

# Budget Summary Local Policing Summary

Council Tax Explained: 2024/25



# Contacting Your Authorities

## West Lindsey District Council

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**Opening Times:** Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

### Reductions and Council Tax Enquiries:

Call West Lindsey District Council on 01427 676676 with any enquiries relating to council tax and reductions.

### Benefit Fraud:

You can telephone the National Benefit Fraud Hotline on 0800 854 440 if you have any information which may assist in the identification of fraud. Information will be treated in confidence.

“As a new administration, we have been able to include priority areas we feel will meet our vision for the district.

The 2024/25 Budget supports delivery of our Corporate Plan objectives, protects our award-winning services, improves our customers' experience, delivers efficiencies and will continue to deliver value for money for the residents of West Lindsey. All of this is being delivered to the residents of West Lindsey for an average of £4.65 per week.”

**Cllr Trevor Young**  
Leader of West Lindsey District Council



## Lincolnshire County Council

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If you want any more information on the county council's budget for 2022/23, you can email [finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk) or visit [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/finance](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/finance)

## Lincolnshire Police & Crime Commissioner

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner  
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**Lincolnshire Police General Enquiries:** 101 (your call may be recorded)

**Emergencies:** 999 and ask for police

**Minicom/Textphone:** 01522 558140

**Website:** [www.lincs.police.uk](http://www.lincs.police.uk)

In order to continue reducing costs this council tax booklet is no longer printed and issued to individual households. It is available online and can be printed on request. All the information billing authorities are required to publish in this leaflet will be provided online via the West Lindsey website: [www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/ctguide](http://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/ctguide)

# Council Tax Explained

## Who gets the council tax money?

West Lindsey District Council collects the council tax. However, we keep less than one eighth of it. We pay the rest over to Lincolnshire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner, parish and town councils, as detailed from page 8 onwards.

## What is council tax and who has to pay?

Council tax is a tax on people's homes. Council and police services are paid for by income from government grants, council tax, fees and other charges.

Owner occupiers and their partners usually have to pay the council tax bill. Where homes are rented, the tenants and their partners will have to pay. In the case of empty homes, it's normally the owner who has to pay.

The owners of these properties have to pay:

- Residential care homes, nursing homes and hostels or
- Those occupied by
  - a minister of religion/religious community
  - more than one household or
  - resident staff or asylum seekers

Please contact us if you have been made the liable person, and you believe this to be incorrect.

## What are valuation bands - can you appeal?

The Valuation Office, an executive agency of HM Revenue and Customs, has given each property a valuation band, between A and H, according to its market value in April 1991. If your property was built after April 1991, it will be valued as if it had existed then.

Band	Market Value (April 1991)
A	Up to £40,000
B	£40,001 - £52,000
C	£52,001 - £68,000
D	£68,001 - £88,000
E	£88,001 - £120,000
F	£120,001 - £160,000
G	£160,001 - £320,000
H	More than £320,000

## You can appeal against the valuation band if:

- It's within six months of you becoming the taxpayer or
- The value changes because of demolition work, a conversion, a change of use or any other physical change to the location

You must carry on paying your council tax while your appeal is being considered.

For more information about valuation bands or appeals, contact:

The Listing Officer, Council Tax East  
Valuation Office Agency  
Ground Floor, Ferrers House  
Castle Meadow Road  
Nottingham  
NG2 1AB

**Email:** [cteast@voa.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:cteast@voa.gsi.gov.uk)

**Tel:** 03000 501501

**Website:** [www.voa.gov.uk](http://www.voa.gov.uk)

If your initial appeal fails, you have further avenues of appeal, which will be explained to you by the Valuation Office.

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In common with all local authorities, West Lindsey District Council has a duty to protect the public funds it administers. We are required to participate in data matching exercises, carried out by the Audit Commission's National Fraud Initiative, to prevent and detect fraud.



## Council Tax Discounts:

You may be able to get a discount or, in some cases, a full exemption if no-one lives in the property. You can get a 25% discount on your bill if there is only one person aged 18 or over living in your home. People under 18, or in one of the groups listed below, are NOT included when counting the number of people living in your home for council tax purposes:

- Most full-time students, student nurses and some apprentices
- The partner of a student or the dependant of a student who is not a British citizen and is not allowed to work in this country or claim benefits
- People who are long-term patients in hospital or who live in care homes
- People who are severely mentally impaired
- 18 and 19 year olds still eligible for child benefit
- School and college leavers (from April to October if they are under 20 years old)
- Low-paid care workers (usually employed by charities)
- Residents of hostels for the homeless or night shelters
- Carers looking after someone who is not their partner and not a child of their own who is under 18 years old
- Members of religious communities
- Members of visiting armed forces and international institutions
- Diplomats
- People in detention (except for those in prison for non-payment of fines or council tax)

Discounts for empty properties:

- Property undergoing structural repair (25% for up to 12 months only)
- Property empty and unfurnished (100% for up to 2 months only)

Please contact us if:

- You think you should be getting a discount or
- You are getting a discount and your circumstances have changed so that you should no longer get it.

