

Council Tax information

2023 to 2024

Where your Council Tax goes

In 2023 to 2024 people who live in West Suffolk will pay £118.38 million in Council Tax. This money goes to the following:

- Suffolk County Council gets £86.77 million (73.3 per cent of the total)
- The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk (OPCCS) gets £15.23 million (12.9 per cent of the total)
- West Suffolk Council gets £11.14 million (9.4 per cent of the total)
- Parish and town councils get £5.24 million (4.4 per cent of the total).

What you pay for services

The Council Tax payable by properties in West Suffolk for 2023 to 2024 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	£997.62	£175.08	£128.04	£1,300.74	£25.01
B	£1,163.89	£204.26	£149.38	£1,517.53	£29.18
C	£1,330.16	£233.44	£170.72	£1,734.32	£33.35
D	£1,496.43	£262.62	£192.06	£1,951.11	£37.52
E	£1,828.97	£320.98	£234.74	£2,384.69	£45.86
F	£2,161.51	£379.34	£277.42	£2,818.27	£54.20
G	£2,494.05	£437.70	£320.10	£3,251.85	£62.54
H	£2,992.86	£525.24	£384.12	£3,902.22	£75.04

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 £175.33 depending on where you live. The average bill for a Band D property will be £2,041.50 including all authorities.

Where the money comes from

	2023 to 2024 £ millions	2022 to 2023 £ millions
Council Taxpayers	(16.38)	(15.10)
Interest and investment income	(1.06)	(0.29)
Fees, charges and specific Government grants	(36.28)	(33.90)
Housing Benefits subsidy	(25.12)	(27.58)
Transfer from reserves	(5.49)	(12.49)
Business rates and Government grants	(16.28)	(5.05)
Total	(100.61)	(94.41)

How we spend the money

	2023 to 2024 £ millions	2022 to 2023 £ millions
Employee costs	33.45	30.15
Premises	9.04	7.58
Transport	1.90	1.57
Supplies and services	8.61	8.55
Third party payments	2.72	2.84
Parish and Town spending	5.24	4.73
Contributions to reserves	12.26	9.14
Borrowing and interest costs	2.27	2.27
Housing services	25.12	27.58
Total	100.61	94.41

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 2022 to 2023 and 2023 to 2024 for a dwelling in valuation Band D.

Parish	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £	Parish precept £	Taxbase	Band D parish council tax £
Ampton, Timworth and Livermere	-	50.35	-	-	48.69	-
Bardwell	16,005	315.42	50.74	15,828	311.96	50.74
Barnardiston	-	59.19	-	-	58.31	-
Barnham	8,555	236.44	36.18	8,545	232.28	36.79
Barningham	34,758	350.01	99.31	34,758	350.38	99.20
Barrow cum Denham	28,243	783.74	36.04	26,692	755.50	35.33
Barton Mills	27,920	425.36	65.64	27,350	424.27	64.46
Beck Row	53,530	1,213.19	44.12	52,000	1,206.01	43.12
Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield	14,559	226.23	64.35	14,559	226.76	64.20
Bradfield St Clare	3,335	71.00	46.97	3,184	71.04	44.82
Bradfield St George	5,500	159.65	34.45	5,500	159.39	34.51
Brandon (and Wangford)	327,956	2,543.72	128.93	303,819	2,553.24	118.99
Brockley	8,866	131.19	67.58	8,866	132.49	66.92
Bury St Edmunds	603,029	14,256.01	42.30	579,974	13,710.95	42.30
Cavendish	27,500	426.00	64.55	27,450	424.99	64.59
Cavenham	800	63.60	12.58	800	63.31	12.64
Chedburgh	11,000	264.86	41.53	10,872	260.44	41.74
Chevington	7,808	270.59	28.86	7,377	273.18	27.00
Clare	116,490	873.76	133.32	105,900	875.29	120.99

