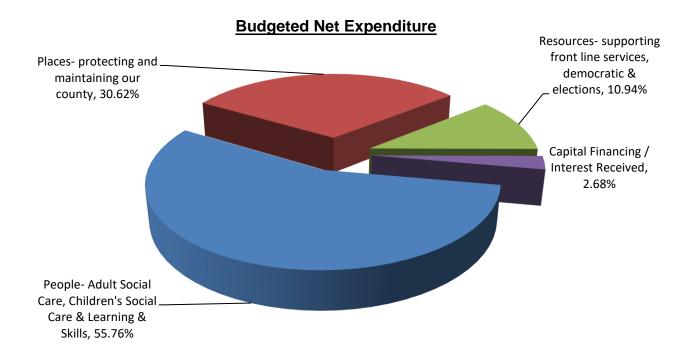
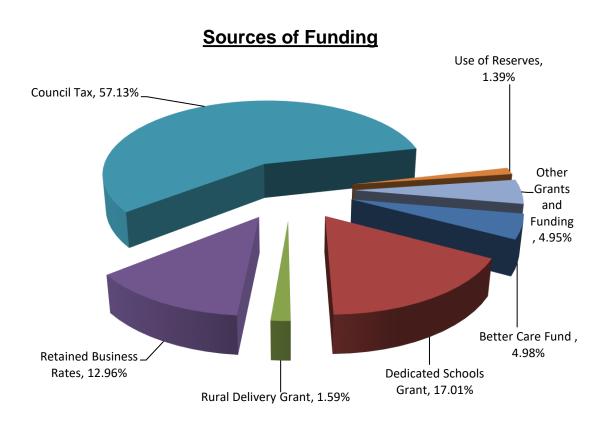
Council's Budget 2023/24

Councillors agreed the Council's Budget for 2023/24 at Full Council 27 February 2023. Full details of the budget can be accessed on the Council's <u>Website</u>.





Levies Paid to Other Organisations

The Environment Agency levies local councils to pay for flood defence costs. The Agency has supplied the following information about its revenue expenditure and levies for the Anglian and Trent Regions.

Levying Body	20	22/23	2023/24		
	Levy Gross Expenditure		Levy	Gross Expenditure	
	£	£m	£	£m	
Environment Agency					
Anglian Region – Flood Defence	40,307	60.21	40,913	68.91	
Trent Region – Flood Defence	1,971	75.56	1,998	78.82	
Total	42,278	135.77*	42,911	147.73	

^{*}revised 2022/23 gross expenditure figures provided by the Environment Agency

Guide to Council Tax 2023/24

Council Tax is a local tax set by council to fund their services and is charged to all households in the council's area. The council also collects council tax for Police and Crime Commissioner, Fire Authority and Parish Councils, which is paid over to them throughout the year.

Precepting Authorities	20	22/23	202	23/24		
	Band D Charge	Precept	Band D Charge	Precept		
	£	£m	£	£m		
Leicestershire Police	258.23	4.08	273.23	4.35		
Leicestershire Fire Authority	74.29	1.17	79.29	1.26		
Parish Councils	50.15	0.79	56.03	0.89		
Total	382.67	6.04	408.55	6.50		

How much is the Council Tax?

All properties in Rutland were valued by the Valuation Office Agency and is based on the open market value of the property on 1st April 1991. The properties were then and placed into various bands according to the valuation amount and the council tax is charged according to those bands.

The charges for 2023/24 are detailed in the tables below, parishes are excluded from the first table as each one is different.

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL CHARGE	1,342.03	1,565.70	1,789.37	2,013.04	2,460.38	2,907.72	3,355.07	4,026.08
LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY	182.15	212.51	242.87	273.23	333.95	394.67	455.38	546.46
LEICESTERSHIRE FIRE AUTHORITY	52.86	61.67	70.48	79.29	96.91	114.53	132.15	158.58
TOTAL:-	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12