## Council Tax Exemptions:

Generally, you don't have to pay council tax on the classes of property listed in the two sections that follow because they are exempt. Some classes do have time limits though and you may have to pay a charge after the exemption runs out. Please note that time limits run from when the circumstances of the exempt class first started to apply, and they don't re-start if the property changes hands. Classes of exempt empty property are as follows:

- **Class B:** owned by a charity (exempt for up to six months only)
- **Class D:** the tax payer is in detention (except for those in prison for non-payment of fines or council tax)
- **Class E:** the tax payer has left it to go and live in a care home
- **Class F:** the tax payer has died (exempt for up to six months after probate granted)
- **Class G:** can't be lived in by law
- **Class H:** held for a minister of religion
- **Class I:** the tax payer has gone to live elsewhere to receive personal care
- **Class J:** the taxpayer has gone to live elsewhere to provide personal care
- **Class K:** left empty by a student
- **Class L:** the mortgagee has possession
- **Class Q:** the taxpayer is trustee to a bankrupt
- **Class R:** unused caravan pitch or boat mooring
- **Class T:** unoccupied annexe to occupied property

Classes of exempt occupied property are as follows:

- **Class M:** student halls of residence
- **Class N:** all occupiers are students, school or college leavers or non-British dependants or partners of students
- **Class O:** UK armed forces accommodation
- **Class P:** visiting forces accommodation
- **Class S:** all occupiers are under 18
- **Class U:** all occupiers are severely mentally impaired
- **Class V:** main residence of a person with diplomatic privilege or immunity
- **Class W:** the annex to a property occupied by a dependant relative

A 50% discount can also be granted in certain circumstances where an annex to a main dwelling is occupied by a non-dependent relative of the person paying council tax on the main dwelling.

Council Tax Premium:

Any property which is empty and unfurnished for 2 years or more will be subject to a council tax premium in accordance with the table below:

Empty Property Period	Premium Charge from 2023/24	Premium Charge from 2024/25	Actual Council Tax Charged
2-5 years	100%	100%	200%
5-10 years	100%	200%	300%
10+ years	100%	300%	400%

Exceptions to the additional premium will not be added to:

- A property which has been left empty by a member of the Armed Forces who has been posted away from home
- A property which is an annexe to another property and it is being used as part of the main property
- Homes that are a residential pitch occupied by a caravan or a mooring occupied by a boat will not be liable for the empty homes premium and will qualify for a 50% discount

In certain circumstances long term empty properties liable for a premium charge may be eligible for an exception to this premium, reducing the charge to 100% Council Tax. This is awarded for a maximum of 12 months but certain criteria must be fulfilled:

- Owners who are genuinely attempting to sell or let their property which has been vacant for at least 2 years
- Owners who are experiencing particular legal or technical issues preventing the sale or let of the property
- Owners who are in negotiation with the Empty Property team

In order to encourage the renovation and subsequent reoccupation of long-term empty properties, in addition to the above exceptions a further exception or discount may be granted but the following criteria must be fulfilled:

- The property must have changed hands, and the new owner must provide evidence of a firm commitment to bring the property back into use within 12 months. Evidence will be required which may include builder's quotes and confirmation of work started or other evidence supporting the work that is being undertaken. An inspection by one of our officers may be required to confirm the works are underway.

In these circumstances an exception to the charge may be made alongside a local discount of 100% which will reduce the council tax charge to zero for a maximum period of 12 months.

If you believe you are eligible for an exception, please complete the [Application for Exception to Premium form](#) and return to the revenues team along with supporting evidence as requested on the form.

Penalties:

You must notify us of a change in circumstances within 21 days. Failure to do so could result in a penalty of £70 being imposed.

Second Homes:

From 1 April 2024 furnished second homes will be charged 100% council tax.

Claiming Council Tax Support:

Don't pay more council tax than you need to. Council tax support can reduce your bill by as much as 90% if one of these applies:

- You are getting either Income Based Job Seekers Allowance or Income Support
- The income we have to take into account is low enough for you to qualify and savings and investments are valued below £16,000

Even if you own your own home and are working you may still be able to get this support. A lot of information is required to support the claim, but don't be put off by this, it's necessary to stop fraud.

Council tax payers who have reached pension age and some disabled customers may qualify for up to 100% council tax support.

### **Housing Benefit (Help with your Rent):**

If you rent your home and have a low income, you could get housing benefit to help you pay your rent. Contact your district council to discuss eligibility.

### **People with Disabilities:**

You can get your bill reduced by one valuation band if you have a second bathroom; a second kitchen; a special room; or enough floor space to use a wheelchair indoors and the facility is necessary to meet the needs of anyone in the home who is disabled.

If you qualify for this reduction, you will have to renew your application annually.

Please contact us if:

- You think you should be getting a disabled band reduction or
- Your circumstances have changed so that you no longer need to receive the reduction

This booklet contains information about many discounts, exemptions, banding reductions and support that can help to reduce your bill.

We can advise further on any of these schemes. If you don't qualify or are already receiving some help, and are still finding it hard to pay, contact us as soon as possible to discuss your payments.

Citizens Advice (CA) and CA advice line gives free impartial advice to people struggling with various debts. It has offices in Gainsborough and Lincoln. The CA advice line is 03444 111 444.

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The council has the discretion to give local council tax discounts. It is likely that this would only be used in very exceptional and deserving circumstances.

If you think this might apply to you, please contact us for more information.



# District Council Finances

## Your Council Tax: 2024/25

	Lincolnshire County Council	Lincolnshire Police	West Lindsey District Council	Total
Band A	£1,052.46	£202.80	£161.03	£1,416.29
Band B	£1,227.87	£236.60	£187.87	£1,652.34
Band C	£1,403.28	£270.40	£214.71	£1,888.39
Band D	£1,578.69	£304.20	£241.55	£2,124.44
Band E	£1,929.51	£371.80	£295.23	£2,596.54
Band F	£2,280.33	£439.40	£348.91	£3,068.64
Band G	£2,631.15	£507.00	£402.58	£3,540.73
Band H	£3,157.38	£608.40	£483.10	£4,248.88

West Lindsey District Council Tax will rise by £7.01, Lincolnshire County Council have increased their Council Tax for General Expenditure by 2.99% and made an increase of 2.00% for Adult Social Care.

Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner increased its rate by £12.96 and the overall impact on Council Tax bills is an increase of 4.68% (£95.03 at Band D). The level of changes in bills will vary across the district where Parishes or Towns set local precepts. The back page of this booklet sets out all Parish and Town Council precepts and Band D equivalent charges.

West Lindsey District Council has set a Budget and Council Tax increase of £7.01 (2.99%), which can continue to support the delivery of our Corporate Plan objectives, protects our award winning services, improves our customer's experience, and delivers efficiencies.

This will be achieved through investment in growth, new technology and service redesigns, in support of the delivery of our Financial Strategy which aims to achieve financial sustainability in the long term whilst continuing to achieve unqualified Value for Money opinions from our external auditors.

## Total Council Tax Requirement

	2023/24 Net Expenditure (£000)	2024/25 Net Expenditure (£000)
West Lindsey District Council Tax Requirement	£10,011	£10,453
Lincolnshire County Council Tax Requirement	£47,660	£50,666
Lincolnshire Police Authority Requirement	£9,231	£9,763
<b>Total Cost met by Council Taxpayers</b>	<b>£66,902</b>	<b>£70,882</b>
Population	95,570	95,570
Cost per head of Population	£700.03	£741.68



## What your Council Tax goes towards paying for:

2023/24: Net Expenditure (£000)	Service Expenditure	2024/25: Gross Expenditure (£000)	2024/25: Income (£000)	2024/25: Net Expenditure (£000)
£7,785	Our Council	£11,307	(£3,082)	£8,225
£1,833	Our People	£17,949	(£16,234)	£1,715
£4,726	Our Place	£7,844	(£3,139)	£4,705
<b>£14,344</b>	<b>Net Cost of Services</b>	<b>£37,100</b>	<b>(£22,455)</b>	<b>£14,645</b>
£3,036	Precepts and Levies for Local Precepting Authorities			£3,233
(£1,359)	Financing and Investment income and expenditure			(£1,534)
£906	Other Adjustments			£959
£3,943	Capital Expenditure charged to General Fund			£9,366
(£4,131)	Movement to/(from) Reserves and Balances			(£8,170)
<b>£16,739</b>	<b>Amount to be met from Grants and Taxpayers</b>			<b>£18,499</b>
(£1,805)	Less Government Grants			(£1,959)
(£4,633)	Retained Business Rates			(£5,797)
(£290)	(Surplus)/Deficit from Collection Fund - Council Tax			(£290)
<b>£10,011</b>	<b>Amount to be met by District Taxpayers</b>			<b>£10,453</b>

## Reserves and Balances

	Balance (1st April 2023) (£000)	In Year Movements (£000)	Estimate (1st April 2024) (£000)
Usable Reserves: General Fund	(£4,684)	£1,957	(£2,727)
Usable Reserves: Earmarked Reserves	(£19,339)	(£122)	(£19,461)
Usable Reserves: Capital	(£4,134)	£2,376	(£1,758)
<b>Total Usable Reserves</b>	<b>(£28,157)</b>	<b>£4,211</b>	<b>(£23,946)</b>
Unusable Reserves	£15,685	0	£15,685
<b>Total Reserves and Balances</b>	<b>(£43,842)</b>	<b>£4,211</b>	<b>(£39,631)</b>



**Why the District Council's Budget (including Parish Precepts) requirement has changed from last year:**

	Change in Expenditure and Income (£000)	Change In Council Tax per Band D equivalent (£)
<b>Council Tax Requirement: 2023/24</b>	<b>£10,011</b>	<b>£303</b>
Movement in Taxbase		£9
Savings	-	-
Income Gain	(£179)	(£6)
Additional Expenditure	£368	£11
Income Loss	-	-
Contingency Budgets	£112	£3
Capital Investment and Financing	£62	£2
Other Government Grants	(£154)	(£5)
Investment Interest and Income	(£183)	(£6)
Reserves	£1,384	£43
Collection Fund	-	-
Precepts	£196	£6
Business Rate Retention	(£1,164)	(£36)
<b>Council Tax Requirement 2022/23</b>	<b>£10,453</b>	<b>£326</b>

The changes in Council Tax per Band D reflect the impacts of pay and price increases, Government grant funding reductions, the Localisation of Council Tax, which also resulted in a reduced tax base, and the retention of NNDR.

In addition, through its entrepreneurial approach, the Council has identified ongoing savings, ensuring continued delivery of quality services.

# Priorities and Key Themes

## Adult Social Care Precept

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government has 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 is the option of an adult social care authority being able to charge a "precept" of up to 2% on its council tax for the financial year beginning in 2016 without holding a referendum, to assist the authority in meeting expenditure on adult social care. Subject to the annual approval of the House of Commons, the Secretary of State intends to offer the option of charging the "precept" in relation to each financial year up to and including the financial year 2019-20.

In relation to the financial year beginning in 2016 the Secretary of State has determined (and the House of Commons has approved) a referendum principle of 4% (comprising 2% for expenditure on adult social care and 2% for other expenditure), for adult social care authorities. These authorities may therefore set council tax up to this percentage in 2016 without holding a referendum.

## Our People

The wellbeing and success of our residents and communities is of upmost importance to the Council. Our residents have varied and sometimes complex needs. We must ensure that we work with partner organisations, communities and residents themselves to address their issues and have a positive impact on their lives. We recognise that managing expectations in relation to time and resources available is essential. We are therefore clear that we will be working to improve matters over the medium to long term.

We have identified three strategic focal points within this theme of the Corporate Plan:

1. **Health & Wellbeing:** to reduce health inequalities and promote wellbeing across the district through the promotion of healthy lifestyles.
2. **Vulnerable Groups & Communities:** to create strong and self-reliant communities and promote positive life choices for disadvantaged residents.
3. **Education & Skills:** to facilitate the creation of a highly educated and skilled workforce, that meets the present and future needs of the local and wider economy.

