#### PLEASE RETURN TO:

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL PO BOX 9060 MOTHERWELL ML1 1PF



| Name:   |  |
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| Address:  |  |
|   |  |
| *The above must be completed                      |  |
| Council Tax Reference:(As per Council Tax Notice) |  |

#### **Chief Executive's Office**

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# **COUNCIL TAX EXEMPTION: SEVERELY MENTALLY IMPAIRED**

Schedule 11 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and the Council Tax (Exempt Dwellings) Scotland Order 1992 (as amended) states that a dwelling house may be exempt from council tax (including the water charge) if it falls within the category as detailed below.

### A dwelling house which is occupied: -

Only by one or more persons who have a severe impairment of intelligence and social functioning which appears to be permanent as certified by a registered medical practioner and they receive one or more of the following benefits:-

- 1. Incapacity Benefit
- 2. Employment Support Allowance
- 3. Attendance Allowance
- 4. Severe Disablement Allowance
- 5. The highest or middle rate of the care Component of Disability Living Allowance
- 6. An increased rate of Disablement Pension
- 11. Jobseekers Allowance in certain defined

- 7. Disability Working Allowance
- 8. Unemployability Supplement
- Constant Attendance Allowance under the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme or the Naval, Military and Air Forces etc (Disablement & Death) Service Pension Order
- 10. An Unemployability Allowance under the legislation in (8) above
- 12. The Daily Living component of Personal Independence Payment.
- Please supply the details requested, sign the declaration overleaf and return this form, together with any supporting documentary evidence, to the address shown above.
- Please note: Exemption will not be granted unless supported by evidence to verify your application.
- An inspection of your property may be required.





#### SECTION 1: TO BE COMPLETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF A LIABLE PERSON

| I apply for property exemption on the basis that the qualifying conditions noted overleaf have been met by  Name:  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
| The benefit received by me/him/her is  Please enclose evidence that the liable person receives one or more of the benefits details on the front of this form e.g. DWP award letter or copy of a bank statement, which details the benefit in payment |  |  |  |
| The number of adults including the above named usually resident in the house is  |  |  |  |
| Please sign here if you are the liable person  |  |  |  |
| Please sign here if you are completing the application on behalf of the liable person  |  |  |  |

## SECTION 2: TO BE COMPLETED BY A REGISTERED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER

|  | delete as appropriate |  |  |
|--|-----------------------|--|--|
| In your opinion does the above person suffer from a severe impairment of intelligence?       |                       |  |  |
| Does this appear to be permanent?  | YES/NO                |  |  |
| In your opinion does the above person suffer from a severe impairment of social functioning? | YES/NO                |  |  |
| Does this appear to be permanent?  | YES/NO                |  |  |
| To my knowledge this condition has existed since / /   |                       |  |  |
| SIGNED:  |                       |  |  |

**I DECLARE** that I will notify the Council within 21 days of any change in circumstances which may affect my liability e.g. exempt status no longer applies or the number of adults in the house increases.

### NOTICE UNDER THE DATA PROTECTION ACT & INFORMATION GOVERNANCE

It is an offence to give false information. Make sure that you understand what you have written before you sign the declaration. Any claim that is found to be fraudulent may be passed to the Procurator Fiscal and may be subject to criminal prosecution. We may check information provided by you, or information about you provided by a third party, with other information held by us. We may also get information from certain third parties, or give information to them to check the accuracy of the information to prevent or detect crime or to protect public funds in other ways, as permitted by law. These third parties include Government Departments, Local Authorities and Credit Reference Agencies.

**NOTE: -** It would assist the Council if you notify the Head of Financial Solutions in the event of a change of address.