

Council Tax information

2022 to 2023

Where your Council Tax goes

In 2022 to 2023 people who live in West Suffolk will pay £112.28 million in Council Tax. This money goes to the following:

- Suffolk County Council gets £82.6 million (73.6 per cent of the total)
- The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk (OPCCS) gets £14.21 million (12.7 per cent of the total)
- West Suffolk Council gets £10.74 million (9.6 per cent of the total)
- Parish and town councils get £4.73 million (4.2 per cent of the total).

What you pay for services

From 1 April 2019 West Suffolk Council replaced Forest Heath District Council and St Edmundsbury Borough Council. Regulations were put in place to harmonise the Council Tax of the two predecessor areas, this has now been finalised.

The Council Tax payable by properties in West Suffolk for 2022 to 2023 is set out in the table below (excluding the parish council charge):

	Suffolk County Council	OPCCS	West Suffolk Council	West Suffolk Council area total	
Band	this year	this year	this year	this year	each week
A	£959.28	£165.12	£124.74	£1,249.14	£24.02
B	£1,119.16	£192.64	£145.53	£1,457.33	£28.03
C	£1,279.04	£220.16	£166.32	£1,665.52	£32.03
D	£1,438.92	£247.68	£187.11	£1,873.71	£36.03
E	£1,758.68	£302.72	£228.69	£2,290.09	£44.04
F	£2,078.44	£357.76	£270.27	£2,706.47	£52.05
G	£2,398.20	£412.80	£311.85	£3,122.85	£60.05
H	£2,877.84	£495.36	£374.22	£3,747.42	£72.07

If you have a parish or town council in your area, your final bill will also include a contribution for them. Parish Council Tax bills for Band D properties will vary from nil to £148.60 depending on where you live. The average bill for a Band D property will be £1,956.19 including all authorities.

Where the money comes from

	2022 to 2023 £ millions	2021 to 2022 £ millions
Council Taxpayers	(15.48)	(14.29)
Interest and investment income	(0.29)	(0.17)
Fees, charges and specific Government grants	(33.89)	(33.90)
Housing Benefits subsidy	(27.58)	(28.65)
Transfer from reserves	(10.8)	(4.98)
Business rates and Government grants	(7.71)	(10.66)
Total	(95.75)	(92.65)

How we spend the money

	2022 to 2023 £ millions	2021 to 2022 £ millions
Cultural and related services	5.35	5.45
Environmental and regulatory services	10.66	4.75
Planning and development services	7.18	7.50
Highways and transport services	3.85	3.84
Other housing services	31.32	30.03
Parish and Town spending	4.73	4.35
Central services to the public	0.49	0.50
Corporate and democratic services	20.61	23.87

	2022 to 2023 £ millions	2021 to 2022 £ millions
Other costs	2.42	3.52
Transfers to reserves	9.14	8.86
Total	95.75	92.67

Parish precepts

Listed below are the parish and town council precepts. The table shows the total amount of the parish precept, the taxbase and the resulting Council Tax charge for 2021 to 2022 and 2022 to 2023 for a dwelling in valuation Band D.

Parish	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Ampton, Timworth and Livermere	-	48.69	-	-	49.87	-
Bardwell	15,828	311.96	50.74	15,306	301.64	50.74
Barnardiston	-	58.31	-	-	58.58	-
Barnham	8,545	232.28	36.79	8,345	229.18	36.41
Barningham	34,758	350.38	99.20	34,350	342.93	100.17
Barrow cum Denham	26,692	755.50	35.33	25,240	728.41	34.65
Barton Mills	27,350	424.27	64.46	25,736	410.71	62.66
Beck Row	52,000	1,206.01	43.12	48,249	1,140.70	42.30
Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield	14,559	226.76	64.20	13,528	221.27	61.14
Bradfield St Clare	3,184	71.04	44.82	2,660	69.08	38.51
Bradfield St George	5,500	159.39	34.51	5,434	154.99	35.06
Brandon (and Wangford)	303,819	2,553.24	118.99	286,136	2,407.97	118.83
Brockley	8,866	132.49	66.92	8,828	131.81	66.98
Bury St Edmunds	579,974	13,710.95	42.30	560,695	13,255.21	42.30