## Our Council

Finances  
Structures  
Partnerships  
Policies  
Governance

## Our People

Leisure  
Skills  
Health & Wellbeing  
Vulnerable Groups  
& Communities

## Our Place

Economic Growth  
External Investment  
Social Regeneration  
Enhanced Environment  
Infrastructure



## Our Place

West Lindsey is a predominantly rural district, centred on three historic market towns (Caistor, Market Rasen and Gainsborough); interspersed with rural communities. It is imperative that we aim to protect what is important to current and future residents. We will achieve this by meeting the need for homes and infrastructure and diversifying the economic and employment opportunities available in the district. Improvements in particular to the road infrastructure and traffic schemes are essential to accommodate the planned growth of the district and support the development of Scampton and Hemswell Cliff, in addition to strengthening the economic corridor to the Humber and its ports. We also acknowledge that some of our communities are vulnerable and suffer from deprivation. Key to assisting such communities is the achievement and harnessing of continued economic success and ensuring that social regeneration is integrated within and across our key strategies.

We have identified three strategic focal points within this theme of the Corporate Plan:

1. Economy: to ensure that economic regeneration in West Lindsey is sustainable and benefits all of our communities.
2. Housing Growth: to facilitate quality, choice and diversity in the housing market, assist in meeting housing need and demand and deliver high quality housing related services to support growth.
3. Public Safety & Environment: to create a safer, cleaner district to live, work and socialise.



## Our Council

It is the Council's strategic aim to be a well managed and well-governed Council, delivering high quality services that demonstrate improvement and meet public aspirations. The Council is aware that, despite the challenge of reduced budgets, it has a key role to play in the current and future wellbeing of West Lindsey residents through the efficient delivery of excellent services and joint working with partners.

It must also promote the preservation of the environment and conduct its operations in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Key considerations are: ensuring effective commercial and financial planning; putting the customer at the heart of all we do; supporting our staff and Councillors to fulfil their respective roles and ensure that decision and governance arrangements support the Council in achieving its ambitions.

We have identified three strategic focal points within this theme of the Corporate Plan:

1. Finances: to remain financially sustainable.
2. Customer: to put the customer at the centre of everything we do.
3. Staff & Members: to maintain our position as a well managed and well-governed Council.





# Gainsborough Town Council

The information contained in this leaflet shows how the money received from West Lindsey District Council will be spent.

Contained within the total amount to be spent by all Parish Councils in the West Lindsey District area is the sum of £645,316 which is required by Gainsborough Town Council for the 2024/25 precept. This is equivalent to a Parish Council Tax of £129.03 per Band D property.

The precept is further analysed below:

Estimated Expenditure	Value
Employee Costs	£450,550
Administration	£46,218
Grounds Maintenance	£56,050
Richmond Park & House	£47,905
Sports Grounds (Marshalls, Levellings)	£50,683
Cemeteries (General Cemetery & North Warren Cemetery)	£52,960
Play Areas (Levellings, Aisby Walk, Danes Road, Mayflower Close, St Georges)	£140,917
Allotments (Foxby Hill, Love Lane, North Warren, Showfield, Spital Hill)	£12,440
Public Realm (Street Furniture, War Memorial)	£3,355
Events (Remembrance Sunday, Local Event Support)	£4,300
Christmas Lights	£28,600
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£893,978</b>
Less Income	£248,662
Less WLDC Contribution	£100
<b>Balance to be funded by Local Charge Payers</b>	<b>£645,216</b>

Gainsborough Town Council's precept for the year 2024/25 is as itemised under the above headings. A 4.07% rise for next year's Council Tax.



Gainsborough Town Council  
Richmond House, Richmond Park  
Morton Terrace  
Gainsborough  
Lincolnshire  
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**Gainsborough**  
TOWN COUNCIL



# Market Rasen Town Council

The information contained in this leaflet shows how the money received from West Lindsey District Council will be spent.

Contained within the total amount to be spent by all Parish Councils in the West Lindsey District area is the sum of £171,332.00 which is required by Market Rasen Town Council for the 2024/25 Precept.

This is equivalent to a council tax charge of £132.58 for a Band D property (an increase of £3.86 from the previous annual figure).

The precept amount is further analysed below:

Estimated Expenditure	Value
Employee Costs	£96,186
Administration Costs (including all administration costs, & non-domestic rates)	£39,026
Democratic Representation (including reserves for elections & Councillor expenses)	£194
Town Facilities & Recreation areas (including all maintenance, utilities, and other costs for community buildings and public realm areas owned by the council and a contribution towards the town CCTV)	£55,223
Town Events	£2,188
S 137 expenses, Grants & sponsorship	£1,667
Reserves for future investment	£32,035
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£226,519</b>
Less estimated Income	£55,187
<b>Precept Requested</b>	<b>£171,332</b>

National and international economic factors, along with environmental incidents, have impacted on our area however Market Rasen Town Council has continued to pursue a fiscally frugal budget.

The council has endeavoured to reduce costs wherever possible whilst maximising income from the hire of facilities. Service levels have increased through increased use of the Council Office and operational analysis.



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Council Office  
Festival Hall  
Caistor Road  
Market Rasen  
LN8 3HT





# Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

The information contained in this leaflet shows how the money received from West Lindsey District Council will be spent. Contained within the total amount to be spent by all parish councils in the West Lindsey district area is the sum of £266,750, which is required by Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council for the 2024/25 Precept.

