towns/villages that could provide much needed accommodation, as well as helping areas improve.*

*Like when the second home council tax rate 50% deduction was removed to support local housing, the second home premium was introduced as part of the levelling up strategy, in response to the housing crisis and need for additional social and local support. This is similar to the way in which the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) is distributed.*

We look forward to hearing from you once you have considered this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Caldwell", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Charlotte Caldwell  
Town Clerk  
FRSA, PSLCC