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ANALYSIS OF COUNCIL TAX LEVELS OF LOCAL PRECEPTING AUTHORITIES 2025/26

This briefing provides an analysis of council tax levels of local precepting authorities in 2025/26 published by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG). Figures shown are for 2025/2026. Where relevant, figures for previous years are shown in brackets.

Executive summary

- The total amount raised by precepting local (parish and town) councils is now £856 million, an increase of £75 million or 9.68% on the 2024/25 figure of £781 million.
- The average Band D precept charged by local precepting bodies (including local councils) for 2025/26 is £91.22, an increase of £6.32 or 7.4% on the 2024/25 figure of £85.89.
- 150 local councils now raise a precept of at least £1 million, an increase of 26 on the 2024/25 figure of 124.
- Six local councils started raising a precept for the first time in 2025/26.
- The county area with the largest precept income is Wiltshire, where 274 local councils collectively raise £48 million, while the county areas with the smallest precept income are Cleveland, where 54 councils collectively raise £1.9 million and the Isle of Wight, where 33 local councils collectively raise £7.2 million.
- 37 county areas have at least one super council (a local council that raises a precept of at least £1 million).

Local precepting bodies

There are 10,236 (10,235) local bodies which have the power to raise a precept (a small share of council tax) in England. This includes local (parish and town) councils, parish meetings, charter trustees and the Inner and Middle Temple.

Of these, 8,896 (8,887) or 86.91% (90.96%) are precepting parish and town councils and parish meetings and these are collectively referred to in this paper as precepting local councils.

The number of local councils by precept range is as follows:

Precept	2025/2026	2024/2025	2023/2024
-£2,410	0 (0)	0(-1)	1 (+1)
-£198*	1 (0)	1 (0)	1 (0)
£0	1,323 (-6)	1,329(-33)	1,362 (-4)
£1-4,999	1,365 (-111)	1,476(-126)	1,602 (-121)
£5,000-£9,999	1,432 (-91)	1,523(-69)	1,592 (-44)
£10,000-£14,999	1,063 (+23)	1,040(+16)	1,024 (+41)
£15,000-£19,999	714 (+35)	679(+28)	651 (+2)
£20,000-£24,999	472 (-24)	496(-5)	501 (+2)
£25,000-£124,999	2,450 (+99)	2,351(+89)	2,262 (+91)
£125,000-£249,999	589 (+10)	579(+31)	548 (+11)
£250,000-£999,999	660 (+42)	618(+38)	580 (+29)
£1,000,000-£1,999,999	121 (+18)	103(+14)	89 (+18)
£2,000,000-£2,999,999	17 (+6)	11(0)	11 (+3)
£3,000,000-£6,499,999	11 (+1)	10(+6)	4 (+1)
£6,500,000 plus	1 (+1)	0(0)	0 (0)
Total	10,219	10,216	10,228

*Beesby with Saleby Parish Council (East Lindsey) is recorded as having a negative parish precept because the district council collects rental income from parish land on behalf of the parish and distributes this back to residents as a reduction on their council tax.

Total precepts

The overall amount raised by all precepting bodies (local councils, charter trustees, temples and principal authorities) is £44.1 billion (£41.2 billion), an increase of £2.9 billion (£2.5 billion).

The overall amount raised by major precepting bodies (principal authorities) is £43.2 billion (£40.4 billion), an increase of £2.8 billion (£2.4 billion).

The overall amount raised by local precepting bodies (parish and town councils, parish meetings, charter trustees and temples) in England this year is £859 million (£783 million), an increase of £76 million or 9.7% (£75 million or 10.63%). This is 1.9% (1.9%) of the total amount raised by all precepting bodies.

Of this £856 million (£781 million) is raised by precepting local councils, an increase of £75 million or 9.60% (£75 million or 10.62%).

The twenty largest precepting local councils raised £70,779,927 (£62,754,148). This is 8.3% (8.03%) of the overall precept raised by all precepting local councils.