Saxilby is a large village in West Lindsey, which provides many facilities and services. These include:

- Parish litter picking and litter bin emptying
- Parish verge grass cutting
- Community green spaces
- Saxilby Recreation Ground Play Area and Wheeled Park
- Saxilby Community Library Hub
- Saxilby Waterfront Public Facilities
- Mill Lane Sports Field
- Saxilby Burial Ground

Budget Area and Comments	Budget
Community grants/projects/events (grants which can be awarded to qualifying local organisations and budget for events)	£4,000
Admin, audit, finance, and democratic representation (running the parish office, staff, training, legal and professional fees, IT software and licences, internal and external audit, councillor training and elections)	£107,000
Village Maintenance (grass cutting, maintenance of public areas, vehicles and equipment, grounds staff, training, street furniture, litter picking, bin emptying, and burial ground)	£88,000
Community buildings and facilities (service provision, maintenance, and utilities: Mill Lane Sports Field, Saxilby Waterfront Facilities, Saxilby Library, St Andrews Community Centre, and centre staff)	£60,000
Capital expenditure (budget for capital items)	£7,000

The council works with residents to deliver projects and run schemes important to the local community. Current projects include:

- Saxilby and District Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) refurbishment
- Saxilby Waterfront Regeneration
- Saxilby Warm Welcome Scheme
- Saxilby Community Speed Watch Scheme

The table (left) shows an overview of areas of spend to deliver services and facilities (rounded to the nearest thousand):



Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council  
St. Andrews Centre  
William Street  
Saxilby  
Lincoln  
LN1 2LP



# Nettleham Parish Council

The information in this leaflet shows how the money received from West Lindsey District Council will be spent.

Contained within the total amount to be spent by all Parish Councils in the West Lindsey District area is the sum of £201,500 which is required by Nettleham Parish Council for the 2024/25 precept. This means that there will be a 1% increase in the annual Parish Council tax which will be £122.88 for a Band D property.

The precept is further analysed below:

Estimated Expenditure	Value
Administration	£100,288
Burial Ground	£12,980
Old School	£37,102
Mulsanne Park	£28,391
Neighbourhood Plan	£2,400
Village Amenities (Bishops Meadow, Allotments, Bill Baileys Memorial Field, Play areas, Grass cutting, Swathe, Street Furniture, Litter picking, Vicar's Wood, field paths, floral/planter displays & areas of the village beck)	£82,207
Capital reserves	£4,258
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£267,626</b>
Less Income	£66,126
<b>Balance to be funded by Local Charge Payers</b>	<b>£201,500</b>

The Parish Council plans to continue to improve local facilities which will include improvements to play areas, continuing plans to extend the burial ground, new allotments and the Climate Change Working Group will be creating wildflower meadows and walkways at The Old Quarry and tree planting at Bill Baileys Field.

It is recognised that residents continue to face mounting household expenses and we do not wish to add to such burdens. The Council have managed costs prudently throughout 2023/24 whereby savings can and have been made and this will continue through 2024/25.

There has been a further increase in new properties within the parish which provides additional contributions which has enabled us to keep the increase in the precept to just 1%.



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# Welton Parish Council

The information contained in this leaflet shows how the money received from West Lindsey District Council will be spent.

Contained within the total amount to be spent by all Parish Councils in the West Lindsey District area is the sum of £213,013 which is required by Welton Parish Council for the 2024/25 Precept.

This is a 3.58% increase from 2023/24 in council tax for a Band D property (equivalent to a council tax charge of £130.25 for a Band D property).

The precept amount is further analysed below:

Estimated Expenditure	Value
Administration	£139,500
Councillors Expenses	£150
Library	£5,170
Amenities & Services	£20,000
Facilities & Recreation	£76,500
Heritage & Events	£11,800
Vehicle Costs	£7,400
S137 expenses	£100
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£260,620</b>
Less Income	£47,607
<b>Precept Requested</b>	<b>£213,013</b>

The Council has been thoughtful in setting the budget. The main reasons for the slight increase this year are inflation increases to products and services provided to the Parish Council, planned events for the community, rises in pension costs and a 9.8% increase in the national living wage.

In April 2023, the council was proud to open two Multi Use Games Areas and an Outdoor Gym at Manor Park with funding from FCC Communities Foundation, IGas and West Lindsey District Council and a substantial contribution from the Parish Council. A Monkey Challenge Wall was installed at the Ryland Road play area using CIL monies.

In 2024, a Zip Wire and an inclusive Parent and Toddler swing will be installed in the play area at Manor Park, again with funding from West Lindsey District Council. We have an exciting year ahead with our first Music & Arts Festival, providing an opportunity for the community to come together.

The Parish Council recognises the requirement to maintain its financial reserves at recommended levels to ensure financial security against unforeseen circumstances.



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# Investing in our communities

## Lincolnshire County Council

### Investing in our communities despite financial challenges

This year the council will spend around £650m on a wide range of vital services, including £206m for adult care and community wellbeing, £114m for children's services and around £25m for the fire service.

Following additional, one-off funding from the government, the authority recently announced a further £7.8m of investment in a number of priority areas, including £3.3m to better prepare and protect communities from flooding.

There's also £2.5m for additional highways maintenance, £1m for reducing anti-social behaviour and £1m for environment-related work.

The council faces £68m in additional cost pressures from rising prices and increased demand for services, such as adult care, child protection and school transport. This includes around £6m to fund an increase in the national living wage.

The authority has managed to find around £16m in savings. Although the extra one-off funding from the government has helped to balance the budget for 2024/25, the council still faces a projected funding shortfall over the next few years.

The council will continue to push government for long-term solutions to fairer funding, the resetting of business rates and the sustainability of adult care. It will also continue to work towards a devolution deal for Greater Lincolnshire, giving local areas more control over funding.

You can find full details on this year's budget on the council's website at

[www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/budget](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/budget)

### Council tax

The authority's funding comes from a combination of council tax, business rates and government grants.

In light of increasing costs and demand for services, the council will increase its share of the council tax by 4.99% this year.