Total Council Tax including Parish Charge

	Parish Precept 2023-24	Band 'D' Equivalent	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
PARISH	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ashwell	4,000.00	28.78	1,596.23	1,862.26	2,128.30	2,394.34	2,926.42	3,458.49	3,990.57	4,788.68
Ayston	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Barleythorpe	20,225.00	22.94	1,592.33	1,857.72	2,123.11	2,388.50	2,919.28	3,450.06	3,980.83	4,777.00
Barrow	400.00	8.81	1,582.91	1,846.73	2,110.55	2,374.37	2,902.01	3,429.65	3,957.28	4,748.74
Barrowden	15,750.00	57.58	1,615.43	1,884.66	2,153.90	2,423.14	2,961.62	3,500.09	4,038.57	4,846.28
Beaumont Chase	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Belton-In- Rutland	9,316.00	50.48	1,610.69	1,879.14	2,147.59	2,416.04	2,952.94	3,489.84	4,026.73	4,832.08
Bisbrooke	1,200.00	10.97	1,584.35	1,848.41	2,112.47	2,376.53	2,904.65	3,432.77	3,960.88	4,753.06
Braunston- In- Rutland	11,250.00	54.30	1,613.24	1,882.11	2,150.99	2,419.86	2,957.61	3,495.35	4,033.10	4,839.72
Brooke	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Burley	200.00	1.60	1,578.11	1,841.12	2,104.14	2,367.16	2,893.20	3,419.23	3,945.27	4,734.32
Caldecott	7,016.00	58.74	1,616.20	1,885.57	2,154.93	2,424.30	2,963.03	3,501.77	4,040.50	4,848.60
Clipsham	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Cottesmore	32,620.00	44.12	1,606.45	1,874.20	2,141.94	2,409.68	2,945.16	3,480.65	4,016.13	4,819.36
Edith Weston	22,038.32	66.72	1,621.52	1,891.77	2,162.03	2,432.28	2,972.79	3,513.29	4,053.80	4,864.56
Egleton	1,200.00	22.47	1,592.02	1,857.36	2,122.69	2,388.03	2,918.70	3,449.38	3,980.05	4,776.06
Empingham	10,000.00	23.05	1,592.41	1,857.81	2,123.21	2,388.61	2,919.41	3,450.21	3,981.02	4,777.22
Essendine	14,292.00	85.86	1,634.28	1,906.66	2,179.04	2,451.42	2,996.18	3,540.94	4,085.70	4,902.84
Exton And Horn	12,922.00	51.38	1,611.29	1,879.84	2,148.39	2,416.94	2,954.04	3,491.14	4,028.23	4,833.88
Glaston	170.00	1.77	1,578.22	1,841.26	2,104.29	2,367.33	2,893.40	3,419.48	3,945.55	4,734.66
Great Casterton	6,215.00	33.84	1,599.60	1,866.20	2,132.80	2,399.40	2,932.60	3,465.80	3,999.00	4,798.80
Greetham	14,000.00	43.81	1,606.25	1,873.95	2,141.66	2,409.37	2,944.79	3,480.20	4,015.62	4,818.74
Gunthorpe	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Hambleton	3,882.57	40.70	1,604.17	1,871.54	2,138.90	2,406.26	2,940.98	3,475.71	4,010.43	4,812.52
Ketton	64,522.00	82.90	1,632.31	1,904.36	2,176.41	2,448.46	2,992.56	3,536.66	4,080.77	4,896.92
Langham	29,575.00	47.00	1,608.37	1,876.44	2,144.50	2,412.56	2,948.68	3,484.81	4,020.93	4,825.12
Leighfield	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Little Casterton	2,842.00	25.76	1,594.21	1,859.92	2,125.62	2,391.32	2,922.72	3,454.13	3,985.53	4,782.64
Lyddington	13,598.00	65.74	1,620.87	1,891.01	2,161.16	2,431.30	2,971.59	3,511.88	4,052.17	4,862.60
Lyndon	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Manton	23,500.00	137.79	1,668.90	1,947.05	2,225.20	2,503.35	3,059.65	3,615.95	4,172.25	5,006.70