In 2025/26 seventeen local councils raised a precept of between £2,000,000 and £2,999,999: Leighton Linlade (Central Bedfordshire); Newquay (Cornwall); Frome (Somerset); Aylesbury (Buckinghamshire); Penzance (Cornwall); Lowestoft (East Suffolk); Shrewsbury (Shropshire); Banbury (Cherwell); Witney (West Oxfordshire); Sutton Coldfield (Birmingham); Bracknell (Bracknell Forest); Central Swindon North (Swindon); Huntingdon (Huntingdonshire); St Neots (Huntingdonshire); Great Aycliffe (Durham); Abingdon (Vale of White Horse) and Ware (East Hertfordshire).

In 2024/5 eleven local councils raised a precept of between £2,000,000 and £2,999,999: Dunstable (Central Bedfordshire); Leighton Linlade (Central Bedfordshire); Newquay (Cornwall); Frome (Somerset); Yeovil (Somerset); Aylesbury (Buckinghamshire); Penzance (Cornwall); Banbury (Cherwell); Lowestoft (East Suffolk); Bracknell (Bracknell Forest); St Neots (Huntingdonshire).

In 2025/26 twelve local councils raised a precept of between £3,000,000 and £6,600,000: Taunton (Somerset); Salisbury City Council (Wiltshire); Weston super Mare (North Somerset); Chippenham (Wiltshire); Bridgwater (Somerset); Weymouth (Dorset); Falmouth (Cornwall); Central Swindon South (Swindon);

Trowbridge (Wiltshire); Yeovil (Somerset); Dunstable (Central Bedfordshire); Truro (Cornwall).

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There are 150 local councils which currently (in 2025/2026) raise a precept of over £1,000,000.

Average precepts

The average precept for all local councils is £83,852 (£76,477).

The average precept for local councils in areas with a unitary authority (including metropolitan boroughs) is £93,383 (£84,643).

The average precept for local councils in areas with a two-tier principal authority (a district and county council) is £76,055 (£71,787).

Precept changes

1,454 (1,533 2023/4 to 2024/5) or 16.34% (17.25%) of precepting local councils kept the 2025/26 precept the same as 2024/25.

411 (457) or 4.62% (5.14%) of precepting local councils reduced their precept.

Of the 7,026 (6,886) or 78.98% of precepting local councils that increased their precept, 2,557 (2,569) or 36.39% (37.30%) increased it by less than £1,000.

The largest precept increase was made by Weston super Mare (North Somerset) which raised its precept from £3,135,840 to £4,450,668, taking its Band D tax rate from £117.58 to £163.98.

In 2024/25 the largest precept increase was made by Taunton Town Council (Somerset) which raised its precept from £2,114,000 to £5,904,630, taking its band D tax rate from £109.67 to £299.30.

New and disbanded parishes

In 2025/26, eight (12) new local councils were created and five (20) were disbanded.

Eight new local councils were created in 2025/26:

Bradford Trident (Bradford); Ansdell (Fylde); Lytham (Fylde); Albrighton and Donington (Shropshire); Derry Hill and Studley Parish Council (Wiltshire); Kennet Valley Joint Parish Council (Wiltshire), Harrogate (North Yorkshire) and Scarborough (North Yorkshire). Collectively they raise a precept of £1,261,771.

Of these four (one) were in previously unparished areas: Ansdell (Fylde); Lytham (Fylde); Harrogate (North Yorkshire) and Scarborough (North Yorkshire). Collectively they raise a precept of £941,350.

Five local councils were disbanded in 2025/26:

Albrighton (Shropshire); Boscobel (grouped with Donington); Donington (grouped with Boscobel); Calne Without; Fyfield and West Overton (Wiltshire).

Collectively this resulted in a reduction of £293,947 (£322,450) in the precept collected by local councils.

Average Band D

The average Band D council tax for only those local councils which raised a precept is £95.32 (£89.18) an increase of £6.14 (£7.44 or 9.1%).