The increase is shown on your bill and will generate an extra £18.1m for the council. For a property in council tax band A, the increase would be the equivalent of an extra 96p per week.

Lincolnshire is still expected to have one of the lowest council tax rates of all 26 English shire counties.



# Changes in budget requirement

Lincolnshire County Council

Reasons for change in budget requirement and effect on council tax		£m
<b>Budget requirement 2023/24</b>		<b>604.3</b>
Changes to gross expenditure	Children's Social Care pressures	13.3
	Adult Social Care pressures	32.7
	Highways Contract cost increases	3.0
	Transport pressures	3.2
	Pay Award inflation	8.8
	Other pressures	6.8
Changes to gross income	Waste Management savings	-1.6
	Energy savings	-4.5
	Other Service savings and increased income	-9.9
	Increase in Service grants	-10.3
<b>Total change in services</b>		<b>41.5</b>
<b>Decrease in use of reserves</b>		<b>8.3</b>
<b>Budget requirement 2024/25</b>		<b>654.1</b>
Changes to funding	Increase in business rates funding	-11.3
	Increase in government grants	-15.8
	Increase in council tax	-22.7
<b>Total change in funding</b>		<b>-49.9</b>
Council tax increase of 2.0% (Adult social care precept) to support adult social care pressures		
Council tax increase of 3.0% (general) to support other service net pressures		
Total council tax increase of 5.0% (4.99%)		

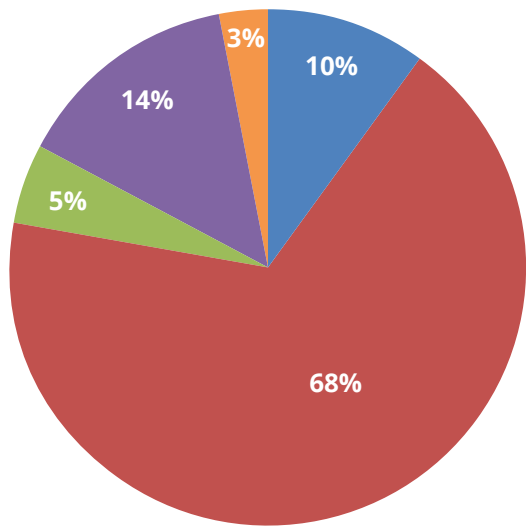
**Note:** The use of a minus (-) in front of a figure shows that either additional income will be received or that reserves will be used to support our spending.

# Capital investment & net budget spend 2024/25

Lincolnshire County Council

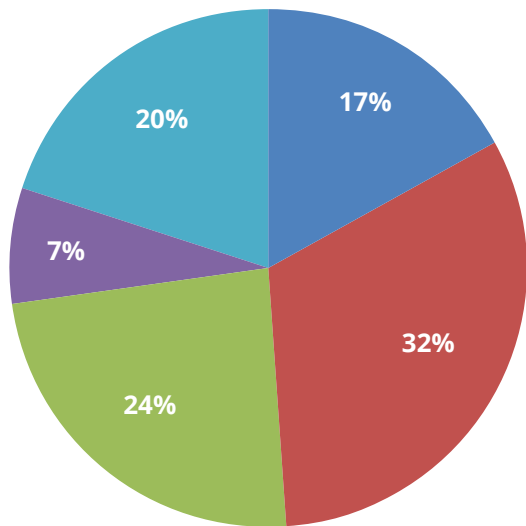
## 2024/25 Capital Investment £145m

- Children's Services - £13.93m, 10%
- Place - £98.70m, 68%
- Fire and Rescue - £7.68m, 5%
- Resources & Corporate - £19.97m, 14%
- New Developments - £4.43m, 3%



## 2024/25 Net Budget Spend £654m

- Children's Services - £113.7m, 17%
- Adult Care and Community Wellbeing - £205.6m, 32%
- Place - £159.7m, 24%
- Capital Financing Charges - £43.2m, 7%
- Other Services - £132m, 20%



**Children's Services includes:** Children's Social Care and Children's Education.

**Adult Care and Community Wellbeing Includes:** Adult Frailty & Long Term Conditions, Adult Specialities, Public Health & Community Wellbeing, Public Protection.

**Place includes:** Communities, Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Growth and Highways.

**Other Services includes:** Fire and Rescue, Resources, Corporate Services, Other Budgets.

# Our share of the council tax

## Lincolnshire County Council

The table below shows the amount you pay towards Lincolnshire County Council's services. (This does not include the amounts you pay for district councils, parish councils or the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire).

	Amount 2023/2024	Amount 2024/2025
Band <b>A</b>	£1,002.42	£1,052.46
Band <b>B</b>	£1,169.49	£1,227.87
Band <b>C</b>	£1,336.56	£1,403.28
Band <b>D</b>	£1,503.63	£1,578.69
Band <b>E</b>	£1,837.77	£1,929.51
Band <b>F</b>	£2,171.91	£2,280.33
Band <b>G</b>	£2,506.05	£2,631.15
Band <b>H</b>	£3,007.26	£3,157.38

### Flood defence

The Environment Agency is responsible for protecting people and property against flooding from sea and rivers. The majority of its funding comes from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), but Lincolnshire County Council is also making a contribution of £0.687m for 2024/25 (£0.670m for 2023/24).



