

## Lincolnshire County Council, Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire & East Lindsey District Council

### **Council Tax Information Budget Summary Local Policing Summary**

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## Paying your bill

Are you paying too much Council Tax? The information in these factsheets about discounts, exemptions, people with disabilities and Council Tax Support is intended as a guide only. In most cases there are additional qualifying conditions to be met. Please check our website or contact us for further information.

### Contacting us about changes and corrections

Please tell us if:

- we've sent the bill to the wrong person
- you've moved house
- we've calculated your bill wrongly
- we've calculated your Council Tax Support wrongly
- you should receive a discount, an exemption, a disabled band reduction or Council Tax Support
- you should no longer receive a discount, an exemption, a disabled band reduction or as much Council Tax Support.

You must notify us of a change in circumstances within 21 days. Failure to do so could result in a penalty of £70 being imposed.

### Who gets the Council Tax?

East Lindsey District Council collects the Council Tax. However, we keep just over 8% of the charge. We pay the rest over to Lincolnshire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire and Parish and Town Councils.

### What is Council Tax and who has to pay?

Council Tax is a tax on people's homes. Council and police services are paid for by income from Government grants, Council Tax, fees and other charges. Owner occupiers and their partners usually have to pay the Council Tax bill. Where homes are rented, the tenants and their partners will have to pay. In the case of empty homes, it's normally the owner who has to pay. The owners of these properties have to pay too:

- residential care homes, nursing homes and hostels

- those occupied by:
  - a minister of religion or a religious community
  - more than one household
  - resident staff or asylum seekers.

Please contact us if you have been made the liable person and you believe this to be incorrect.

### Finding out more about your Council Tax band

The Valuation Office Agency maintains the Council Tax Valuation List. This includes placing new properties within a Council Tax band and changing bands for properties when necessary. Council Tax bands range from A to H. To understand why your property is in a certain band, please go to GOV.UK and search: 'How domestic properties are assessed for Council Tax bands'.

Band	Market Value (at April 1991)
A	Up to £40,000
B	£40,001 - £52,000
C	£52,001 - £68,000
D	£68,001 - £88,000
E	£88,001 - £120,000
F	£120,001 - £160,000
G	£160,001 - £320,000
H	More than £320,000

You can appeal against the valuation band if:

- it's within six months of you becoming the taxpayer
- the value changes because of demolition work, a conversion, a change of use or any other physical change to the property's location.

### You must carry on paying your Council Tax while your appeal is being considered.

For more information about valuation bands or appeals, contact: Valuation Office Agency, Durham Customer Service Centre, Wycliffe House, Green Lane, Durham, DH1 3UW  
Telephone: 03000 501501

Web: [www.voa.gov.uk](http://www.voa.gov.uk)

*If your initial appeal fails, you have further avenues of appeal, which will be explained to you by the Valuation Office Agency.*

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We are under a duty to protect the public funds we administer. We may use the information you provide for the prevention and detection of fraud. We may also share this information with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds for these purposes. Full details of how your information is used can be found on our website.

## Council Tax Discounts

You may be able to get a discount or, in some cases, a full exemption if no-one lives in the property.

### Empty Properties

- If your property is unfurnished and needs major repairs or is undergoing structural alterations to make it habitable, you might be entitled to a 25% discount for an Uninhabitable Property (up to 12 months).
- If your property is empty and unfurnished, you might be entitled to a 100% discount for up to 2 months.
- The time periods run from when the conditions for getting the discount are first met. These discounts can apply to an owner or tenant and do not start again when a property changes hands.

Properties empty longer than 2 years will be subject to a Long Term Empty Premium charge.

### Furnished Properties

- For furnished properties that are not used as anyone's home (we call these second homes), there is no discount and a full Council Tax is payable.

### Annexes

From April 2014, the Government introduced a 50% discount for family annexes.

This applies to an annexe (or similar self contained part of a home) which is occupied as part of the main home or is the main home of a relative of the Council Tax payer of the main home. To apply for this discount simply complete the application form.

The annexe may be exempt, meaning no Council Tax will be due, if:

- the relative occupying is aged 65 or over; or
- has a severe mental impairment; or
- is substantially and permanently disabled

- the annexe is unoccupied and subject to a planning condition, restricting who can occupy.

The discount is 50% and lasts for as long as all the conditions are met. You will need to provide confirmation you are using the annexe as part of your home and from what date, or details of the relatives relationship with you, their name and date of occupation. You must also advise us of any other address they live at and why you consider this annexe to be their main home.