The average Band D council tax for all local councils, including those that do not raise a precept, is £93.76 (£87.74) an increase of £6.02 or 6.86% (£7.32 or 9.10%).

The average Band D council tax for only those local bodies (local councils, charter trustees and temples) that raise a precept is £91.22 (£85.89) an increase of £6.32 or 7.4% (£6.75 or 8.5%).

The average Band D council tax for all local bodies (local councils, charter trustees and temples), including those that do not raise a precept, is £90.21 (£84.02) an increase of £6.19 or 7.37% (£6.61 or 8.54%)

The average Band D council tax for precepting local councils in areas with a unitary authority (including metropolitan boroughs) is £101.61 (£95.15), an increase of £6.46 or 6.79% (£9.37 or 10.93%).

The average Band D council tax for precepting local councils in areas with a two-tier principal authority (district and county council) is £86.68 (£83.98), an increase of £2.70 or 3.22% (£5.79 or 7.41%).

The largest Band D increase was made by Guist (Breckland) which raised its Band D council tax rate by £271.20 from £0.00 to £271.20. This is due to properties owned by the council needing significant work doing to them.

*The average Band D is calculated by dividing the aggregate (total) of all precepts by the taxbase.

Band D changes

The overall profile of Band D changes is set out below:

Band D Change	Number of councils 2025/26	Number of councils 2024/2025	Number of councils 2023/2024
< 0%*	2,052 (+405)	1,647 (-563)	2,210 (-422)
0%	412 (+94)	318 (-186)	504 (-5)
<1%	509 (-16)	525 (-180)	705 (-92)
1.0 - 1.99%	479 (+27)	452 (-44)	496 (-180)
2.0 - 2.99%	694 (+ 197)	497 (-6)	503 (-177)
3.0 - 3.99%	590 (+51)	539 (+21)	518 (-56)
4.0 - 9.99%	2,292 (-359)	2,651 (+541)	2,110 (+478)
10% - 19.99%	1,051 (+113)	1,164 (+55)	1,009 (+238)
20% - 49.99%	631 (-131)	762 (+196)	566 (+83)
50% plus	190 (-100)	290 (+76)	214 (+38)

*Of the 2,032 (1,602) precepting local councils that reduced their Band D, 1,941 or 95.52% (1,485 or 92.70%), saw their tax base (the number of Band D equivalent dwellings in a local authority area) increase.

Looking at the 4,164 (5,373) precepting local councils that increased their Band D tax rate by more than 3%, the Band D tax rate varied from £1.95 to £557.10 (£0.25 to £380.61)

Band D Tax Rate Increase (£)	Number of councils 2025/2026	Number of councils 2024/2025	Number of councils 2023/2024
£0.01 - £4.99	4,068 (140)	4,208 (+225)	3,983 (-290)
£5.00 - £9.99	1,207 (-196)	1,403 (+319)	1,084 (+296)
£10.00 - £14.99	522 (-23)	545 (+136)	409 (+115)
£15.00 - £24.99	377 (-22)	399 (+113)	286 (+92)
£25.00+	275 (-40)	315 (+170)	145 (39)

Of the 4,163 (4,867) precepting local councils that increased their Band D tax rate by more than 3%, 253 or 6.07% (281 or 5.77%) increased the Band D tax rate by more than £25.

The top five financial increases are as below:

Parish or town council	Band D Tax Rate 2025/26 (£)	Band D Tax Rate Increase (£)	Band D Tax Rate Increase (%)
Guist (Breckland)	£271.20	271.20	N/A*
Elmton (Bolsover)	£557.10	£224.15	67.32%
Wennington (Lancaster)	£441.20	£203.27	85.43%
Welford on Avon (Stratford-on-Avon)	£212.80	£169.78	394.65%
Wentworth (East Cambridgeshire)	£288.73	£140.97	95.40%

* As Guist Parish Council did not previously raise a precept, it is not possible to calculate a percentage increase in the Band D Council Tax rate.

