

**Bracknell Forest Council  
Record of Decision**

<b>Work Programme Reference</b>	<b>1078966</b>
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1. **TITLE:** Business Rate Pilot Proposal

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Finance

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To set out the arrangements for applying with the other Berkshire councils to be a business rate pilot in 2019/20

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

The proposed draft submission from the Berkshire local authorities for Business Rates Pilot status in 2019/20 as set out in Annex 1 of the Director: Finance's report is endorsed and authorises the Director: Finance to incorporate any proposed changes arising from the meeting of the Berkshire Leaders on 24 September.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

The recommendations are intended to provide the Executive with the opportunity to review and endorse the Council's involvement is a bid to secure Business Rates Pilot status for Berkshire in 2019/20, with the submission date coinciding with the Executive's meeting.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The bid could not be supported, which would mean the Council and other local authorities would not have the opportunity to benefit from additional funding in 2019/20.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** CMT and other Berkshire authorities.

10. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Councillor McCracken expressed an Affected Interest as a member of the Fire Authority.

<b>Date Decision Made</b>	<b>Final Day of Call-in Period</b>
25 September 2018	2 October 2018