Market Overton	10,122.00	49.99	1,610.37	1,878.76	2,147.16	2,415.55	2,952.34	3,489.13	4,025.92	4,831.10
Martinsthorpe	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Morcott	8,095.00	43.25	1,605.87	1,873.52	2,141.16	2,408.81	2,944.10	3,479.39	4,014.68	4,817.62
Normanton	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
North Luffenham	20,000.00	60.99	1,617.70	1,887.32	2,156.93	2,426.55	2,965.78	3,505.02	4,044.25	4,853.10
Oakham	262,675.00	62.41	1,618.65	1,888.42	2,158.20	2,427.97	2,967.52	3,507.07	4,046.62	4,855.94
Pickworth	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Pilton	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Preston	1,500.00	14.72	1,586.85	1,851.33	2,115.80	2,380.28	2,909.23	3,438.18	3,967.13	4,760.56
Ridlington	5,375.00	57.28	1,615.23	1,884.43	2,153.64	2,422.84	2,961.25	3,499.66	4,038.07	4,845.68
Ryhall	35,564.00	58.31	1,615.91	1,885.23	2,154.55	2,423.87	2,962.51	3,501.15	4,039.78	4,847.74
Seaton	6,300.00	56.60	1,614.77	1,883.90	2,153.03	2,422.16	2,960.42	3,498.68	4,036.93	4,844.32
South Luffenham	16,000.00	72.29	1,625.23	1,896.11	2,166.98	2,437.85	2,979.59	3,521.34	4,063.08	4,875.70
Stoke Dry	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Stretton	9,035.00	70.13	1,623.79	1,894.43	2,165.06	2,435.69	2,976.95	3,518.22	4,059.48	4,871.38
Teigh	150.00	4.36	1,579.95	1,843.27	2,106.60	2,369.92	2,896.57	3,423.22	3,949.87	4,739.84
Thistleton	330.00	6.75	1,581.54	1,845.13	2,108.72	2,372.31	2,899.49	3,426.67	3,953.85	4,744.62
Thorpe By Water	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Tickencote	490.00	11.82	1,584.92	1,849.07	2,113.23	2,377.38	2,905.69	3,433.99	3,962.30	4,754.76
Tinwell	1,120.00	8.96	1,583.01	1,846.85	2,110.68	2,374.52	2,902.19	3,429.86	3,957.53	4,749.04
Tixover	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Uppingham	148,428.00	89.67	1,636.82	1,909.62	2,182.43	2,455.23	3,000.84	3,546.44	4,092.05	4,910.46
Wardley	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Whissendine	34,210.00	59.91	1,616.98	1,886.48	2,155.97	2,425.47	2,964.46	3,503.46	4,042.45	4,850.94
Whitwell	0.00	0.00	1,577.04	1,839.88	2,102.72	2,365.56	2,891.24	3,416.92	3,942.60	4,731.12
Wing	11,632.00	75.93	1,627.66	1,898.94	2,170.21	2,441.49	2,984.04	3,526.60	4,069.15	4,882.98

Parish Expenditure over £140,000

Where the parish council budget requirement exceeds £140,000 Rutland County Council is required to provide a breakdown of the Parish's expenditure and income. For 2023/24 this applies to Oakham Town Council and Uppingham Town Council.

Oakham Town Council

<u>Expenditure</u>	£
Recurrent Expenditure	
General Administration	125,490
Contracts	107,750
Recreation, Planning & General	25,535
	258,775
Other Expenditure	56,650
Total Expenditure	315,425
Income	
Non-Precept Income	(27,750)
Transfer from Reserves	(25,000)
Net Expenditure	262,675
Precept Requirement	262,675

For further information contact Oakham Town Council on 01572 723627 or email enquiries@oakhamtowncouncil.gov.uk

Uppingham Town Council

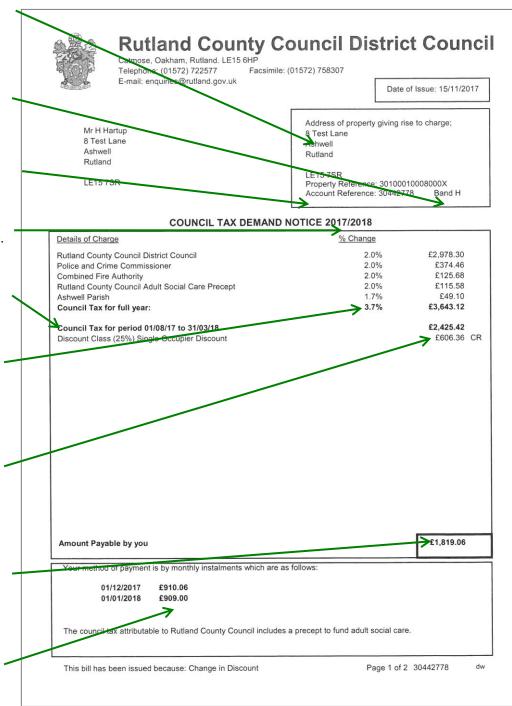
Expenditure	£
Recurrent Expenditure	
General Administration	75,752
Contracts	12,161
Recreation, Planning & General	82,915
-	170,828
Other Expenditure	34,350
Total Expenditure	205,178
Income	
Non-Precept Income	(56,750)
Transfer from Reserves	0
Net Expenditure	148,428
Precept Requirement	148,428

For further information contact Uppingham Town Council on 01572 822681 or email townclerk@uppinghamtowncouncil.co.uk

Explanatory Notes – these form part of your Council Tax Demand Notice

Your bill explained

- A The address which has given rise to Council Tax charges.
- B The valuation band given to your property
- C Your Council Tax Account Number.
- The financial year which your CouncilTax Demand relates to.
- E The period to which your Council Tax relates.
- F The changes from last year's Council Tax amounts.
- G Any discounts, exemptions, reductions, Local Council Tax Support, or premiums are detailed here.
- H The total amount payable by you.
- I Your payment method, instalment dates and amounts. If it says Direct Debit, instalments will be taken automatically from your bank.