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Coney Weston	9,710	172.19	56.39	8,740	172.15	50.77
Cowlinge	15,000	135.44	110.75	16,822	137.48	122.36
Culford West Stow and Wordwell	11,200	270.55	41.40	10,087	274.10	36.80
Dalham	7,579	118.42	64.00	7,029	131.89	53.29
Denston	100	49.98	2.00	600	56.74	10.57
Depden	2,800	87.04	32.17	2,700	89.34	30.22
Elveden	1,300	106.88	12.16	1,200	118.73	10.11
Eriswell	14,549	292.83	49.68	14,549	316.97	45.90
Euston	1,780	59.89	29.72	1,780	62.79	28.35
Exning	82,524	886.53	93.09	79,350	870.64	91.14
Fakenham Magna	4,333	62.35	69.49	3,974	61.63	64.48
Flempton-cum-Hengrave	7,500	150.46	49.85	7,500	147.95	50.69
Fornham All Saints	25,109	279.71	89.77	24,175	274.67	88.01
Fornham St Martin-cum-St Genevieve	29,605	495.07	59.80	29,285	489.70	59.80
Freckenham	14,906	145.09	102.74	14,385	140.01	102.74
Gazeley	20,500	278.50	73.61	16,600	282.61	58.74
Great and Little Whelnetham	12,920	384.60	33.59	12,035	388.72	30.96
Great Barton	33,570	953.62	35.20	33,587	953.97	35.21
Great Bradley	13,960	157.62	88.57	13,000	161.48	80.51
Great Livermere	8,239	81.64	100.92	7,500	83.26	90.08
Great Thurlow	6,900	83.12	83.01	6,900	87.89	78.51
Great Wratting	7,000	88.44	79.15	6,500	88.29	73.62
Hargrave	5,200	118.91	43.73	5,002	116.41	42.97

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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	1,139,918	7,671.05	148.60
Hawkedon	751	66.32	11.32	696	66.04	10.54
Hawstead	7,400	129.89	56.97	7,400	131.59	56.24
Hepworth	7,855	218.77	35.91	7,561	216.89	34.86
Herringswell	7,890	145.09	54.38	7,220	132.77	54.38
Higham	-	75.24	-	-	73.30	-
Honington-cum-Sapiston	21,930	311.66	70.37	21,300	305.74	69.67
Hopton cum Knettishall	8,316	262.18	31.72	8,043	256.94	31.30
Horringer	20,696	413.92	50.00	29,566	411.92	71.78
Hundon	23,060	442.91	52.06	20,905	440.58	47.45
Icklingham	9,651	152.37	63.34	8,900	153.67	57.92
Ickworth	304	8.62	35.27	434	8.33	52.10
Ingham	5,500	167.11	32.91	5,500	166.09	33.11
Ixworth cum Ixworth Thorpe	47,115	782.85	60.18	48,465	782.15	61.96
Kedington	85,576	684.09	125.09	81,570	680.30	119.90
Kentford	18,000	433.47	41.53	11,502	407.49	28.23
Lackford	5,727	104.42	54.85	5,385	105.23	51.17
Lakenheath	177,800	1,453.42	122.33	170,400	1,427.61	119.36
Lidgate	8,921	100.36	88.89	7,166	98.76	72.56
Little Bradley	-	18.80	-	-	18.42	-
Little Thurlow	10,651	105.17	101.27	10,969	106.71	102.79
Little Wratting	-	65.30	-	-	65.64	-
Market Weston	8,500	102.12	83.24	8,000	100.25	79.80
Mildenhall High Town	339,029	2,259.91	150.02	293,702	2,253.29	130.34

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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	32,384	431.54	75.04
Newmarket	823,069	5,655.60	145.53	715,210	5,611.06	127.46
Nowton	3,769	67.60	55.75	3,984	64.57	61.70
Ousden	9,583	129.22	74.16	8,504	122.66	69.33
Pakenham	11,965	345.28	34.65	12,180	342.17	35.60
Poslingford	4,174	94.31	44.26	4,174	94.44	44.20
Red Lodge	202,135	1,824.45	110.79	186,415	1,771.65	105.22
Rede	1,463	55.41	26.40	1,463	53.70	27.24
Risby	15,847	299.46	52.92	11,405	300.23	37.99
Rushbrooke with Rougham	28,211	416.29	67.77	19,380	644.10	30.09
Santon Downham	7,698	91.52	84.11	7,402	89.85	82.38
Stansfield	8,182	93.24	87.75	5,768	91.10	63.32
Stanton	71,010	934.47	75.99	73,710	937.35	78.64
Stoke by Clare	18,822	223.53	84.20	18,822	223.81	84.10
Stradishall	9,644	175.09	55.08	8,395	172.40	48.69
The Saxhams	6,500	123.36	52.69	6,000	123.07	48.75
Thelnetham	1,800	100.98	17.83	1,800	99.95	18.01
Troston	14,000	272.43	51.39	14,000	289.81	48.31
Tuddenham St Mary	14,310	169.18	84.58	14,310	164.39	87.05
West Row	60,941	568.26	107.24	59,451	568.13	104.64
Westley	2,180	92.57	23.55	2,180	93.00	23.44
Whepstead	9,560	219.13	43.63	9,560	224.84	42.52
Wickhambrook	42,739	528.38	80.89	38,413	509.33	75.42
Withersfield	9,440	327.66	28.81	9,440	327.21	28.85