### Occupied Properties

- You can get a 25% discount on your bill if there is only one person aged 18 or over living in your home. People under 18 are not included.
- For Council Tax purposes, people in one of the groups listed below are NOT included when counting the number of people living in your home. An application form and/or evidence will be required:
  - most full-time students, student nurses and some apprentices
  - the partner of a student or the dependant of a student who is not a British citizen and is not allowed to work in this country, or claim benefits
  - people who are long-term patients in hospital or who live in care homes
  - people who are severely mentally impaired
  - 18 and 19 year olds still eligible for child benefit
  - school and college leavers (from April to October if they are under 20 years old)
  - low-paid care workers (usually employed by charities)
  - residents of hostels for the homeless or night shelters
  - carers looking after someone who is not their partner and not a child of their own who is under 18 years old
  - members of religious communities
  - members of visiting armed forces and international institutions
  - diplomats

- people in prison (except for those in prison for non-payment of fines or Council Tax).
- people staying under the 'Homes for Ukraine' scheme

### Please contact us if:

- you think you should be getting a discount
- you are getting a discount and your circumstances have changed so that you should no longer get it.

## Local Council Tax Discounts

The Council does have the discretion to give local Council Tax discounts but it is likely that this would only be done in very unusual, exceptional or particularly deserving circumstances. The Section 13A 1(c) Policy, covering discretionary discounts, can be found on our website. Please see [www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/CouncilTaxReductions](http://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/CouncilTaxReductions) for our Discretionary Reduction policy. Contact us in writing, if you think this might be appropriate to you.

## Council Tax Exemptions

Generally, you don't have to pay Council Tax on the classes of property in this list because they are exempt. Some classes do have time limits though and you may have to pay a charge after the exemption runs out. Please note that time limits run from when the circumstances of the exempt class first started to apply, and they don't re-start if the property changes hands.

### These are the classes of exempt EMPTY property:

- Class B - owned by a charity (exempt for up to six months only)
- Class D - the tax payer is in prison (except for those in prison for non-payment of fines or Council Tax)
- Class E - the tax payer has left it to go and live in a care home
- Class F - the tax payer has died (exempt for up to six months after probate granted)
- Class G - can't be lived in by law
- Class H - held for a minister of religion
- Class I - the tax payer has gone to live elsewhere

to receive personal care

Class J - the tax payer has gone to live elsewhere to provide personal care

Class K - left empty by a student

Class L - the mortgagee has possession

Class Q - the tax payer is trustee to a bankrupt

Class R - unused caravan pitch or boat mooring

Class T - unoccupied annexe to an occupied property.

### These are the classes of exempt OCCUPIED property:

Class M - student halls of residence

Class N - all occupiers are students, school or college leavers or non-British dependants or partners of students

Class O - UK armed forces accommodation

Class P - visiting forces accommodation

Class S - all occupiers are under 18

Class U - all occupiers are severely mentally impaired

Class V - main residence of a person with diplomatic privilege or immunity

Class W - the annexe to a property occupied by a dependant relative.

### Please contact us if:

- you think your property should be exempt from Council Tax
- your circumstances have changed so that it should no longer be exempt.

## Long Term Empty Dwellings Premium

A premium charge of 100% will be added to Council Tax bills where the dwelling has been unoccupied and unfurnished between two and five years - taking the amount payable to 200% of the usual Council Tax.

Dwellings that have been empty between five and ten years, will be charged a premium of 200% - taking the amount payable to 300% of the usual bill.

From 1 April 2021 dwellings empty over ten years will be charged a premium of 300% - taking the amount payable to 400% of the usual bill.

## Furnished Dwellings Premium

The Council has decided that from 1 April 2025 it will be applying a 100% Premium charge to all furnished properties not occupied as anyone's main home. This will include second/holiday homes. The Council will contact all taxpayers affected by this during the course of the year.

## Penalties

**You must notify us of a change in circumstances within 21 days. Failure to do so could result in a penalty of £70 being imposed.**

## People with Disabilities

You can get your bill reduced by one valuation band if you have a second bathroom, a second kitchen, a special room or enough floor space to use a wheelchair indoors as long as the facility is necessary to meet the needs of anyone in the home who is disabled. We will ask you to renew your application each year if you qualify for this reduction.

**Please contact us if:**

- you think you should be getting a disabled band reduction
- your circumstances have changed so that you no longer need to receive the reduction.

## Council Tax Support

East Lindsey District Council's scheme for 2024/25 will continue to support working age customers on low income with up to 75% of their Council Tax Bill. This means that those customers will have to pay at least 25% of their Council Tax. If

you are working age and a care leaver, you will be entitled to 100% off your Council Tax Bill.

People of pension age, war pensioners and war widowers will continue to get the same level of support as they did previously.

Generally speaking, you can get Council Tax Support if any one of these applies:

- Universal Credit
- you are getting the Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit
- you are getting either Income Based Job Seeker's Allowance or Income Support
- the income you have, that we have to take into account, is low enough for you to qualify and your savings and investments are valued below £16,000.

