

Balancing the books

Your Council Tax is calculated by adding together the money needed by:

- the Council;
- the West Yorkshire Combined Authority;
- the Environment Agency;
- the Police and Crime Commissioner West Yorkshire;
- the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and
- your parish/town council (if you have one).

	2017/18 £ millions	2018/19 £ millions
The total amount that the council needs to spend (includes the Combined Authority, Environment Agency and parish councils)	1,991.4	2,023.5
The amount that the council expects to receive from fees, charges, rents, specific grants, etc.	-1,476.6	-1,497.6
The amount that the council will receive from Business Rates and general government grant	-229.7	-222.4
Total needed by the council and parishes from Council Tax	285.1	303.5

The police and fire and rescue authorities also need money from Council Tax to fund their services:

Police and Crime Commissioner West Yorkshire	33.5	36.7
West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority	13.5	14.1

That gives an overall total to be funded from Council Tax:

Total amount needed from Council Tax	332.1	354.3
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Note: Totals may not add exactly due to rounding.

The table below shows how much Council Tax a Band D household will have to pay in comparison to last year.

	Band D Council Tax		% Change
	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	
Leeds City Council	1,276.20	1,339.89	4.99%
Police and Crime Commissioner West Yorkshire	150.95	162.95	7.95%
West Yorkshire Fire authority	60.90	62.72	2.99%
Total	1,488.05	1,565.56	5.21%