Parish	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Cavendish	27,450	424.99	64.59	26,734	416.25	64.23
Cavenham	800	63.31	12.64	800	60.18	13.29
Chedburgh	10,872	260.44	41.74	10,496	261.64	40.12
Chevington	7,377	273.18	27.00	7,349	271.19	27.10
Clare	105,900	875.29	120.99	96,924	840.77	115.28
Coney Weston	8,740	172.15	50.77	8,709	169.69	51.32
Cowlinge	16,822	137.48	122.36	16,300	138.23	117.92
Culford West Stow and Wordwell	10,087	274.10	36.80	9,604	269.94	35.58
Dalham	7,029	131.89	53.29	6,832	133.72	51.09
Denston	600	56.74	10.57	400	60.75	6.58
Depden	2,700	89.34	30.22	2,700	87.33	30.92
Elveden	1,200	118.73	10.11	1,200	113.21	10.60
Eriswell	14,549	316.97	45.90	14,141	326.57	43.30
Euston	1,780	62.79	28.35	1,780	59.74	29.80
Exning	79,350	870.64	91.14	68,268	844.34	80.85
Fakenham Magna	3,974	61.63	64.48	3,711	59.31	62.57
Flempton-cum-Hengrave	7,500	147.95	50.69	9,997	149.38	66.92
Fornham All Saints	24,175	274.67	88.01	23,550	273.92	85.97
Fornham St Martin-cum-St Genevieve	29,285	489.70	59.80	28,651	479.13	59.80
Freckenham	14,385	140.01	102.74	13,712	135.35	101.31
Gazeley	16,600	282.61	58.74	15,672	277.81	56.41
Great and Little Whelnetham	12,035	388.72	30.96	11,606	364.33	31.86
Great Barton	33,587	953.97	35.21	33,587	940.01	35.73

Parish	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Great Bradley	13,000	161.48	80.51	12,237	158.68	77.12
Great Livermere	7,500	83.26	90.08	7,000	80.99	86.43
Great Thurlow	6,900	87.89	78.51	6,900	92.59	74.52
Great Wratting	6,500	88.29	73.62	5,500	87.88	62.59
Hargrave	5,002	116.41	42.97	5,000	116.35	42.97
Haverhill	1,139,918	7,671.05	148.60	1,042,834	7,272.34	143.40
Hawkedon	696	66.04	10.54	217	66.07	3.28
Hawstead	7,400	131.59	56.24	7,400	133.58	55.40
Hepworth	7,561	216.89	34.86	7,138	213.33	33.46
Herringswell	7,220	132.77	54.38	7,173	123.53	58.07
Higham	-	73.30	-	-	76.27	-
Honington-cum-Sapiston	21,300	305.74	69.67	20,930	300.24	69.71
Hopton cum Knettishall	8,043	256.94	31.30	7,736	252.70	30.61
Horringer	29,566	411.92	71.78	23,545	404.13	58.26
Hundon	20,905	440.58	47.45	18,569	431.63	43.02
Icklingham	8,900	153.67	57.92	8,780	149.37	58.78
Ickworth	434	8.33	52.10	347	8.82	39.34
Ingham	5,500	166.09	33.11	5,000	163.83	30.52
Ixworth cum Ixworth Thorpe	48,465	782.15	61.96	46,254	767.30	60.28
Kedington	81,570	680.30	119.90	83,548	675.61	123.66
Kentford	11,502	407.49	28.23	9,500	365.63	25.98
Lackford	5,385	105.23	51.17	5,274	104.79	50.33
Lakenheath	170,400	1,427.61	119.36	148,413	1,349.09	110.01
Lidgate	7,166	98.76	72.56	6,579	100.11	65.72

Parish	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Little Bradley	-	18.42	-	-	20.48	-
Little Thurlow	10,969	106.71	102.79	10,959	108.41	101.09
Little Wratting	-	65.64	-	-	61.13	-
Market Weston	8,000	100.25	79.80	6,500	102.56	63.38
Mildenhall High Town	293,702	2,253.29	130.34	231,250	2,165.91	106.77
Moulton	32,384	431.54	75.04	31,890	428.19	74.48
Newmarket	715,210	5,611.06	127.46	655,380	5,386.18	121.68
Nowton	3,984	64.57	61.70	2,439	64.68	37.71
Ousden	8,504	122.66	69.33	8,347	123.00	67.86
Pakenham	12,180	342.17	35.60	11,789	332.30	35.48
Poslingford	4,174	94.44	44.20	4,105	91.94	44.65
Red Lodge	186,415	1,771.65	105.22	161,740	1,622.75	99.67
Rede	1,463	53.70	27.24	1,463	53.37	27.41
Risby	11,405	300.23	37.99	10,686	295.50	36.16
Rushbrooke with Rougham	19,380	644.10	30.09	19,117	581.27	32.89
Santon Downham	7,402	89.85	82.38	7,256	93.02	78.00
Stansfield	5,768	91.10	63.32	5,564	92.79	59.96
Stanton	73,710	937.35	78.64	68,320	920.07	74.26
Stoke by Clare	18,822	223.81	84.10	17,938	223.61	80.22
Stradishall	8,395	172.40	48.69	7,812	169.01	46.22
The Saxhams	6,000	123.07	48.75	6,000	128.05	46.86
Thelnetham	1,800	99.95	18.01	1,800	99.14	18.16
Troston	14,000	289.81	48.31	12,386	290.92	42.58
Tuddenham St Mary	14,310	164.39	87.05	12,225	165.74	73.76