Even if you own your own home and are working, you may still be able to get Council Tax Support. Please don't be put off from applying just because of the amount of information you have to provide - that's only necessary to stop fraud and to make sure we give you the right amount of help. To see if you might be entitled to help, please use our Council Tax Support Calculator on our website: <https://e-lindsey.entitledto.co.uk> - If you are likely to qualify please make your claim at [www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/CTS](http://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/CTS). If you are unable to make a claim online please contact us.

## Are you finding it hard to pay?

This factsheet contains information about many discounts, exemptions, banding reductions and benefits that can help to reduce your bill. We can advise further on any of these schemes. If you don't qualify or are already receiving some help, and are still finding it hard to pay, contact us on 01507 601111 as soon as possible to discuss your payments.

Details of what support is available, and how to access it, can be found on our webpage [www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/costofliving](http://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/costofliving)

### Your Council Tax this year 2024/25

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
<b>COUNTY</b>	£1,052.46	£1,227.87	£1,403.28	£1,578.69	£1,929.51	£2,280.33	£2,631.15	£3,157.38
<b>POLICE</b>	£202.80	£236.60	£270.40	£304.20	£371.80	£439.40	£507.00	£608.40
<b>ELDC</b>	£111.06	£129.57	£148.08	£166.59	£203.61	£240.63	£277.65	£333.18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,366.32</b>	<b>£1,594.04</b>	<b>£1,821.76</b>	<b>£2,049.48</b>	<b>£2,504.92</b>	<b>£2,960.36</b>	<b>£3,415.80</b>	<b>£4,098.96</b>
<b>Households per band in East Lindsey</b>	27794	15268	16122	6850	3743	1439	586	56

Please see the front of your bill, or Factsheet 4.1 - 4.2, for the parish amounts which are charged in addition to the figures above. The council tax attributable to Lincolnshire County Council includes an additional precept to fund adult social care.

### District Council Finance

#### What services the money is spent on



#### Income coming into services



**Your District Council Tax goes towards paying for the following**

Service Expenditure	Gross Spend	Income	Net Spend	Percentage Spend	Percentage Income
	£000	£000	£000		
Corporate	1,727	(59)	1,668	1.73%	0.09%
Economic Growth	62	(2,870)	(2,808)	0.06%	4.45%
Finance	61,550	(41,470)	20,080	61.71%	64.26%
General Fund Assets	7,972	(7,198)	775	7.99%	11.15%
Governance	1,231	(66)	1,165	1.23%	0.10%
Leisure & Culture	2,442	(106)	2,336	2.45%	0.16%
Neighbourhoods	6,271	(2,117)	4,154	6.29%	3.28%
Planning & Strategic Infrastructure	2,418	(1,409)	1,009	2.42%	2.18%
Parish Precepts	3,739		3,739	3.75%	
Regulatory	3,076	(2,154)	922	3.08%	3.34%
Strategic Growth & Development	2,358	(2,374)	(17)	2.36%	3.68%
Wellbeing & Community Leadership	6,894	(4,714)	2,180	6.91%	7.30%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>99,740</b>	<b>(64,537)</b>	<b>35,203</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
Government Grants			(3,927)		
Retained Business Rates			(19,535)		
Surplus on Council Tax Collection Fund			(134)		
Met by District & Parish Council Tax			11,607		

**Total Council Tax Budget Requirement**

2023/24 Net Expenditure		2024/25 Net Expenditure	
£7,496,378	District Council Tax Requirement	£7,866,713	7.83%
£3,439,818	Parish Council tax Requirement	£3,739,313	3.72%
£69,733,849	Lincolnshire County Council Tax Requirement	£74,548,899	74.16%
£13,506,837	Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire	£14,364,932	14.29%
<b>£94,176,882</b>	<b>Total cost met by Council Taxpayers</b>	<b>£100,519,858</b>	
£688.93	Total cost per head of population 136,700	£735.33	

## Local Internal Drainage Boards (IDBs)

The following IDBs operate in ELDC:

- Witham Fourth District IDB - [www.w4idb.co.uk](http://www.w4idb.co.uk)
- Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board - [www.wmc-idbs.org.uk](http://www.wmc-idbs.org.uk)
- Witham Third District IDB - [www.witham3idb.gov.uk](http://www.witham3idb.gov.uk)

Their primary role is to manage water levels and reduce the risk from flooding within their districts. Much of their work involves the maintenance and improvement of watercourses and related infrastructure such as pumping stations, weirs, sluices, culverts and embankments within their drainage districts. IDBs are not however, responsible for watercourses designated as main rivers within their drainage districts; the supervision of these watercourses is undertaken by the Environment Agency.

The majority of IDB districts require pumping to some degree for water level management, the rest are reliant on gravitational flows to main rivers and estuaries. The Fens around Boston and Skegness are very flat and sit at or below sea-level, so our local IDBs have several pumping stations to lift water over the sea or river defences.