The table below shows those local councils with a Band D of £150 or more which had a double-digit Band D percentage increase in 2025/26 (from highest to lowest band D +10%):

Parish or town council	Band D Tax Rate 2025/26	£ Increase	% Increase
Elmton (Bolsover)	£557.10	£224.15	67.32%
Wennington (Lancaster)	£441.20	£203.27	85.43%
Bridgwater (Somerset)	£411.06	£115.73	39.19%
Wells (Somerset)	£363.78	£94.73	35.21%
Yeovil (Somerset)	£347.33	£71.51	25.93%
Great Dawley (Telford and Wrekin)	£317.00	£66.69	26.64%
Redruth (Cornwall)	£299.06	£39.43	15.19%
Royal Wootton Bassett (Wiltshire)	£291.13	£41.05	16.41%
Wentworth (East Cambridgeshire)	£288.73	£140.97	95.40%
Westbury (Wiltshire)	£285.78	£44.16	18.28%
Oakengates (Telford and Wrekin)	£280.74	£30.08	12.00%
Church Stretton (Shropshire)	£276.83	£52.85	23.60%
Saltash (Cornwall)	£275.92	£27.34	11.00%
Huntingdon (Huntingdonshire)	£274.00	£39.61	16.90%
Ware (East Hertfordshire)	£271.09	£61.46	29.32%
Calne (Wiltshire)	£260.19	£33.84	14.95%

Bruton (Somerset)	£254.17	£69.25	37.45%
Cirencester (Cotswold)	£252.65	£27.36	12.14%
Helston (Cornwall)	£251.91	£24.76	10.90%
Dunstable (Central Bedfordshire)	£246.13	£26.20	11.91%
Stroud (Stroud)	£243.82	£22.22	10.03%
Dartmouth (South Hams)	£238.09	£25.08	11.77%
Denmead (Winchester)	£232.49	£38.89	20.09%
Biggleswade (Central Bedfordshire)	£231.84	£26.68	13.00%
Braunstone Town (Blaby)	£230.32	£30.01	14.98%
Houghton Regis (Central Bedfordshire)	£229.54	£31.72	16.03%
Nailsworth (Stroud)	£225.60	£23.90	11.85%
Barnstaple (North Devon)	£224.44	£30.45	15.70%
St Agnes (Cornwall)	£222.57	£72.40	48.21%
South Petherton (Somerset)	£222.23	£30.44	15.87%
Pendle (Colne)	£220.34	£28.74	15.00%
Uckfield (Wealden)	£220.30	£30.30	15.95%
Shaftesbury (Dorset)	£219.67	£43.93	25.00%
Watchet (Somerset)	£219.13	£60.10	37.79%
Hooe (Wealden)	£216.96	£50.69	30.49%
Alford (East Lindsey)	£216.12	£22.95	11.88%
Central Swindon North (Swindon)	£216.03	£32.65	15.01%

Street (Somerset)	£214.94	£27.97	14.96%
Welford on Avon (Stratford- on-Avon)	£212.80	£169.78	394.65%
Wellington (Somerset)	£211.88	£45.59	27.42%
Hawksworth (Rushcliffe)	£211.67	£39.59	23.01%
Ventnor (Isle of Wight)	£209.41	£23.51	12.65%
Fakenham (North Norfolk)	£208.58	£80.75	63.17%
Petersfield (East Hampshire)	£208.33	£29.59	16.55%
Blaby (Blaby)	£207.71	£21.32	11.44%
Berkeley (Stroud)	£207.24	£34.77	20.16%
St Dennis (Cornwall)	£206.44	£19.71	10.56%
Stainforth (Doncaster)	£206.19	£25.02	13.81%
Bromyard and Winslow (Herefordshire)	£204.69	£29.26	16.68%
Witney (West Oxfordshire)	£203.37	£26.37	14.90%
Easington Village (Durham)	£200.00	£20.00	11.11%
Melksham (Wiltshire)	£199.92	£24.23	13.79%
Newent (Forest of Dean)	£199.89	£26.31	15.16%
Seavington St Michael (Somerset)	£198.39	£38.25	23.89%
Seavington St Mary (Somerset)	£198.35	£38.61	24.17%
Preston Brook (Halton)	£197.15	£55.41	39.09%
Spilsby (East Lindsey)	£196.27	£29.04	17.37%
Mablethorpe and Sutton (East Lindsey)	£195.92	£24.95	14.59%
Holsworthy (Torridge)	£195.92	£25.81	15.17%

