

Council Tax information

2024 to 2025

Where your Council Tax goes

In 2024 to 2025 people who live in West Suffolk will pay £125.56 million in Council Tax. This money goes to the following:

- Suffolk County Council gets £92.2 million (73.4 per cent of the total)
- The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk (OPCCS) gets £16.17 million (12.9 per cent of the total)
- West Suffolk Council gets £11.61 million (9.2 per cent of the total)
- Parish and town councils get £5.58 million (4.4 per cent of the total).

What you pay for services

The Council Tax payable by properties in West Suffolk for 2024 to 2025 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	£1,047.36	£183.72	£131.88	£1,362.96	£26.21
B	£1,221.92	£214.34	£153.86	£1,590.12	£30.58
C	£1,396.48	£244.96	£175.84	£1,817.28	£34.95
D	£1,571.04	£275.58	£197.82	£2,044.44	£39.32
E	£1,920.16	£336.82	£241.78	£2,498.76	£48.05
F	£2,269.28	£398.06	£285.74	£2,953.08	£56.79
G	£2,618.40	£459.30	£329.70	£3,407.40	£65.53
H	£3,142.08	£551.16	£395.64	£4,088.88	£78.63

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 £182.33 depending on where you live. The average bill for a Band D property will be £2,139.61 including all authorities.

Where the money comes from

	2024 to 2025 £ millions	2023 to 2024 £ millions
Council Taxpayers	(17.19)	(16.38)
Interest and investment income	(1.12)	(1.06)
Fees, charges and specific Government grants	(38.69)	(36.28)
Housing Benefits subsidy	(26.26)	(25.12)
Transfer from reserves	(6.07)	(5.49)
Business rates and Government grants	(21.56)	(16.28)
Total	(110.89)	(100.61)

How we spend the money

	2024 to 2025 £ millions	2022 to 2024 £ millions
Employee costs	36.35	35.35
Premises	10.11	7.58
Transport	2.10	1.57
Supplies and services	10.19	8.55
Third party payments	3.02	2.84
Parish and Town spending	5.58	4.73
Contributions to reserves	14.08	9.14
Borrowing and interest costs	2.42	2.27
Housing services	27.04	28.58
Total	110.89	100.61

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 2023 to 2024 and 2024 to 2025 for a dwelling in valuation Band D.

Parish	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Ampton, Timworth and Livermere	-	50.35	-	-	49.71	-
Bardwell	16,005	315.42	50.74	17,448	317.05	55.03
Barnardiston	-	59.19	-	-	59.59	-
Barnham	8,555	236.44	36.18	9,944	238.25	41.74
Barningham	34,758	350.01	99.31	40,000	350.11	114.25
Barrow cum Denham	28,243	783.74	36.04	28,583	777.47	36.76
Barton Mills	27,920	425.36	65.64	30,500	445.00	68.54
Beck Row	53,530	1,213.19	44.12	53,850	1,220.63	44.12
Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield	14,559	226.23	64.35	15,245	229.82	66.33
Bradfield St Clare	3,335	71.00	46.97	4,100	71.66	57.21
Bradfield St George	5,500	159.65	34.45	5,500	159.38	34.51
Brandon (and Wangford)	327,956	2,543.72	128.93	389,480	2,538.02	153.46
Brockley	8,866	131.19	67.58	9,308	133.70	69.62
Bury St Edmunds	603,029	14,256.01	42.30	609,059	14,518.34	41.95
Cavendish	27,500	426.00	64.55	29,650	434.37	68.26
Cavenham	800	63.60	12.58	840	65.94	12.74
Chedburgh	11,000	264.86	41.53	11,500	268.15	42.89
Chevington	7,808	270.59	28.86	8,050	275.52	29.22
Clare	116,490	873.76	133.32	122,315	875.24	139.75