# Funding and spending in 2024/25

Lincolnshire County Council

Services	Gross £m	Income £m	Net £m	Cost per Resident £
Children's Services	974.8	861.1	113.7	144.4
Adult Care & Community Wellbeing	396.6	191.0	205.6	261.2
Place	203.5	43.8	159.7	202.8
Capital Projects Charges	43.4	0.3	43.1	54.7
Other Services	161.9	29.9	132.0	167.7
<b>Total planned spending</b>	<b>1,780.1</b>	<b>1,126.0</b>	<b>654.1</b>	<b>830.8</b>
Contributions to/-from reserves	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
<b>Budget requirement</b>	<b>1,780.1</b>	<b>1,126.0</b>	<b>654.1</b>	<b>830.8</b>
<b>Resourced by:</b>				
Business Rates Local Retention			152.7	
Revenue Support Grant			26.4	
Other Grants			86.8	
<b>County Precept</b>			<b>388.3</b>	
<b>Total Funding</b>			<b>654.1</b>	

**Children's Services includes:** Children's Social Care and Children's Education.

**Adult Care and Community Wellbeing includes:** Adult Frailty & Long Term Conditions, Adult Specialties, Public Health & Community Wellbeing, Public Protection.

**Place includes:** Communities (which includes Cultural Services, Waste Management, Environment and Flood Management, Transport (including Home to School/College), Sustainable Planning), Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Growth and Highways.

**Other Services includes:** Fire and Rescue, Resources, Corporate Services, Other Budgets.

# Funding and spending in 2023/24

## Lincolnshire County Council

Services	Gross £m	Income £m	Net £m	Cost per Resident £
Children's Services	878.9	781.5	97.4	126.6
Adult Care & Community Wellbeing	363.7	185.9	177.8	231.0
Place	183.0	39.7	143.3	186.2
Capital Projects Charges	43.4	0.3	43.1	56.0
Other Services	178.7	28.3	150.4	195.5
<b>Total planned spending</b>	<b>1,647.6</b>	<b>1,035.7</b>	<b>612.0</b>	<b>795.2</b>
Contributions to/-from reserves	-7.5	0.0	-7.5	N/A
<b>Budget requirement</b>	<b>1,640.1</b>	<b>1,035.7</b>	<b>604.4</b>	<b>795.2</b>
<b>Resourced by:</b>				
Business Rates Local Retention			141.4	
Revenue Support Grant			23.4	
Other Grants			74.0	
<b>County Precept</b>			<b>365.6</b>	
<b>Total Funding</b>			<b>604.4</b>	

The Secretary of State 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 without holding a referendum, to assist the authority in meeting its expenditure on adult social care from the financial year 2016-17. It was originally made in respect of the financial years up to and including 2019-20. If the Secretary of State chooses to renew this offer in respect of a particular financial year, this is subject to the approval of the House of Commons."

The offer has been extended to cover the financial years 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.

# Your police Council Tax explained 2024



**Lincolnshire  
POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**  
SAFER TOGETHER

# How your council tax will be spent on fighting crime and keeping communities safe



**Police and Crime Commissioner Marc Jones and Chief Constable Paul Gibson explain how the extra council tax raised this year will be invested in front line policing to keep you and your community safe.**

## **This extra money will be dedicated to:**

- Maximising the number of police officers in the Force
- New approach to preventing and tackling anti-social behaviour to improve safety for all residents
- Explore and exploit emerging technologies such as facial recognition to identify and apprehend criminals faster than ever before
- Expand the successful Roads Policing “Operation Stronghold” – denying criminals use of the roads and keeping our communities even safer
- Develop and use targeted approaches and teams to tackle issues such as summertime demand, rural crime, burglary and retail crime
- Introduce rapid video technology – speeding up engagement with victims of crime, getting them the help they need even faster
- Transform availability and quality of crime prevention advice and guidance to help keep communities safe from crime
- Build on crime reduction results in local neighbourhoods, developing new ways to target organised criminality and drug supply in our communities





Great strides have been made in Lincolnshire to create a police force to be proud of; one that prevents and tackles crime and continues to evolve to meet new crime types and challenges to keep us all safe. A debt of gratitude is owed to county tax payers for supporting that development.

Without the financial backing of residents, prudent financial planning and investment in innovation and new technology we would not have the effective and efficient police force of today.

Last year that support meant the PCC funded the maximising of officer numbers, additional 999/101 call handlers, more specialists to tackle the worst of crimes and invest in a new deployment model, so more officers are available when they are needed most to tackle and reduce crime.

However, we must do more to protect and serve our communities.

The PCC has appointed a new Chief Constable, Paul Gibson, who is eager to build on current successes and make Lincolnshire communities even safer.

For next year the planned budget for the Chief Constable will be £160m – up from £146m the previous year.

The PCC and the Chief Constable both recognise the financial challenges ahead and are experienced in meeting them. They are committed to managing the Lincolnshire Police finances effectively and efficiently.

Government has committed to changing the national funding method for policing but it is unclear when any changes would take place.

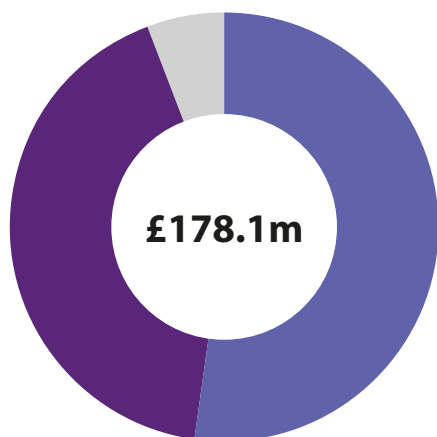
Any changes that are delivered would be phased over a number of years leaving the tough financial challenges still to be met and managed locally.

However, Lincolnshire has a history of meeting challenges head on with determination and innovation and the dedication to keeping the county's communities safe will continue.



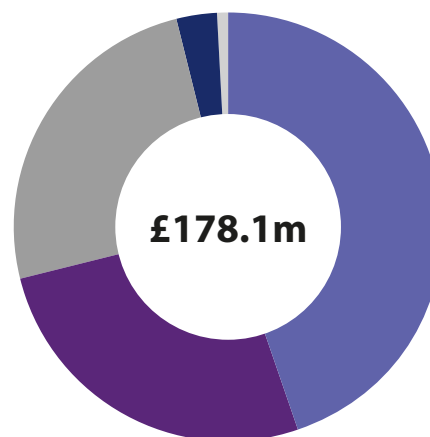
## What money do we receive and how is it spent?