IDBs have to conduct their work in accordance with a number of environmental duties and aim to promote sustainability and the ecological wellbeing within their districts. Every IDB has its own Biodiversity Action Plan and strives to maintain watercourses as sympathetically as possible.

The expenses of an IDB are predominantly funded by the local beneficiaries of the water level management work they provide:

- Drainage rates collected from agricultural land and buildings within the Internal Drainage District.
- Special Levies issued on District and Unitary Authorities within the Internal Drainage District.

Local IDBs have been very successful in securing grants to assist with the funding of capital and environmental works projects via Flood Defence Grant in Aid (FDGiA) from DEFRA. For example, Witham Fourth District IDB will deliver a £7M new pumping station at Wrangle in 2024 and a £58M replacement pumping station at the end of Hobhole Drain is currently being planned for construction by 2027. This funding would have to fall to local ratepayers should grant funding not be available.



## Parish Precepts

Additional amounts have been set for the precepts of Local Councils. A parish precept is the amount that a Parish or Town Council has formally set to be collected for the purposes of its own expenditure. The following table shows the precept to be collected on behalf of each Parish and the average Band D charge. Different banded properties may pay a higher or lower amount than shown below. If your Parish is not included in this table, then there is no additional amount for you to pay.

Parish	Precept 23/24	24/25 Taxbase	Precept 24/25	Band D 24/25
Aby & Greenfield	£1,800	61	£2,000	£32.79
Addlethorpe	£6,211	114	£6,195	£54.34
Alford	£189,922	1,117	£215,766	£193.17
Alvingham	£2,385	106	£2,385	£22.50
Anderby	£6,300	160	£6,615	£41.34
Ashby & Scremby	£0	61	£0	£0.00
Asterby Group	£1,980	126	£3,384	£26.86
Aswardby	£0	22	£0	£0.00
Authorpe	£0	42	£0	£0.00
Baumber	£3,112	64	£3,268	£51.06
Beesby & Saleby	-£198	76	-£198	-£2.61
Belchford Group	£3,100	149	£3,100	£20.81
Belleau	£0	10	£0	£0.00
Benninworth	£1,500	81	£2,000	£24.69
Bilsby Group	£3,800	177	£3,800	£21.47
Binbrook	£18,360	311	£19,320	£62.12
Bolingbroke	£11,424	140	£11,424	£81.60
Brackenborough Group	£0	37	£0	£0.00
Brinkhill	£0	46	£0	£0.00
Bucknall Group	£2,000	135	£2,100	£15.56
Burgh le Marsh	£77,468	894	£81,069	£90.68
Burgh on Bain	£0	46	£0	£0.00
Burwell	£0	26	£0	£0.00
Calcethorpe	£0	21	£0	£0.00
Candlesby & Gunby	£0	55	£0	£0.00
Carrington	£10,000	185	£15,000	£81.08
Chapel St	£141,498	1,272	£141,498	£111.24
Leonards				
Claxby & Moorby	£0	21	£0	£0.00
Claythorpe	£0	8	£0	£0.00
Coningsby	£130,000	1,298	£143,000	£110.17
Conisholme	£0	23	£0	£0.00
Covenham Group	£8,934	157	£9,206	£58.64
Croft	£12,262	315	£13,488	£42.82
Cumberworth	£0	40	£0	£0.00
Donington on Bain	£10,000	128	£10,000	£78.13
E & W Barkwith	£11,600	169	£12,500	£73.96
East Keal	£2,500	148	£8,993	£60.76
East Kirkby	£3,250	100	£3,500	£35.00
Eastville, Midville & New Leake	£15,000	189	£16,000	£84.66

Parish	Precept 23/24	24/25 Taxbase	Precept 24/25	Band D 24/25
Edlington Group	£0	58	£0	£0.00
Elkington (N & S)	£2,000	108	£2,053	£19.01
Firsby Group	£4,400	388	£4,400	£11.34
Fotherby	£9,089	156	£9,544	£61.18
Friskney	£18,000	466	£18,000	£38.63
Frithville Group	£8,600	222	£9,500	£42.79
Fulstow	£4,100	220	£4,400	£20.00
Gayton le Marsh	£700	49	£700	£14.29
Gayton le Wold	£0	17	£0	£0.00
Grainthorpe	£4,641	228	£4,045	£17.74
Grt & Lti Carlton	£1,000	101	£1,000	£9.90
Great Sturton	£0	17	£0	£0.00
Greetham Group	£0	70	£0	£0.00
Grimoldby & Manby	£22,542	657	£20,283	£30.87
Hagworthingham	£7,324	156	£7,324	£46.95
Hainton	£0	32	£0	£0.00
Hallington	£0	14	£0	£0.00
Halham	£0	50	£0	£0.00
Halton Hologate	£4,500	158	£4,750	£30.06
Hameringham	£0	31	£0	£0.00
Hannah cum Hagnaby	£0	20	£0	£0.00
Harrington	£0	22	£0	£0.00
Hatton	£0	47	£0	£0.00
Hemingby	£2,878	100	£3,020	£30.20
High Toynton	£0	26	£0	£0.00
Hogsthorpe	£11,523	284	£11,870	£41.80
Holton le Clay	£72,427	1,293	£76,773	£59.38
Horncastle	£241,952	2,527	£267,728	£105.95
Horsington	£4,000	93	£4,200	£45.16
Hundley	£5,000	180	£7,500	£41.67
Huttoft	£7,290	192	£8,435	£43.93
Ingoldmells	£49,350	519	£51,818	£99.84
Keddington	£0	55	£0	£0.00
Kirby on Bain	£5,400	128	£7,500	£58.59
Langrville	£10,500	139	£11,550	£83.09
Langton by Horncastle	£0	14	£0	£0.00
Langton by Wragby	£0	35	£0	£0.00
Langton/Sutterby	£0	18	£0	£0.00
Legbourne	£6,414	285	£6,480	£22.74
Little Cawthorpe	£4,750	76	£4,750	£62.50