Council Tax Bands

The Valuation Office Agency has placed all homes in one of eight valuation bands based on the open market value of the property on 1st April 1991 as follows:

Band A Up to £40,000	Band E £88,001-£120,000
Band B £40,001-£52,000	Band F £120,001-£160,000
Band C £52,001-£68,000	Band G £160,001-£320,000
Band D £68,001-£88,000	Band H £more than £320,000

Can I appeal against my band?

The Valuation Office Agency (VOA) values domestic properties for council tax. This valuation is used to set your council tax band. You might need to contact the VOA if you think your council tax band is wrong.

You can find out more about when you can challenge your band and what you need to do at gov.uk/challenge-council-tax-band. If you challenge your band, you must continue to pay council tax at your current band until your appeal is decided.

You can contact the VOA at <u>gov.uk/contact-voa</u>. If you are unable to use the online service you can also contact the VOA on 03000 501 501.

Do you qualify for a discount?

Sole adult occupiers are entitled to 25% discount. Households of two or more adult occupiers may be entitled to a discount if all but one occupier is:

- A full-time student, student nurse or apprentice
- Living in hospital, care homes, certain hostels or night shelters
- Severely mentally impaired
- 18 or 19 and at, or just left, school
- A care-worker working for low pay usually for charities
- Caring for someone with a disability who is not a partner, spouse or child under 18
- A member of visiting forces or certain international institutions
- A member of a religious community (monks or nuns)
- In prison (except those in prison for not paying Council Tax or a fine)

Unoccupied Properties

Long term empty properties – i.e. those left unoccupied and unfurnished for two years or more - will be charged an additional premium of:

- 100% for properties that have been empty for more than two years;
- 200% for properties that have been empty for more than five years; and
- 300% for properties that have been empty for at least ten years.

Vacant properties, second homes and uninhabitable properties do not attract a discount.

Is your property exempt from Council Tax?

Unoccupied properties may be exempt if they are:

- Owned by a charity (exempt for 6 months)
- Left empty by someone in prison
- Left empty by someone (permanently) living in a hospital or a care home
- Left empty because the taxpayer has died and probate/letters of administration have not been granted yet. (There is a maximum of 6 months exemption once Probate has been granted)
- Empty because occupation is prohibited by law or relevant planning restrictions apply
- · Waiting to be occupied by a minister of religion
- Left empty by a person receiving personal care elsewhere
- Left empty by someone providing care elsewhere
- Left empty by students
- Repossessed
- The responsibility of a bankrupt's trustee
- Empty caravan pitches or boat moorings
- Some unoccupied annexes

Occupied properties may be exempt if they are:

- Lived in entirely by students
- · Lived in entirely by severely mentally impaired residents
- · Halls of residence
- Barracks
- Lived in by visiting forces personnel
- Lived in entirely by residents under the age of 18
- Lived in by diplomats
- An annexe occupied by a dependent relative

Is your property specially adapted for a disabled person?

If a member of your household needs a room, extra bathroom, kitchen or extra space in your property to meet special needs (including extra space to use a wheelchair indoors) because of their disability, you may be entitled to a reduction.

Local Council Tax Support Scheme

On the 1st April 2013, Rutland County Council introduced its own Local Council Tax Support scheme (LCTS) following the Government's decision to abolish Council Tax Benefit.

If you are above state pension age you can receive up to 100% LCTS. If you are of working age you can receive up to 75% of the Council Tax charge. LCTS is a way of reducing your Council Tax charge if you are on a low income. If you are entitled to LCTS your award will be deducted from your Council Tax charge.

Applications forms can be downloaded online or sent to you.

Awards are not usually backdated so it is important to claim LCTS as soon as you think you may be entitled.

There is also a separate Discretionary Fund for people who are experiencing severe financial hardship.

Change in Circumstances

You must tell us of any change in your circumstances which may affect your entitlement within 21 days of the change. Some examples are:

- If you or your partner's income stops, starts, goes up or down
- If you or your partner's Tax Credits stop, start, go up or down
- If you or your partner's Pensions change
- If you or your partner start or stop receiving benefits (i.e. Universal Credit)
- If you or your partner's savings change
- If someone moves in or out of your household

Can I appeal against my Council Tax?

You can appeal if you consider that you are not liable to pay Council Tax, for example, because:

- You are not the resident or the owner
- Your property is exempt
- We have made a mistake in working out your bill.

If you want to appeal, you must tell us in writing, and we will consider the case. If your appeal is turned down, you have the right to appeal to the Valuation Tribunal.

Funding Adult Social Care services

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government 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 for without holding a referendum, to assist the authority in meeting its expenditure on adult social care from the financial year 2016-17. This requires annual approval in the House of Commons and remains in place for 2023-24.