### INCOME



- **Government grants**  
£93.1m (52.3%)
- **Council tax** £74.8m (42%)
- **Contribution from reserves  
and other income** £10.2m (5.7%)

### EXPENDITURE



- **Police officers** £80m (44.9%)
- **Police staff and PCSOs** £46.8m (26.3%)
- **Other costs\*** £44.6m (25%)
- **Capital financing** £5.3m (3%)
- **Office of the PCC** £1.4m (0.8%)

*\*including custody, fleet, premises and regional collaboration*

Property band	Cost last year (£)	Increase this year (£)	Cost this year (£)	Cost per week this year (£)	Increase per week (pence)
A	194.16	8.64	202.80	3.90	17
B	226.52	10.08	236.60	4.55	19
C	258.88	11.52	270.40	5.20	22
D	291.24	12.96	304.20	5.85	25
E	355.96	15.84	371.80	7.15	30
F	420.68	18.72	439.40	8.45	36
G	485.40	21.60	507.00	9.75	42
H	582.48	25.92	608.40	11.70	50

# West Lindsey District Council Parish Precepts

The District Council has set Band D council tax of £2124.44 (District Council £241.55, Lincolnshire County Council £1,578.69 and Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner £304.20) for this area for the chargeable financial year beginning 1st April 2024.

The Lincolnshire County Council amount includes £217.80 being the additional sum being collected in respect of Adult Social Care. Additional amounts have been set for those parts of the Council's area included in the following table for the precepts of local councils.

Local Council	Parish Precept 2023/24	Parish Precept 2024/25	Band D Charge 2024/25
Bardney - Apley - Stainfield	78,900	83,590	113.86
Bigby	6,400	6,900	39.50
Bishop Norton	6,650	6,650	47.78
Blyton	37,400	7,400	18.90
Brattleby	3,170	3,400	66.98
Broadholme	600	800	20.58
Brookenby	22,486	25,380	146.04
Burton	4,900	7,900	18.24
Caistor	109,786	124,344	119.94
Cammeringham	900	900	16.93
Cherry Willingham	93,900	101,900	73.13
Claxby	5,575	6,400	93.40
Corringham	12,990	14,900	83.48
Dunholme	51,977	53,977	64.92
East Stockwith	4,900	4,900	70.78
Faldingworth	9,453	9,462	51.45
Fenton	6,100	6,900	41.72
Fillingham	5,619	5,901	62.56
Fiskerton	24,587	24,587	65.34
Gainsborough	612,785	645,216	129.03
Glentham	9,800	10,300	59.68
Glentworth	10,500	10,818	87.38
Grasby	4,665	5,300	27.80
Great Limber	10,400	10,900	133.24
Greetwell	12,164	13,726	33.29
Hackthorn - Cold Hanworth	2,105	2,325	27.05

Local Council	Parish Precept 2023/24	Parish Precept 2024/25	Band D Charge 2024/25
Heapham	200	300	7.19
Hemswell	7,400	9,350	72.14
Hemswell Cliff	15,950	16,950	91.76
Ingham	24,050	25,258	70.67
Keelby	25,387	26,650	38.11
Kettlethorpe	10,400	10,900	65.05
Kexby	1,900	1,900	16.47
Knaith	3,834	5,054	39.29
Langworth - Barlings - Newball	31,690	32,644	132.60
Laughton	6,330	9,400	61.17
Lea	21,900	21,900	54.25
Legsby	1,650	1,400	17.84
Market Rasen	163,074	171,232	132.58
Marton - Gate Burton	11,900	13,900	57.37
Middle Rasen	18,900	19,246	25.55
Morton	15,363	15,878	36.52
Nettleham	195,923	201,400	122.82
Nettleton	13,900	13,900	57.35
Newton-On-Trent	16,900	16,900	119.46
Normanby-By-Spital	8,870	9,650	68.03
North Kelsey	19,315	21,800	59.89
Northorpe	2,900	3,200	62.59
Osgodby	8,818	9,900	44.33
Owersby	2,350	1,900	17.75
Owmby-By-Spital	9,885	10,880	89.65
Reepham	9,120	9,120	26.50
Riby	1,050	500	10.51
Riseholme	1,900	1,900	15.09
Rothwell	4,156	4,156	56.98
Saxby	150	150	7.93



Local Council	Parish Precept 2023/24	Parish Precept 2024/25	Band D Charge 2024/25
Saxilby - Ingleby	246,120	266,650	159.54
Scampton	24,900	24,900	68.81
Scothern	32,110	30,900	79.69
Scotter	73,100	73,100	62.37
Scotton	10,900	11,900	53.03
Snitterby	2,898	3,424	38.74
South Kelsey	12,039	13,840	62.84
Spidlington	3,400	3,900	41.61
Springthorpe	1,670	1,004	16.81
Stow	4,900	5,900	43.93
Sturton-By-Stow	30,337	36,400	69.09
Sudbrooke	32,380	33,900	45.06
Swallow	8,139	9,375	106.61
Tealby	16,350	17,900	63.24
Toft Newton	9,900	10,300	76.25
Torksey	15,900	16,400	57.81
Upton	8,900	7,400	43.58
Waddingham	8,900	9,400	44.65
Walesby	2,500	2,630	24.29
Welton	202,150	212,913	130.25
Wickenby	3,903	4,104	49.85
Willingham	13,900	13,900	69.24
Willoughton	7,900	8,444	75.39

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