

Council tax in North Dorset 2018/19



A guide to the 2018/19 Council Tax in North Dorset.

Councillors have agreed North Dorset District Council's budget for 2018/19. The council is forecasting a balanced budget despite continuing financial challenges.

The council is looking to balance its budget with a modest increase in council tax. For the coming financial year, the council is aiming to balance its budget against savings of £968,000.

To do this, the council has agreed a council tax rise which works out at £5 a year for a Band D property, or £126.96 in total.

The budget has been set based on the council's aims to protect services and deliver further efficiencies.

A balanced budget will also leave the council in a position of strength leading into the potential for a new unitary council to be set up in 2019.

[Council Tax Explanatory Notes \(pdf, 73kb\)\(opens in a new window\)](#)

North Dorset District Council spending plans

This explains how the money is spent. Some services generate income through fees and charges and that is taken off the expenditure in the table below.

NET budget 2017/18 £000	Where the money is spent	Expenditure budget 2018/19 (£)	Income budget 2018/19 (£)	Net budget 2018/19 (£)	Per band D property
352	Cultural and related services	459	-136	323	12.4
3,277	Environmental services	3,341	-138	3,203	122.94
1,257	Planning and development	2,315	-885	1,430	54.88
-145	Highways, roads and transport	498	-678	-180	-6.91
32	Housing services	18,627	-18,696	-69	-2.65
-81	Corporate and democratic management (eg audit fees, councillors and committee support, mayoral services, corporate management)	1,262	-1,125	137	5.26
13	Non distributed costs	16	0	16	0.61
1,472	Central services to the public (eg electoral services, Council Tax collection, land charges)	1,486	-230	1,256	48.22
6,177	Cost of providing services	28,004	-21,888	6,116	234.75
0	Trading accounts	0	0	0	0
-989	Net capital charges	0	-740	-740	-28.4
-200	Interest and investment income	0	-400	-400	-15.35
34	Transfer to/from reserves	37	0	37	1.42
5,022	Budget requirement	28,041	-23,028	5,013	192.42
-395	Government revenue support grant	-	-	-183	-7.02
-1,432	Redistributed non-domestic rates	-	-	-1,476	-56.64
-34	Collection fund surplus	-	-	-47	-1.8

3,161	To be met by Council Tax payers	-	-	3,307	126.96
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Summary of the Council Tax

This shows what each organisation charges for its services for band A to band H homes.

Organisation	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Dorset County Council	937.56	1,093.82	1,250.08	1,406.34	1,718.86	2,031.38	2,343.90	2,812.68
Dorset Police & Crime Commissioner	137.72	160.67	183.63	206.58	252.49	298.39	344.30	413.16
Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority	48.47	56.54	64.62	72.70	88.86	105.01	121.17	145.40
North Dorset District Council	84.64	98.75	112.85	126.96	155.17	183.39	211.60	253.92
Total	1,208.39	1,409.78	1,611.18	1,812.58	2,215.38	2,618.17	3,020.97	3625.16