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Wixoe	800	63.09	12.68	1,100	65.94	16.68
Worlington	17,758	223.27	79.54	17,893	263.38	67.94
Total parish precepts	5,241,685			4,734,719		
Total taxbase		57,987.01			57,406.34	
Average Band D parish tax			90.39			82.48

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			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	210	-	210	180	-	180
Cemetery	19	(19)	0	18	(17)	1
Disused Churchyard or memorial	19	-	19	18	-	18
General services	15	-	15	18	-	18
Grants	43	-	43	44	-	44
Leisure services	11	-	11	12	-	12
Other expenses	14	-	14	13	-	13
Street lighting	48	-	48	28	-	28
Village, memorial hall or other property	9	-	9	-	-	-
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(40)	(40)	-	(10)	-
Total	388	(59)	328	331	(27)	304

Bury St Edmunds Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	173	-	173	131	-	131
Allotments	15	(19)	(4)	15	(19)	(4)
Civic costs	5	-	5	9	-	9
Community events	37	-	37	10	-	10

Bury St Edmunds Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
General services	105	-	105	131	-	131
Grants	183	-	183	337	-	337
Other expenses	101	-	101	30	-	30
Transfer to or from reserves		(6)	(6)	-	(53)	(53)
Total	628	(25)	603	653	(71)	580

Haverhill Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	311	(103)	208	308	(25)	284
Arts centre	841	(224)	617	750	(245)	505
Civic costs	21	(1)	20	24	(1)	23
Community events	140	(3)	137	151	(22)	129
General Services	469	(302)	167	436	(284)	152
Grants	276	-	276	153	-	153
Other expenses	5	(5)		15	(5)	10
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(61)	(61)	1	(117)	(116)
Total	2,063	(698)	1,364	1,839	(699)	1,139

Lakenheath Parish Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	47	-	47	48	-	48
Cemetery	34	(5)	29	34	(3)	31
Disused churchyard, memorials	10	-	10	14	-	14
General services	19	-	19	16	-	16
Grants	2	-	2	16	-	16
Leisure services	30	-	30	27	-	27
Other expenses	60	(18)	42	24	(16)	8
Street lighting	53	-	53	23	-	23
Village, memorial hall or other property	5	-	5	3	-	3
Transfer to or from reserves	-	(59)	(59)	-	(16)	(16)
Total	260	(82)	178	205	(35)	170

Mildenhall High Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	281	(20)	261	210	(20)	191
Allotments	1	(3)	2	1	(2)	(1)
Cemetery	3	(10)	(7)	4	(10)	(6)
Community events	32	(2)	31	25	(2)	23
Disused churchyard, memorials	1	-	1	1	-	1
General services	21	-	21	34	-	34
Grants	3	-	3	3	-	3

Mildenhall High Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Street lighting	39	-	39	37	-	37
Village, memorial hall or other property	37	(44)	(7)	50	(38)	12
Transfer to or from reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	418	(79)	339	365	(72)	294

Newmarket Town Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	425	(1)	424	344	(1)	343
Allotments	2	(1)	1	2	(1)	1
Cemetery	62	(52)	10	61	(51)	10
Civic costs	5	-	5	4	-	4
Community events	43	(2)	41	49	(15)	35
Disused churchyard, memorials	12	-	12	7	-	7
General services	149	(14)	135	135	(14)	122
Grants	10	-	10	8	-	8
Leisure services	55	(20)	35	58	(6)	52
Other expenses	11	-	11	11	-	11
Street lighting	26	-	26	21	-	21
Village, memorial hall or other property	136	(21)	115	123	(21)	102
Total	934	(111)	823	823	(108)	715

Red Lodge Parish Council	2023 to 2024			2022 to 2023		
	Expenditure	Income	Net spend	Expenditure	Income	Net spend
	£ thousands			£ thousands		
Administration	192	-	192	164	-	164
Community Events	1	-	1	1	-	1
Grants	4	-	4	5	-	5
Leisure services	12	(15)	3	18	(15)	3
Street lighting	2	-	2	2	-	2
Village, memorial hall or other property	6	-	6	12	-	12
Total	217	(15)	202	202	(15)	186