Wickham (Winchester)	£194.99	£25.04	14.73%
Burnham on Sea and Highbridge (Somerset)	£194.62	£51.21	35.71%
Ivybridge (South Hams)	£192.74	£45.18	30.62%
Fleckney (Harborough)	£192.56	£88.62	85.26%
Williton (Somerset)	£192.49	£24.91	14.86%
Montacute (Somerset)	£192.44	£31.83	19.82%
Rendlesham (East Suffolk)	£192.23	£28.88	17.68%
Bridgnorth (Shropshire)	£192.08	£20.82	12.16%
Liskeard (Cornwall)	£191.03	£20.64	12.11%
Twywell (North Northamptonshire)	£190.26	£96.97	103.94%
Hamble le Rice (Eastleigh)	£189.45	£38.37	25.40%
Sonning Common (South Oxfordshire)	£188.62	£31.44	20.00%
Long Stratton (South Norfolk)	£188.04	£26.08	16.10%
Stibbard (North Norfolk)	£186.06	£59.30	46.78%
St. Ives (Huntingdonshire)	£186.06	£31.84	20.65%
Laneshaw Bridge (Pendle)	£185.89	£27.01	17.00%
Sutton (Rochford)	£184.82	£22.07	13.56%
Hartley Wintney (Hampshire)	£183.03	£59.52	48.19%
Lowestoft (East Suffolk)	£181.23	£20.85	13.00%
Twyford (Winchester)	£180.92	£22.53	14.22%
Norton sub Hamdon (Somerset)	£180.89	£42.98	31.17%

Nassington (North Northamptonshire)	£180.08	£41.42	29.87%
Crimplesham (Kings Lynn and West Norfolk)	£179.01	£52.85	41.89%
Bury (Huntingdonshire)	£178.37	£50.56	39.56%
Helmsley (North Yorkshire)	£176.21	£31.44	21.72%
Dodington (South Gloucestershire)	£176.13	£38.63	28.09%
Tetbury (Cotswold)	£176.00	£16.00	10.00%
Amesbury (Wiltshire)	£175.09	£21.05	13.67%
Wortwell (South Norfolk)	£174.34	£15.85	10.00%
Wheatley Hill (Durham)	£173.34	£20.23	13.21%
Kislingbury (West Northamptonshire)	£172.51	£53.16	44.54%
Syston (Charnwood)	£171.49	£17.79	11.57%
Sodbury (South Gloucestershire)	£171.33	£30.00	21.23%
Axminster (East Devon)	£171.24	£17.16	11.14%
Wye with Hinxhill (Ashford)	£170.90	£22.27	14.98%
Chipping Norton (West Oxfordshire)	£170.51	£40.00	30.65%
Bishop Burton (East Riding of Yorkshire)	£168.73	£28.12	20.00%
Milborne Port (Somerset)	£168.58	£29.71	21.39%
South Marston (Swindon)	£167.71	£25.58	18.00%
Wacton (South Norfolk)	£167.68	£31.16	22.82%
Penryn (Cornwall)	£167.05	£25.93	18.37%