## Parish Precepts

Parish	Precept 23/24	24/25 Taxbase	Precept 24/25	Band D 24/25
Louth	£300,082	5,700	£309,032	£54.22
Low Toynton	£0	15	£0	£0.00
Ludborough	£3,696	93	£3,500	£37.63
Ludford	£4,750	154	£4,750	£30.84
Lusby & Winceby	£0	33	£0	£0.00
Mablethorpe Group	£641,463	4,000	£683,893	£170.97
Maidenwell	£0	20	£0	£0.00
Maltby le Marsh	£4,500	150	£4,600	£30.67
Mareham le Fen	£12,320	343	£15,646	£45.62
Mareham on the Hill	£0	36	£0	£0.00
Markby	£0	21	£0	£0.00
Market Stainton	£0	13	£0	£0.00
Marshchapel	£12,248	249	£12,342	£49.57
Mavis Enderby	£0	32	£300	£9.38
Minting & Gautby	£5,500	118	£5,800	£49.15
Muckton	£0	13	£0	£0.00
Mumby	£6,300	153	£7,382	£48.25
North	£350	69	£350	£5.07
Cockerington				
North Cotes	£9,000	191	£9,000	£47.12
North Ormsby	£0	17	£0	£0.00
North Somercotes	£41,796	570	£44,000	£77.19
North Thoresby	£38,000	466	£38,000	£81.55
Orby	£2,765	147	£2,903	£19.75
Partney & Dalby	£5,760	102	£5,760	£56.47
Raithby	£0	57	£0	£0.00
Raithby cum Maltby	£0	28	£0	£0.00
Reston (N & S)	£0	66	£0	£0.00
Revesby	£2,500	81	£2,500	£30.86
Rigsby & Ailby	£0	7	£0	£0.00
Roughton	£3,240	248	£3,600	£14.52
Salfleetby Group	£9,000	199	£9,000	£45.23
Sausthorpe	£0	36	£0	£0.00
Scamblesby	£2,365	106	£2,600	£24.53
Scrivelsby	£0	16	£0	£0.00
Sibsey	£72,200	714	£100,000	£140.06
Skegness	£617,375	5,940	£680,266	£114.52
Skendleby	£0	56	£0	£0.00
Skidbrooke Group	£7,750	190	£8,000	£42.11
Sotby	£0	25	£0	£0.00
South	£1,000	89	£1,000	£11.24
Cockerington				
South Ormsby	£0	29	£0	£0.00
South	£4,200	72	£4,410	£61.25
Somercotes				
South Willingham	£990	65	£1,040	£15.99
Spilsby	£140,625	904	£151,172	£167.23
Stenigot	£0	11	£0	£0.00
Stewton	£0	21	£0	£0.00
Stickford	£4,152	166	£5,750	£34.64

