

Your guide to Council Tax 2024/25





The Electoral Commission

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You now need Photo ID to vote at a Polling Station

Vote in the Local Elections and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections 2 May 2024

Voting at a polling station? Do you have your photo ID ready?

Make sure you are ready to vote in May by checking you have an accepted form of ID. Accepted forms of ID include:

- a UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport;
- a UK, EEA or Commonwealth drivers' licence;
- · cards with a PASS Mark;
- some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass.

Voters can use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.

A full list of acceptable ID can be found here: www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate

Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID can apply for free ID online at www.voterauthoritycertificate.service.gov.uk or by completing a paper form.

Visit www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID, call 0800 328 0280, or scan the QR code below to find out more.

Don't forget, you can also choose to vote by post!

Apply online at https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote or request a paper form by:

- Calling us on: 01482 300 302
- Emailing us at: electoral.services@hullcc.gov.uk



Introduction

This booklet accompanies your annual Council Tax bill. We have sent this to help explain how your Council Tax is spent. Your enclosed bill shows you how much you need to pay this year. It is based on the value of your home and the number of people who live there. We work hard to keep your Council Tax bill as low as possible and to ensure that we spend the money wisely on the things that are most important to you and the city.

The last couple of years have been extremely challenging. The cost of living crisis has had a huge impact on our residents and brought challenges to councils across the country.

On the following pages you'll find much more detail about the money the Council receives and how we plan to spend money in the year ahead.

This includes additional investment to support local high streets and make our communities cleaner, safer and greener.

The Council continues to provide residents with a huge range of services and, importantly, works hard to keep you safe whilst building for the future.

The Council Tax that we collect from households across the city only pays for 22% of the cost of running our services. The rest of our funding comes from the Government and other sources.

Unfortunately, an increase in Council Tax is necessary as it reflects the current economic environment and significant rising costs of delivering services. Each year, the Council agrees a budget for the year, and this sets the amount to be collected from your Council Tax.

Your enclosed bill will provide you with the details for your household and the following pages provide further explanation and details of where the money goes.

Further information

For more details about any of the information in this document visit our website hull.gov.uk/counciltax



Did you know that Hull City Council may provide more than 400 different services to you and your family?

WE PROVIDE CARE AND SUPPORT FOR MORE THAN

VULNERABLE ADULTS AND MORE THAN

3,500 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES







IN 2023, WE CLEANED

96,300

GULLIES



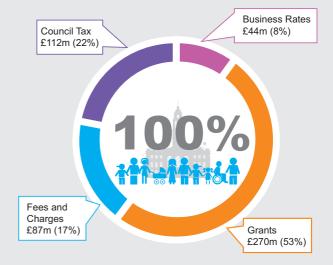
And much more!



How the Council is funded

22% of the Council's budget is funded by Council Tax. 78% of the funding comes from the Government and other sources.

Council Tax will rise by 4.99% in 2024/25.

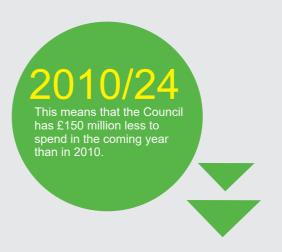


Reduced funding

Like many councils across the country, Hull City Council is having to make very difficult decisions about service provision and local Council Tax levels. Whilst demand for our services and the costs of providing them is increasing, particularly social care and our funding from Government, which makes up over half our budget, has decreased substantially in recent years.

Each year we publicise our annual statement of accounts. This will give you clear information about our finances.

We remain committed to balancing the needs of the city and our most vulnerable residents whilst ensuring every pound is spent wisely.



How we spend your **Band A Council Tax**

*Please remember that Council Tax only funds 22% of our costs.

Children's Social Care



Council Education Functions & Youth Services



Culture, Leisure & Tourism



Supporting Business & Creating Jobs



Public Health

Road Maintenance & Street Lighting



Public Transport







Adult Social Care





Communities





Treasury Management & Pensions



Street Cleansing, Waste Collection & Disposal



Environmental & Building Services



£41

Council Tax, Business Corporate Services Rates & Benefits



£18



£12

Total = £1,133

*Based on a Band A property for 2024/25. 89% of the properties in Hull are in Council Tax Band A & B. The total figure does not include the money you pay to support the Police & Fire Services.



What is the daily cost of delivering council services to the people of Hull each day?

Children's Social Care



Council Education Functions & Youth Services



Culture, Leisure & Tourism



Supporting Business & Creating Jobs



Public Health

Road Maintenance & Street Lighting



Public Transport



£26.000



£7.000



Adult Social Care





Parks & Open Spaces



Treasury Management & Pensions



Street Cleansing, Waste Collection & Disposal



£59.000

Environmental & Building Services



£34,000

Council Tax, Business Corporate Services Rates & Benefits



£15,000



£10,000

Total = £931,000**#YourCouncil**





Visit www.familyhubshull.org.uk

and access play and learning activities, family support, health services and more.



Are you missing out?



You may be able to get help to pay your Council Tax, to claim a Council Tax reduction go to www.hull.gov.uk/counciltaxhelp

Direct debit is the easiest way to pay your Council Tax, go to www.hull.gov.uk/ctaxwaystopay to find out how to set up a direct debit.





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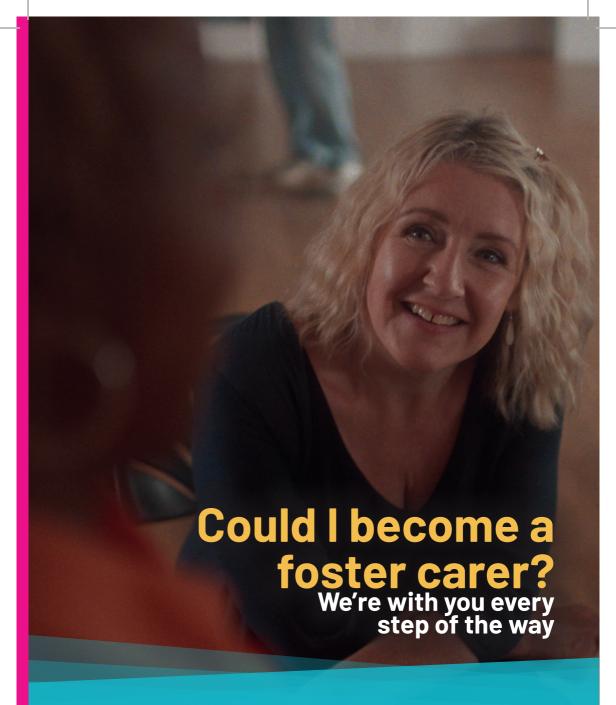


- Now quicker and easier to use
- More services online than ever before
- 24/7 chatbot assistance
- Features live advisor support*
- · Personalised bin checker
- Improved accessibility tools





*available Monday – Friday 9am – 4.30pm to answer questions.





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