Charing (Ashford)	£166.08	£19.83	13.56%
Porlock (Somerset)	£164.83	£30.30	22.52%
Madeley (Telford and Wrekin)	£164.21	£17.39	11.84%
Weston super Mare (North Somerset)	£163.98	£46.40	39.46%
Trowse with Newton (South Norfolk)	£163.90	£20.51	39.46%
Wrotham (Tonbridge and Malling)	£163.74	£23.51	16.77%
Arlesey (Central Bedfordshire)	£162.77	£23.24	16.66%
Haslingfield (South Cambridgeshire)	£162.76	£31.63	24.12%
Wales (Rotherham)	£161.49	£49.53	44.24%
Midhurst (Chichester)	£161.35	£26.30	19.47%
Sutton cum Duckmanton (North East Derbyshire)	£161.35	£18.37	12.85%
Cleobury Mortimer (Shropshire)	£160.76	£45.81	39.85%
Bagworth & Thornton (Hinkley and Bosworth)	£160.67	£17.21	12.00%
Mepal (East Cambridgeshire)	£160.37	£23.58	17.24%
Littlebury (Uttlesford)	£159.94	£67.16	72.39%
Lytchett Minster and Upton (Dorset)	£159.38	£15.29	10.61%
Burnham (Buckinghamshire)	£159.37	£29.26	22.49%
Polegate (Wealden)	£158.79	£18.52	13.20%
Winslow (Buckinghamshire)	£158.68	£15.83	11.08%
Kingsdon (Somerset)	£157.23	£24.77	18.70%

Womenswold (Cantebury)	£156.16	£68.13	77.39%
Wateringbury (Tonbridge and Malling)	£156.03	£24.58	18.70%
Haltwhistle (Northumberland)	£155.83	£22.00	16.44%
Halesworth (East Suffolk)	£155.48	£65.02	71.88%
New Buckenham (Breckland)	£155.48	£44.24	39.81%
Pucklechurch (South Gloucestershire)	£155.18	£26.19	20.30%
Ramsden (West Oxfordshire)	£154.05	£29.79	23.97%
East Cowes (Isle of Wight)	£153.48	£15.46	11.20%
Haydon Wick (Swindon)	£153.48	£24.59	19.08%
Fenstanton (Huntingdonshire)	£153.29	£20.25	15.22%
Littleport (East Cambridgeshire)	£153.16	£33.03	27.50%
Trawden Forest (Pendle)	£153.06	£43.05	39.13%
Pilsley (North East Derbyshire)	£151.73	£42.32	38.68%
Methwold (Kings Lynn and West Norfolk)	£151.37	£28.52	23.22%
Little Easton (Uttlesford)	£151.22	£17.05	12.71%
Leighton Bromswold (Huntingdonshire)	£151.13	£54.39	56.22%
Shipston on Stour (Stratford-on-Avon)	£150.63	£30.60	25.49%

Of the 137 local councils included in the table above, 62 are in areas with a unitary authority and 75 in areas with a two-tier principal authority.

Information by county association

The table below shows the average percentage precept increase and average percentage Band D increase by county association area:

County	Average precept increase from 2024/2025 to 2025/2026	Average Band D increase from 2024/2025 to 2025/2026	Average precept increase from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025	Average Band D increase from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025
Avon	+7.52%	+7.23%	+8.48%	+14.32%
Bedfordshire	+6.39%	+26.53%**	-13.10%*	+3.14%
Berkshire	+5.31%	+6.96%	+6.98%	+7.27%
Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes	+5.00%	+5.45%	+6.00%	+5.96%
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	+5.88%	+7.69%	+6.50%	+6.82%
Cheshire	+7.18%	+7.75%	+5.53%	+8.12%
Cleveland	+4.87%	+3.21%	+5.59%	+3.74%
Cornwall	11.05%	+5.60%	+7.96%	+9.23%
County Durham	+5.32%	+5.06%	+6.09%	+7.05%
Cumbria	+5.06%	+0.00%	+4.60%	+11.11%
Derbyshire	+6.87%	+7.09%	+8.45%	+10.89%
Devon	+2.09%	+5.39%	+7.16%	+9.67%
Dorset	+5.51%	+3.18%	+4.53%	+5.53%
East Sussex	+6.05%	+5.97%	+7.88%	+7.03%
ERNLLCA	+6.33%	+5.67%	+5.36%	+6.77%
Essex	+5.89%	+5.93%	+7.14%	+7.85%