Parish	Precept 23/24	24/25 Taxbase	Precept 24/25	Band D 24/25
Stickney	£23,000	370	£25,000	£67.57
Strubby Group	£810	62	£875	£14.11
Swaby Group	£3,224	114	£3,430	£30.09
Tathwell/ Haugham	£3,505	103	£4,043	£39.25
Tattershall Group	£25,800	861	£33,472	£38.88
Tetford	£7,130	220	£7,487	£34.03
Tetney	£22,000	762	£32,500	£42.65
Theddlethorpe	£9,504	233	£9,504	£40.79
Thimbleby	£4,437	95	£5,276	£55.54
Thornton le Fen	£3,035	119	£3,339	£28.05
Thorpe St Peter	£2,021	107	£2,100	£19.63
Toynton All Saints	£3,800	145	£4,200	£28.97
Toynton St Peter	£2,950	79	£3,150	£39.87
Turnby	£1,000	63	£1,000	£15.87
Ulceby & Fordington	£0	44	£0	£0.00
Utterby	£8,844	143	£8,844	£61.85
Wainfleet All Saints	£41,433	471	£41,433	£87.97
Wainfleet St Mary	£0	280	£0	£0.00
Walmsgate	£0	6	£0	£0.00
Well	£0	34	£0	£0.00
Welton le Marsh	£4,508	87	£5,661	£65.07
Welton le Wold	£295	58	£290	£5.00
West Ashby	£2,900	97	£2,900	£29.90
West Fen	£0	38	£0	£0.00
West Keal	£4,345	116	£5,000	£43.10
West Torrington	£600	28	£600	£21.43
Wildmore	£7,769	178	£8,960	£50.34
Willoughby & District	£8,219	212	£8,219	£38.77
Withcall	£0	23	£0	£0.00
Withern & Stain	£3,158	128	£3,220	£25.16
Wood Enderby	£0	60	£0	£0.00
Woodhall Spa	£82,915	1,804	£89,548	£49.64
Woodhall/ Stixwold	£0	93	£0	£0.00
Wragby	£26,100	681	£29,632	£43.51
Wyham cum Cadeby	£0	14	£0	£0.00
Yarburgh	£0	58	£0	£0.00
Ranby	£0	24	£0	£0.00

# Investing in our communities

Lincolnshire County Council

## Investing in our communities despite financial challenges

This year the council will spend around £650m on a wide range of vital services, including £206m for adult care and community wellbeing, £114m for children's services and around £25m for the fire service.

Following additional, one-off funding from the government, the authority recently announced a further £7.8m of investment in a number of priority areas, including £3.3m to better prepare and protect communities from flooding.

There's also £2.5m for additional highways maintenance, £1m for reducing anti-social behaviour and £1m for environment-related work.

The council faces £68m in additional cost pressures from rising prices and increased demand for services, such as adult care, child protection and school transport. This includes around £6m to fund an increase in the national living wage.

The authority has managed to find around £16m in savings. Although the extra one-off funding from the government has helped to balance the budget for 2024/25, the council still faces a projected funding shortfall over the next few years.

The council will continue to push government for long-term solutions to fairer funding, the resetting of business rates and the sustainability of adult care. It will also continue to work towards a devolution deal for Greater Lincolnshire, giving local areas more control over funding.

You can find full details on this year's budget on the council's website at

[www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/budget](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/budget)

## Council tax

The authority's funding comes from a combination of council tax, business rates and government grants.

In light of increasing costs and demand for services, the council will increase its share of the council tax by 4.99% this year.

The increase is shown on your bill and will generate an extra £18.1m for the council. For a property in council tax band A, the increase would be the equivalent of an extra 96p per week.

Lincolnshire is still expected to have one of the lowest council tax rates of all 26 English shire counties.



# Changes in budget requirement

Lincolnshire County Council

Reasons for change in budget requirement and effect on council tax		£m
<b>Budget requirement 2023/24</b>		<b>604.3</b>
Changes to gross expenditure	Children's Social Care pressures	13.3
	Adult Social Care pressures	32.7
	Highways Contract cost increases	3.0
	Transport pressures	3.2
	Pay Award inflation	8.8
	Other pressures	6.8
Changes to gross income	Waste Management savings	-1.6
	Energy savings	-4.5
	Other Service savings and increased income	-9.9
	Increase in Service grants	-10.3
<b>Total change in services</b>		<b>41.5</b>
<b>Decrease in use of reserves</b>		<b>8.3</b>
<b>Budget requirement 2024/25</b>		<b>654.1</b>
Changes to funding	Increase in business rates funding	-11.3
	Increase in government grants	-15.8
	Increase in council tax	-22.7
<b>Total change in funding</b>		<b>-49.9</b>
Council tax increase of 2.0% (Adult social care precept) to support adult social care pressures		
Council tax increase of 3.0% (general) to support other service net pressures		
Total council tax increase of 5.0% (4.99%)		

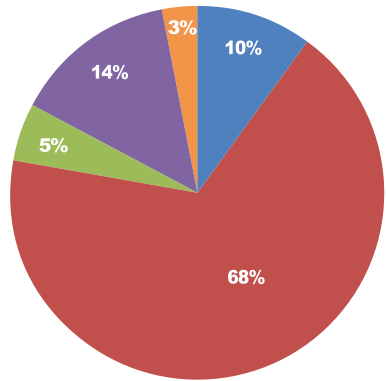
**Note:** The use of a minus (-) in front of a figure shows that either additional income will be received or that reserves will be used to support our spending.