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	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Coney Weston	9,710	172.19	56.39	10,676	171.60	62.21
Cowlinge	15,000	135.44	110.75	13,000	133.99	97.02
Culford West Stow and Wordwell	11,200	270.55	41.40	11,200	269.94	41.49
Dalham	7,579	118.42	64.00	7,580	120.01	63.16
Denston	100	49.98	2.00	400	51.42	7.78
Depden	2,800	87.04	32.17	2,900	88.51	32.76
Elveden	1,300	106.88	12.16	1,300	96.07	13.53
Eriswell	14,549	292.83	49.68	15,127	292.80	51.66
Euston	1,780	59.89	29.72	1,780	59.22	30.06
Exning	82,524	886.53	93.09	94,950	908.84	104.47
Fakenham Magna	4,333	62.35	69.49	4,541	61.05	74.38
Flempton-cum-Hengrave	7,500	150.46	49.85	10,000	152.70	65.49
Fornham All Saints	25,109	279.71	89.77	25,109	286.43	87.66
Fornham St Martin-cum-St Genevieve	29,605	495.07	59.80	32,331	494.68	65.36
Freckenham	14,906	145.09	102.74	15,800	146.46	107.88
Gazeley	20,500	278.50	73.61	20,500	283.55	72.30
Great and Little Whelnetham	12,920	384.60	33.59	13,953	386.13	36.14
Great Barton	33,570	953.62	35.20	32,578	954.00	34.15
Great Bradley	13,960	157.62	88.57	14,968	162.50	92.11
Great Livermere	8,239	81.64	100.92	9,365	82.87	113.01
Great Thurlow	6,900	83.12	83.01	6,900	91.43	75.47
Great Wratting	7,000	88.44	79.15	7,280	86.56	84.10
Hargrave	5,200	118.91	43.73	5,500	119.90	45.87

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	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Haverhill	1,364,232	7,780.90	175.33	1,445,073	7,925.59	182.33
Hawkedon	751	66.32	11.32	751	66.77	11.25
Hawstead	7,400	129.89	56.97	7,400	128.40	57.63
Hepworth	7,855	218.77	35.91	7,855	221.31	35.49
Herringswell	7,890	145.09	54.38	8,129	149.48	54.38
Higham	-	75.24	-	-	75.20	-
Honington-cum-Sapiston	21,930	311.66	70.37	22,259	312.61	71.20
Hopton cum Knettishall	8,316	262.18	31.72	8,587	254.25	33.77
Horringer	20,696	413.92	50.00	20,696	414.66	49.91
Hundon	23,060	442.91	52.06	25,220	448.99	56.17
Icklingham	9,651	152.37	63.34	11,452	149.48	76.61
Ickworth	304	8.62	35.27	304	8.67	35.06
Ingham	5,500	167.11	32.91	6,000	165.70	36.21
Ixworth cum Ixworth Thorpe	47,115	782.85	60.18	49,735	787.63	63.15
Kedington	85,576	684.09	125.09	88,746	688.77	128.85
Kentford	18,000	433.47	41.53	18,000	458.48	39.26
Lackford	5,727	104.42	54.85	5,947	103.51	57.45
Lakenheath	177,800	1,453.42	122.33	177,500	1,416.21	125.33
Lidgate	8,921	100.36	88.89	9,500	100.96	94.10
Little Bradley	-	18.80	-	-	18.91	-
Little Thurlow	10,651	105.17	101.27	10,951	108.48	100.95
Little Wratting	-	65.30	-	-	65.24	-
Market Weston	8,500	102.12	83.24	9,100	104.31	87.24
Mildenhall High Town	339,029	2,259.91	150.02	339,029	2,304.14	147.14

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	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Moulton	35,043	429.15	81.66	36,665	432.13	84.85
Newmarket	823,069	5,655.60	145.53	923,030	5,716.10	161.48
Nowton	3,769	67.60	55.75	4,514	66.13	68.26
Ousden	9,583	129.22	74.16	10,115	130.46	77.53
Pakenham	11,965	345.28	34.65	11,958	344.87	34.67
Poslingford	4,174	94.31	44.26	4,400	94.38	46.62
Red Lodge	202,135	1,824.45	110.79	225,650	1,851.78	121.86
Rede	1,463	55.41	26.40	1,463	57.52	25.43
Risby	15,847	299.46	52.92	16,755	302.04	55.47
Rushbrooke with Rougham	28,211	416.29	67.77	21,000	428.63	48.99
Santon Downham	7,698	91.52	84.11	8,140	92.17	88.32
Stansfield	8,182	93.24	87.75	8,851	100.87	87.75
Stanton	71,010	934.47	75.99	71,010	942.74	75.32
Stoke by Clare	18,822	223.53	84.20	23,648	223.65	105.74
Stradishall	9,644	175.09	55.08	12,327	173.56	71.02
The Saxhams	6,500	123.36	52.69	6,500	129.09	50.35
Thelnetham	1,800	100.98	17.83	1,800	100.75	17.87
Troston	14,000	272.43	51.39	17,500	280.74	62.34
Tuddenham St Mary	14,310	169.18	84.58	15,070	173.09	87.06
West Row	60,941	568.26	107.24	61,535	573.80	107.24
Westley	2,180	92.57	23.55	2,180	98.08	22.23
Whepstead	9,560	219.13	43.63	10,000	220.57	45.34
Wickhambrook	42,739	528.38	80.89	46,341	527.43	87.86
Withersfield	9,440	327.66	28.81	10,100	329.25	30.68

