What does my council tax pay for?

Council Tax pays for a range of services provided by the organisations listed below. These services include schools, street repairs, parks and leisure facilities and refuse collection. Financial details for each are available by clicking on the boxes. Full details of the services provided are shown on the individual web sites.



In basic terms the amount of council tax payable in respect of a property is calculated as follows:

- The total cost of providing the required local services is calculated
- This figure is then divided by the number of properties in the district
- The result is adjusted to take account of the different council tax bands in which properties are placed

The actual calculation is obviously much more complex than this example. If you want more information on Council Tax calculations please email revenues@stratford-dc.gov.uk

The Council Tax charged on a property is in two parts: 50% is associated with the property and 50% reflects the occupants or owners of the property.

We'll send you an annual bill every March and this will show the names of the people we believe are legally responsible to pay the bill.

If more than one person is responsible for paying the bill, each person will be liable for the whole amount, not just a share of it. This is called joint and several liability.

So, if two people are responsible, and one doesn't pay their share, the other person will be liable to pay the full amount.

Council tax base

In order to calculate the Council Tax payable per property we require the tax base, i.e. the number of properties against which the tax can be collected. The total of the Band D equivalent is then multiplied by the collection rate to give a Council Tax Base.

Where your District Council spends its money

EXPENDITURE	2022/23 000's	2023/24 000's
Housing Benefit	18,111	18,315
Housing	1,897	2,008
Recreation and Tourism	985	826
Grounds Maintenance	763	776
Parking Off Street	1,609	1,734
Planning	5,177	5,653
Environmental Health	1,527	1,684
Street Cleansing	1,731	1,504
Refuse Collection	6,230	7,197
Council Tax / National Non-Domestic Rates	1,302	1,408
Council Tax Benefits	510	540
Other Services less charges for use of Land, Buildings and Equipment	8,599	7,811
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE	48,441	49,456
INCOME	2022/23 000's	2023/24 000's
Government Grants	-17,693	-17,721
Fees & Charges	-8,554	-9,187
Interest	-696	-1,555
Other (grants,rent,sales)	-3,306	-3,074
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	-30,249	-31,537
Contribution to / -from reserves	308	16
NET EXPENDITURE	18,500	17,935

Where your District Council gets its money

	2022/23 000's	2023/24 000's
Council Tax	9,372	9,416
Government Formula Grant	4,586	4,000
Specific Grants	739	451
3% Funding Guarantee	0	2,204
New Homes Bonus	3,803	1,864
TOTAL	18,500	17,935

Council tax bands

Details of council tax banding for a specific property can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/council-tax-bands

The new council tax bands for 2023/24 can be found below:

BAND	SDC CHARGES 2023/24 £
Α	106.08
В	123.76
С	141.44
D	159.12
E	194.48
F	229.84
G	265.20
Н	318.24

Additional Town and Parish Council precept information

Town/Parish	Year	Gross Expenditure	Contingency & Reserves	Income	Net Expenditure	Precept
,		000's	000's	000's	000's	£
Alcester	2022/23	337	0	-31	306	306,536
Aicester	2023/24	368	0	-38	330	329,813
Bidford-on-Avon	2022/23	281	50	-32	299	298,565
bidiord-on-Avon	2023/24	318	50	-62	306	306,379
Shipston-on-Stour	2022/23	382	-68	-38	276	276,000
Snipston-on-Stour	2023/24	333	0	-37	296	296,000
Southam	2022/23	282	0	-3	279	279,200
Southain	2023/24	340	0	-6	334	334,361
Stratford-upon-	2022/23	861	-20	-285	556	556,242
Avon	2023/24	978	-62	-334	582	582,238
Studley	2022/23	249	-9	-45	195	195,365
Studiey	2023/24	274	0	-44	230	230,131
Wellesbourne	2022/23	283	-23	0	260	260,000
vveilesbourne	2023/24	309	-29	0	280	280,000