# Capital investment & net budget spend 2024/25

Lincolnshire County Council

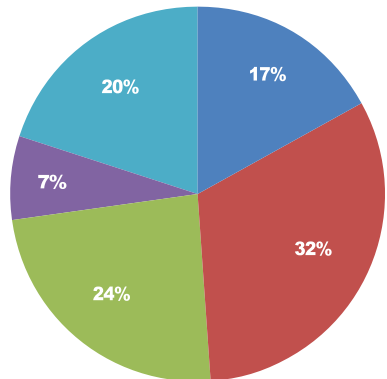
## 2024/25 Capital Investment £145m

- Children's Services - **£13.93m, 10%**
- Place - **£98.70m, 68%**
- Fire and Rescue - **£7.68m, 5%**
- Resources & Corporate - **£19.97m, 14%**
- New Developments - **£4.43m, 3%**



## 2024/25 Net Budget Spend £654m

- Children's Services - **£113.7m, 17%**
- Adult Care and Community Wellbeing - **£205.6m, 32%**
- Place - **£159.7m, 24%**
- Capital Financing Charges - **£43.2m, 7%**
- Other Services - **£132m, 20%**



**Children's Services includes:** Children's Social Care and Children's Education.

**Adult Care and Community Wellbeing Includes:** Adult Frailty & Long Term Conditions, Adult Specialities, Public Health & Community Wellbeing, Public Protection.

**Place includes:** Communities, Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Growth and Highways.

**Other Services includes:** Fire and Rescue, Resources, Corporate Services, Other Budgets.

# Our share of the council tax

Lincolnshire County Council

The table below shows the amount you pay towards Lincolnshire County Council's services. (This does not include the amounts you pay for district councils, parish councils or the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire).

	Amount 2023/2024	Amount 2024/2025
Band <b>A</b>	£1,002.42	£1,052.46
Band <b>B</b>	£1,169.49	£1,227.87
Band <b>C</b>	£1,336.56	£1,403.28
Band <b>D</b>	£1,503.63	£1,578.69
Band <b>E</b>	£1,837.77	£1,929.51
Band <b>F</b>	£2,171.91	£2,280.33
Band <b>G</b>	£2,506.05	£2,631.15
Band <b>H</b>	£3,007.26	£3,157.38

## Flood defence

The Environment Agency is responsible for protecting people and property against flooding from sea and rivers. The majority of its funding comes from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), but Lincolnshire County Council is also making a contribution of £0.687m for 2024/25 (£0.670m for 2023/24).

# Funding and spending in 2024/25

Lincolnshire County Council

Services	Gross £m	Income £m	Net £m	Cost per Resident £
Children's Services	974.8	861.1	113.7	144.4
Adult Care & Community Wellbeing	396.6	191.0	205.6	261.2
Place	203.5	43.8	159.7	202.8
Capital Projects Charges	43.4	0.3	43.1	54.7
Other Services	161.9	29.9	132.0	167.7
<b>Total planned spending</b>	<b>1,780.1</b>	<b>1,126.0</b>	<b>654.1</b>	<b>830.8</b>
Contributions to/-from reserves	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
<b>Budget requirement</b>	<b>1,780.1</b>	<b>1,126.0</b>	<b>654.1</b>	<b>830.8</b>
<b>Resourced by:</b>				
Business Rates Local Retention			152.7	
Revenue Support Grant			26.4	
Other Grants			86.8	
<b>County Precept</b>			<b>388.3</b>	
<b>Total Funding</b>			<b>654.1</b>	

**Children's Services includes:** Children's Social Care and Children's Education.

**Adult Care and Community Wellbeing includes:** Adult Frailty & Long Term Conditions, Adult Specialties, Public Health & Community Wellbeing, Public Protection.

**Place includes:** Communities (which includes Cultural Services, Waste Management, Environment and Flood Management, Transport (including Home to School/College), Sustainable Planning), Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Growth and Highways.

**Other Services includes:** Fire and Rescue, Resources, Corporate Services, Other Budgets.

# Funding and spending in 2023/24

Lincolnshire County Council

Services	Gross £m	Income £m	Net £m	Cost per Resident £
Children's Services	878.9	781.5	97.4	126.6
Adult Care & Community Wellbeing	363.7	185.9	177.8	231.0
Place	183.0	39.7	143.3	186.2
Capital Projects Charges	43.4	0.3	43.1	56.0
Other Services	178.7	28.3	150.4	195.5
<b>Total planned spending</b>	<b>1,647.6</b>	<b>1,035.7</b>	<b>612.0</b>	<b>795.2</b>
Contributions to/-from reserves	-7.5	0.0	-7.5	N/A
<b>Budget requirement</b>	<b>1,640.1</b>	<b>1,035.7</b>	<b>604.4</b>	<b>795.2</b>
<b>Resourced by:</b>				
Business Rates Local Retention			141.4	
Revenue Support Grant			23.4	
Other Grants			74.0	
<b>County Precept</b>			<b>365.6</b>	
<b>Total Funding</b>			<b>604.4</b>	

The Secretary of State made an offer to adult social care authorities. ("Adult social care authorities" are local authorities which have functions under Part 1 of the Care Act 2014, namely county councils in England, district councils for an area in England for which there is no county council, London borough councils, the Common Council of the City of London and the Council of the Isles of Scilly.)