Gloucestershire	-1.27%	+4.02%	+7.16%	+8.40%
Hampshire	+7.27%	+7.70%	+6.73%	+7.82%
Herefordshire	+3.72%	+4.05%	+3.44%	+2.96%
Hertfordshire	+6.56%	+7.72%	+6.00%	+6.46%
Isle of Wight	+7.23%	+2.37%	+10.40%	+12.93%
Kent	+6.14%	+7.14%	+7.66%	+9.03%
Lancashire and Merseyside	+6.30%	+6.89%	+8.41%	+11.94%
Leicestershire and Rutland	+4.88%	+5.28%	+6.63%	+7.94%
Lincolnshire	+4.67%	+5.14%	+4.79%	+6.64%
Norfolk	+7.33%	+6.43%	+7.40%	8.43%
Northamptonshire	+5.96%	+6.97%	+5.56%	+7.57%
Northumberland	+3.98%	-0.67%	+14.77%	+6.27%
Nottinghamshire	+5.95%	+6.27%	+5.42%	+5.82%
Oxfordshire	+7.44%	+8.11%	+4.39%	+8.77%
Shropshire	+6.70%	+7.33%	+5.69%	+7.07%
Somerset	9.08%	+10.25%	+15.00%	+23.04%
Staffordshire	+5.91%	+6.93%	+5.87%	+6.32%
Suffolk	+6.31%	+4.53%	+5.36%	+5.33%
Surrey	+6.93%	+6.77%	+6.63%	+6.68%
Warwickshire and West Midlands	+6.82%	+9.75%	+6.11%	+6.69%
West Sussex	+7.87%	+5.43%	+6.98%	+7.86%
Wiltshire	+7.11%	+8.36%	+7.41%	+10.84%

Worcestershire	+5.96%	+7.13%	+5.07%	+6.63%
Yorkshire	+7.04%	+14.16%***	+5.95%	+9.96%

*Includes Aspley Guise Parish Council, which reduced its Band D by -95.89% and its precept by -2285.05% in 2024/25 and Eggington Parish Council, which reduced its Band D by 33.67% and its precept by 36.86%.

**Includes Aspley Guise Parish Council, which increased its Band D by 2728.95% in 2025/26 and Kempston Town Council, which increased its Band D by 69.20%.

***Includes Harrogate Town Council, which increased its Band D by 2667.39% in 2025/26 and Scarborough Town Council, which increased its Band D by 1461.08%.

The table below shows the average Band D, highest overall Band D and highest precepting council in each county association area for 2024/25:

County	Average Band D*	Highest overall Band D	Highest precepting council
Avon (Total precepts £25,359,366)	£108.80	Filton (£312.33)	Weston super Mare (£4,450,668)
Bedfordshire (£20,598,032)	£131.90	Stotfold (£255.64)	Dunstable (£3,282,168)
Berkshire (£19,304,249)	£82.07	Hungerford (£152.72)	Bracknell (£2,222,402)
Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes (£34,671,719)	£112.49	Woughton (£344.07)	Aylesbury (£2,585,171)
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	£91.93	Huntingdon (£274.00)	Huntingdon (£2,117,046)