Parish Council Precepts

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Parish	Parish Precept 2022/23	Parish Precept 2023/24	2023/24 Band D Amount
Admington	£3,250	£3,250	£52.97
Alcester	£306,536	£329,813	£144.57
Alderminster	£11,100	£11,738	£38.77
Arrow (& Weethley)	£5,500	£5,500	£53.12
Aston Cantlow	£9,400	£9,400	£33.61
Avon Dassett	£15,610	£15,610	£147.58
Barton-on-the-Heath	£1,000	£1,000	£15.96
Bearley	£22,873	£22,873	£80.78
Beaudesert & Henley-in-Arden	£123,500	£123,500	£82.05
Bidford-on-Avon	£298,565	£306,379	£115.43
Binton	£7,500	£6,750	£45.64
Bishops Itchington	£104,500	£108,840	£93.60
Brailes	£17,280	£17,626	£31.78
Burmington	£2,750	£2,750	£39.11
Burton Dassett	£31,500	£33,242	£60.52
Butlers Marston	£3,860	£3,761	£36.53
Charlecote	£3,000	£3,000	£32.22
Cherington & Stourton	£5,300	£8,300	£36.30
Chesterton & Kingston	£1,000	£1,000	£14.51
Claverdon	£34,500	£34,500	£53.48
Clifford Chambers & Milcote	£10,000	£10,350	£38.46
Combroke	£4,670	£4,760	£48.87
Coughton	£5,150	£5,150	£50.94
Dorsington	£2,000	£2,000	£23.79
Ettington	£39,952	£41,150	£71.98
Exhall	£3,600	£3,600	£30.79
Farnborough	£20,321	£17,806	£137.41
Fenny Compton	£27,065	£25,130	£67.70
Gaydon	£14,085	£14,085	£61.03
Great Alne	£24,840	£27,500	£56.99
Great Wolford	£5,500	£5,500	£48.19
Halford	£7,200	£7,200	£41.41
Hampton Lucy	£17,409	£18,737	£78.68
Harbury	£119,677	£128,900	£107.45
Haselor	£4,500	£5,000	£47.73
Ilmington	£20,969	£25,611	£67.80
Kineton	£71,300	£78,430	£70.74
Kinwarton	£30,000	£27,000	£51.74
Ladbroke	£5,520	£6,072	£43.70
Langley	£1,500	£1,500	£17.11
Lighthorne	£14,130	£16,000	£56.09
Little Compton	£7,500	£11,200	£69.83
Little Wolford	£1,000	£1,000	£15.71
Long Compton	£17,461	£18,334	£41.90
Long Itchington	£117,751	£128,221	£112.61
Loxley	£7,000	£7,000	£30.87

Parish	Parish Precept 2022/23	Parish Precept 2023/24	2023/24 Band D Amount
Luddington	£17,145	£17,775	£54.20
Mappleborough Green	£14,853	£14,853	£46.08
Marston Sicca	£26,000	£30,500	£37.73
Moreton Morrell	£24,000	£24,480	£71.60
Napton-on-the-Hill	£47,558	£49,198	£89.23
Newbold Pacey & Ashorne	£7,580	£8,717	£65.36
Oxhill	£11,025	£11,576	£49.71
Pillerton Hersey	£2,500	£2,625	£26.65
Pillerton Priors	£3,998	£3,998	£22.19
Preston-on-Stour	£5,500	£6,000	£73.02
Priors Hardwick	£3,000	£2,500	£26.09
Priors Marston	£18,560	£18,560	£63.53
Quinton	£31,234	£32,170	£29.37
Radway	£12,060	£12,301	£101.07
Ratley & Upton	£14,500	£15,000	£93.83
Salford Priors	£55,000	£55,000	£82.24
Sambourne	£17,500	£17,500	£46.70
Shipston-on-Stour	£276,000	£296,000	£117.77
Shotteswell	£6,500	£6,500	£52.29
Snitterfield	£39,000	£53,000	£86.27
Southam	£279,200	£334,361	£105.75
Stockton	£26,500	£30,000	£52.94
Stratford-upon-Avon	£556,242	£582,238	£41.88
Stretton-on-Fosse	£6,000	£6,300	£30.15
Studley	£195,365	£230,131	£111.17
Sutton-under-Brailes	£2,300	£2,300	£39.34
Tanworth-in-Arden	£97,000	£97,000	£58.43
Temple Grafton	£4,000	£4,000	£15.61
Tredington	£26,000	£26,900	£31.22
Tysoe	£34,345	£35,472	£64.31
Ufton	£8,970	£9,867	£91.90
Ullenhall	£9,750	£11,750	£32.54
Upper Lighthorne	£18,125	£18,169	£33.43
Warmington & Arlescote	£10,361	£10,361	£56.38
Welford-on-Avon	£36,480	£36,480	£39.85
Wellesbourne & Walton	£260,000	£280,000	£91.94
Whichford & Ascott	£6,300	£6,600	£36.18
Wilmcote	£47,150	£43,840	£87.32
Wixford	£7,000	£7,500	£88.07
Wolverton	£3,700	£3,700	£27.89
Wootton Wawen	£26,758	£27,046	£42.30

TOTAL	£3,903,683 £4,168,336	
Average		£69.26

If your parish is not listed it is not raising a precept in 2023/24