The offer was the option of an adult social care authority being able to charge an additional "precept" on its council tax without holding a referendum, to assist the authority in meeting its expenditure on adult social care from the financial year 2016-17. It was originally made in respect of the financial years up to and including 2019-20. If the Secretary of State chooses to renew this offer in respect of a particular financial year, this is subject to the approval of the House of Commons."

The offer has been extended to cover the financial years 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.



# Your police Council Tax explained 2024



**Lincolnshire  
POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**  
SAFER TOGETHER

# How your council tax will be spent on fighting crime and keeping communities safe



**Police and Crime Commissioner Marc Jones and Chief Constable Paul Gibson explain how the extra council tax raised this year will be invested in front line policing to keep you and your community safe.**

## **This extra money will be dedicated to:**

- Maximising the number of police officers in the Force
- New approach to preventing and tackling anti-social behaviour to improve safety for all residents
- Explore and exploit emerging technologies such as facial recognition to identify and apprehend criminals faster than ever before
- Expand the successful Roads Policing “Operation Stronghold” – denying criminals use of the roads and keeping our communities even safer
- Develop and use targeted approaches and teams to tackle issues such as summertime demand, rural crime, burglary and retail crime
- Introduce rapid video technology – speeding up engagement with victims of crime, getting them the help they need even faster
- Transform availability and quality of crime prevention advice and guidance to help keep communities safe from crime
- Build on crime reduction results in local neighbourhoods, developing new ways to target organised criminality and drug supply in our communities



Great strides have been made in Lincolnshire to create a police force to be proud of; one that prevents and tackles crime and continues to evolve to meet new crime types and challenges to keep us all safe. A debt of gratitude is owed to county tax payers for supporting that development.

Without the financial backing of residents, prudent financial planning and investment in innovation and new technology we would not have the effective and efficient police force of today.

Last year that support meant the PCC funded the maximising of officer numbers, additional 999/101 call handlers, more specialists to tackle the worst of crimes and invest in a new deployment model, so more officers are available when they are needed most to tackle and reduce crime.

However, we must do more to protect and serve our communities.

The PCC has appointed a new Chief Constable, Paul Gibson, who is eager to build on current successes and make Lincolnshire communities even safer.

For next year the planned budget for the Chief Constable will be £160m – up from £146m the previous year.

The PCC and the Chief Constable both recognise the financial challenges ahead and are experienced in meeting them. They are committed to managing the Lincolnshire Police finances effectively and efficiently.

Government has committed to changing the national funding method for policing but it is unclear when any changes would take place.

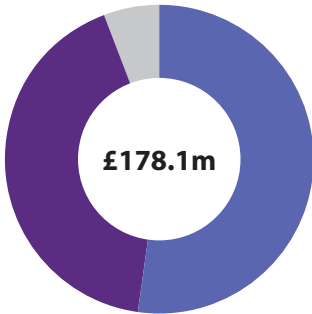
Any changes that are delivered would be phased over a number of years leaving the tough financial challenges still to be met and managed locally.

However, Lincolnshire has a history of meeting challenges head on with determination and innovation and the dedication to keeping the county's communities safe will continue.



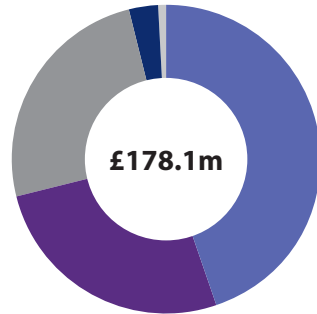
# What money do we receive and how is it spent?

## INCOME



- **Government grants**  
£93.1m (52.3%)
- **Council tax** £74.8m (42%)
- **Contribution from reserves and other income** £10.2m (5.7%)




## EXPENDITURE



- **Police officers** £80m (44.9%)
- **Police staff and PCSOs** £46.8m (26.3%)
- **Other costs\*** £44.6m (25%)
- **Capital financing** £5.3m (3%)
- **Office of the PCC** £1.4m (0.8%)

*\*including custody, fleet, premises and regional collaboration*

Property band	Cost last year (£)	Increase this year (£)	Cost this year (£)	Cost per week this year (£)	Increase per week (pence)
A	194.16	8.64	202.80	3.90	17
B	226.52	10.08	236.60	4.55	19
C	258.88	11.52	270.40	5.20	22
D	291.24	12.96	304.20	5.85	25
E	355.96	15.84	371.80	7.15	30
F	420.68	18.72	439.40	8.45	36
G	485.40	21.60	507.00	9.75	42
H	582.48	25.92	608.40	11.70	50

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