Parish	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
West Row	59,451	568.13	104.64	58,333	557.49	104.64
Westley	2,180	93.00	23.44	2,245	95.73	23.45
Whepstead	9,560	224.84	42.52	9,256	217.84	42.49
Wickhambrook	38,413	509.33	75.42	35,610	491.71	72.42
Withersfield	9,440	327.21	28.85	9,280	321.65	28.85
Wixoe	1,100	65.94	16.68	1,100	66.70	16.49
Worlington	17,893	263.38	67.94	14,749	238.83	61.76
Total parish precepts	4,734,719			4,358,643		
Total taxbase		57,406.34			55,339.97	
Average Band D parish tax			82.48			78.76

Parish and town councils spending more than £140,000

Regulations state we must show details of service spending if a parish or town council's precept is more than £140,000.

Brandon Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	180	-	180	174	-	174
Cemetery	18	(17)	1	36	(16)	20
Community events	-	-	-	10	-	10
Disused Churchyard or memorial	18	-	18	-	-	-
Grants	44	-	44	39	-	39
Leisure services	12	-	12	11	-	10
Street lighting	28	-	28	26	-	26
Village, memorial hall or other property	-	-	-	7	-	7
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(10)	-	-	-	-
Total	331	(27)	304	303	(16)	286

Bury St Edmunds Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	131	-	131	126	(0)	126
Allotments	15	(19)	(5)	14	(19)	(5)
Civic costs	9	-	9	19	-	19
Community events	10	-	10	10	-	10

Bury St Edmunds Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
General services	121	-	121	121	-	121
Grants	337	-	337	320	-	320
Other expenses	30	-	30	29	-	29
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(53)	(53)	-	(51)	(51)
Total	653	(73)	580	639	(70)	570

Haverhill Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	309	(25)	284	324	(24)	300
Arts centre	751	(245)	505	701	(324)	378
Civic costs	24	(1)	23	24	(1)	23
Community events	151	(22)	129	174	(22)	152
General Services	436	(284)	153	-	-	-
Grants	153	-	153	114	-	114
Other expenses	15	(5)	10	488	(161)	326
Transfer to or from reserves	1	(117)	(117)	24	(253)	(228)
Total	1840	(700)	1140	1,849	(785)	1,064

Lakenheath Parish Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	48	-	48	39	-	39
Cemetery	34	(3)	31	33	(2)	31
Disused churchyard, memorials	14	-	14	10	-	10
General services	16	-	16	19	-	19
Grants	16	-	16	14	-	15
Leisure services	27	-	27	19	-	20
Other expenses	24	(16)	8	26	(10)	16
Street lighting	23	-	23	18	-	18
Village, memorial hall or other property	3	-	3	1	-	1
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(16)	(16)	-	(18)	(18)
Total	205	(35)	170	179	(30)	151

Mildenhall High Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	210	(20)	191	188	(29)	159
Allotments	1	(2)	(1)	1	(2)	(1)
Cemetery	4	(10)	(6)	2	(9)	(7)
Community events	25	(2)	23	27	(2)	25
Disused churchyard, memorials	1	-	1	2	-	2
General services	34	-	34	43	-	43
Grants	3	-	3	3	-	3

Mildenhall High Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Leisure services	-	-	-	5	(1)	4
Street lighting	37	-	37	33	-	33
Village, memorial hall or other property	50	(38)	12	43	(27)	16
Transfer to or from reserves	-	-	-	-	(41)	(41)
Total	365	(72)	294	347	(110)	237

Newmarket Town Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	344	(1)	343	322	(1)	321
Allotments	2	(1)	1	2	(1)	1
Cemetery	61	(51)	10	51	(51)	1
Civic costs	4	-	4	6	-	6
Community events	49	(15)	35	41	(14)	27
Disused churchyard, memorials	7	-	7	7	-	7
General services	135	(14)	122	107	(14)	93
Grants	8	-	8	8	-	8
Leisure services	58	(6)	52	54	(1)	53
Other expenses	11	-	11	10	-	10
Street lighting	21	-	21	17	-	17
Village, memorial hall or other property	123	(21)	102	134	(13)	122
Total	823	(108)	715	759	(94)	664

Red Lodge Parish Council	2022 to 2023			2021 to 2022		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	164	-	164	148	-	148
Community Events	1	-	1	-	-	-
Grants	5	-	5	5	-	5
Leisure services	18	(15)	3	12	(15)	(3)
Street lighting	2	-	2	2	-	2
Village, memorial hall or other property	12	-	12	12	-	12
Total	202	(15)	186	179	(15)	164