(£24,343,800)			
Cheshire (£21,364,416)	£68.64	Preston Brook (£197.15)	Crewe (£1,440,796)
Cleveland (£1,976,188)	£29.97	Loftus Town Council (£105.99)	Billingham (£360,512)
Cornwall (£40,984,051)	£184.52	Falmouth (£444.06)	Falmouth (£3,677,263).
County Durham (£17,362,577)	£133.86	Peterlee (£407.56)	Great Aycliffe (£2,075,350)
Cumbria (£10,504,617)	£66.02	Siloth on Solway (£228.84)	Workington (£1,070,744)
Derbyshire (£18,960,026)	£88.10	Elmton (£557.10)	Dronfield (£1,058,495)
Devon (£25,682,791)	£100.38	Cranbrook (£256.03)	Newton Abbot (£1,698,731)
Dorset (£22,065,798)	£120.75	Sturminster Newton (£272.90)	Weymouth (£3,899,180)
East Sussex (£18,776,144)	£126.87	Forest Row (£296.42)	Crowborough (£1,748,757)
ERNLLCA (£11,997,633)	£67.56	Goole (£252.58)	Goole (£1,415,000)

Essex (£29,496,940)	£78.89	Great Dunmow (£216.87)	Saffron Walden (£1,442,316)
Gloucestershire (£18,450,344)	£100.08	Cirencester (£252.65)	Cirencester (£1,923,000)
Hampshire (£34,305,647)	£97.99	Denmead (£232.49)	Totton and Eling (£1,695,975)
Herefordshire (£6,268,583)	£86.09	Bromyard and Winslow (£204.68)	Hereford (£1,087,991)
Hertfordshire (£20,683,226)	£87.11	Ware (£271.09)	Ware (£2,059,436)
Isle of Wight (£7,290,495)	£133.40	Sandown (£240.47)	Ryde (£1,567,325)
Kent (£35,736,052)	£80.63	Paddock Wood (£235.92)	Sevenoaks (£1,545,147)
Lancashire and Merseyside (£16,275.094)	£48.70	Wennington (£441.20)	Colne (£1,105,379)
Leicestershire and Rutland (£21,299,730)	£109.78	Braunstone Town (£230.32)	Braunstone Town (£1,128,399)
Lincolnshire (£16,624,436)	£81.85	Bassingham (£253.36)	Sleaford (£888,988)
Norfolk (£25,131,553)	£94.75	Guist (£271.20)	Dereham (£1,229,107)

Northamptonshire (£22,649,906)	£85.88	Oundle (£246.85)	Northampton Town (£1,841,300)
Northumberland (£11,547,179)	£92.19	Newbiggin by the Sea (£198.51)	Blyth (£1,490,046)
Nottinghamshire (£11,414,573)	£87.22	Hawthornthwaite (£211.67)	Newark (£1,299,163)
Oxfordshire (£26,859,174)	£113.03	Berinsfield (£219.74)	Banbury (£2,230,520)
Shropshire (£19,351,642)	£118.19	Great Dawley (£317.00)	Shrewsbury (£2,389,594)
Somerset (£38,761,593)	£182.42	Bridgwater (£411.06)	Taunton (£6,571,886)
Staffordshire (£11,523,595)	£53.33	Hilton (£134.92)	Lichfield (£998,698)
Suffolk (£22,507,657)	£96.26	Stowmarket (£210.24)	Lowestoft (£2,413,263)
Surrey (£11,083,882)	£64.87	Godalming (£122.15)	Farnham (£1,535,300)
Warwickshire and West Midlands (£14,481,165)	£62.64	Welford on Avon (£212.80)	Sutton Coldfield (£2,250,599)
West Sussex (£22,488,377)	£88.02	Hunston (£171.35)	Littlehampton (£1,621,543)
Wiltshire	£176.81	Salisbury (£382.15)	Salisbury (£5,943,766)

(£48,356,506)			
Worcestershire (£10,373.499)	£67.77	Tenbury (£182.55)	Malvern (£1,428,548)
Yorkshire (£36,013,460)	£58.20	South Kirkby and Moorthorpe (£279.55)	Keighley (£1,279,090)

* The Average Band D has been calculated by dividing the aggregate of (total) parish precepts in each county area by the aggregate (total) taxbase in each county area.

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