North Tyneside Council Report to Council Date: 24 January 2013

ITEM 4

Title: Technical Reforms of Council Tax

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Wards affected: All

1 <u>PART 1</u>

1.1 Purpose:

The purpose of the main report will be to consider the options available for introducing changes to the following Statutory discounts and exemptions:

- a) Class A Exemption
- b) Class C Exemption
- c) Empty Homes 50% Discount
- d) Second Homes Discount.

The available options are due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 16 January 2013.

1.2 Recommendations

The main report will be provided following Cabinet's consideration on 16 January and will refer Cabinet's proposals in respect of the above matters to Council for consideration.