Parish	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Wixoe	800	63.09	12.68	800	65.66	12.18
Worlington	17,758	223.27	79.54	18,300	223.12	82.02
Total parish precepts	5,241,685			5,584,996		
Total taxbase		57,987.01			56,684.97	
Average Band D parish tax			90.39			95.17

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	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	210	-	210	232	-	232
Cemetery	19	(19)	0	20	(21)	(1)
Disused Churchyard or memorial	19	-	19	20	-	20
General services	15	-	15	15	-	15
Grants	43	-	43	43	-	43
Leisure services	11	-	11	11	-	11
Other expenses	14	-	14	14	-	14
Street lighting	48	-	48	48	-	48
Village, memorial hall or other property	9	-	9	9	(1)	8
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(40)	(40)	-	-	-
Total	388	(59)	328	412	(22)	389

Bury St Edmunds Town Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	173	-	173	192	(1)	191
Allotments	15	(19)	(4)	20	(19)	1
Civic costs	5	-	5	5	-	5
Community events	37	-	37	11	-	11
General services	105	-	105	36	-	136
Grants	183	-	183	157	-	157
Other expenses	101	-	101	107	-	107
Transfer to or from reserves		(6)	(6)	-	-	-
Total	628	(25)	603	629	(20)	609

Haverhill Town Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	311	(103)	208	331	(34)	297
Arts centre	841	(224)	617	877	(317)	560
Civic costs	21	(1)	20	15	(1)	14
Community events	140	(3)	137	126	(2)	124
General Services	469	(302)	167	585	(291)	294
Grants	276	-	276	170	-	170
Other expenses	5	(5)		5	-	5
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(61)	(61)	1	(20)	(19)
Total	2,063	(698)	1,364	2,111	(666)	1,445

Lakenheath Parish Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	47	-	47	43	-	43
Cemetery	34	(5)	29	20	(5)	15
Disused churchyard, memorials	10	-	10	10	-	10
General services	19	-	19	34	-	34
Grants	2	-	2	2	-	2
Leisure services	30	-	30	30	-	30
Other expenses	60	(18)	42	60	(20)	40
Street lighting	53	-	53	53	-	53
Village, memorial hall or other property	5	-	5	5	-	5
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(59)	(59)	-	(54)	(54)
Total	260	(82)	178	257	(79)	178

Mildenhall High Town Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	281	(20)	261	281	(20)	261
Allotments	1	(3)	2	1	(3)	(2)
Cemetery	3	(10)	(7)	3	(10)	(7)
Community events	32	(2)	31	32	(2)	30
Disused churchyard, memorials	1	-	1	1	-	1
General services	21	-	21	21	-	21

Mildenhall High Town Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Grants	3	-	3	3	-	3
Street lighting	39	-	39	39	-	39
Village, memorial hall or other property	37	(44)	(7)	37	(44)	(7)
Transfer to or from reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	418	(79)	339	418	(79)	339

Newmarket Town Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	425	(1)	424	409	(1)	408
Allotments	2	(1)	1	2	(1)	1
Cemetery	62	(52)	10	61	(52)	9
Civic costs	5	-	5	6	-	6
Community events	43	(2)	41	39	(1)	38
Disused churchyard, memorials	12	-	12	12	-	12
General services	149	(14)	135	226	(13)	213
Grants	10	-	10	16	-	16
Leisure services	55	(20)	35	49	(8)	41
Other expenses	11	-	11	27	-	27
Street lighting	26	-	26	36	-	36
Village, memorial hall or other property	136	(21)	115	137	(21)	116
Total	934	(111)	823	1,020	(97)	923

Red Lodge Parish Council	2023 to 2024			2024 to 2025		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	192	-	192	186	-	186
Community Events	1	-	1	1	-	1
Grants	4	-	4	8	-	8
Leisure services	12	(15)	3	12	-	12
Street lighting	2	-	2	2	-	2
Village, memorial hall or other property	6	-	6	12	-	12
Transfer to/from reserves	-	-	-	17	-	17
Total	217	(15)	202	226	-	226