



Northumberland

County Council

Council Tax Financial Year 2025-2026

Band Charges for 2025-2026

The council has set the council tax for the year commencing 1 April 2025 as shown below:

	Northumberland County Council	Adult Social Care Precept	Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria
Band A	1216.97	230.36	130.56
Band B	1419.80	268.75	152.32
Band C	1622.63	307.15	174.08
Band D	1825.46	345.54	195.84
Band E	2231.12	422.33	239.36
Band F	2636.78	499.11	282.88
Band G	3042.43	575.90	326.40
Band H	3650.92	691.08	391.68

The adult social care precept is now included in the Northumberland County Council charge shown on your bill.

The figures above exclude parish and town council precepts which are available on the next pages.

The figures take no account of council tax support.

For parish and town council precepts, please contact the clerk of your parish or town council for details of what the precept is used for.

For parish or town council contact details, please visit
www.northumberland.gov.uk/Councillors/Parish-Town.aspx

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
North											
10,860	Acklington	11,294	35.33	1,601.44	1,868.35	2,135.26	2,402.17	2,935.99	3,469.80	4,003.61	4,804.34
2,500	Adderstone with Lucker	3,000	19.29	1,590.75	1,855.87	2,121.01	2,386.13	2,916.39	3,446.63	3,976.88	4,772.26
0	Akeld (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
15,210	Alnmouth	17,300	46.73	1,609.04	1,877.22	2,145.40	2,413.57	2,949.92	3,486.27	4,022.61	4,827.14
428,591	Alnwick	477,381	147.20	1,676.02	1,955.36	2,234.70	2,514.04	3,072.72	3,631.39	4,190.06	5,028.08
800	Alwinton	800	14.17	1,587.34	1,851.89	2,116.46	2,381.01	2,910.13	3,439.24	3,968.35	4,762.02
234,463	Amble	265,206	124.68	1,661.01	1,937.84	2,214.69	2,491.52	3,045.20	3,598.86	4,152.53	4,983.04
8,000	Ancroft	8,475	27.20	1,596.02	1,862.03	2,128.04	2,394.04	2,926.05	3,458.06	3,990.06	4,788.08
11,800	Bamburgh	12,100	28.19	1,596.68	1,862.80	2,128.92	2,395.03	2,927.26	3,459.49	3,991.71	4,790.06
13,000	Beadnell	20,000	25.74	1,595.05	1,860.89	2,126.74	2,392.58	2,924.27	3,455.95	3,987.63	4,785.16
11,000	Belford with Middleton	13,000	18.23	1,590.04	1,855.05	2,120.06	2,385.07	2,915.09	3,445.10	3,975.11	4,770.14
364,311	Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council	401,775	109.54	1,650.92	1,926.07	2,201.23	2,476.38	3,026.69	3,576.99	4,127.30	4,952.76
0	Bewick (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
1,800	Biddlestone & Netherton	2,000	15.99	1,588.55	1,853.31	2,118.07	2,382.83	2,912.35	3,441.87	3,971.38	4,765.66
1,300	Bowsden	1,300	14.61	1,587.63	1,852.23	2,116.85	2,381.45	2,910.67	3,439.87	3,969.08	4,762.90
0	Branxton	2,500	44.66	1,607.66	1,875.61	2,143.56	2,411.50	2,947.39	3,483.28	4,019.16	4,823.00
0	Brinkburn & Hesleyhurst	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5,277	Brinkburn & Hesleyhurst - Brinkburn	5,820	54.72	1,614.37	1,883.43	2,152.50	2,421.56	2,959.69	3,497.81	4,035.93	4,843.12
1,223	Brinkburn & Hesleyhurst - Hesleyhurst	1,180	98.50	1,643.56	1,917.48	2,191.42	2,465.34	3,013.20	3,561.05	4,108.90	4,930.68
2,500	Carham	2,500	16.60	1,588.96	1,853.78	2,118.62	2,383.44	2,913.10	3,442.75	3,972.40	4,766.88
0	Cheviotside (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
4,767	Cornhill	5,720	38.40	1,603.49	1,870.74	2,137.99	2,405.24	2,939.74	3,474.24	4,008.73	4,810.48
10,168	Craster	15,000	76.50	1,628.89	1,900.37	2,171.86	2,443.34	2,986.31	3,529.27	4,072.23	4,886.68
5,917	Cresswell	5,917	48.76	1,610.40	1,878.79	2,147.20	2,415.60	2,952.41	3,489.20	4,026.00	4,831.20
600	Denwick	600	4.86	1,581.13	1,844.65	2,108.18	2,371.70	2,898.75	3,425.79	3,952.83	4,743.40

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
<u>North</u>											
1,500	Doddington	2,000	20.91	1,591.83	1,857.13	2,122.45	2,387.75	2,918.37	3,448.97	3,979.58	4,775.50
800	Duddo	800	8.82	1,583.77	1,847.73	2,111.70	2,375.66	2,903.59	3,431.51	3,959.43	4,751.32
0	Earle (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
59,000	East Chevington	60,000	71.72	1,625.70	1,896.65	2,167.61	2,438.56	2,980.47	3,522.37	4,064.26	4,877.12
700	Edlingham	700	7.00	1,582.56	1,846.31	2,110.08	2,373.84	2,901.37	3,428.88	3,956.40	4,747.68
7,270	Eglingham	7,270	35.10	1,601.29	1,868.17	2,135.06	2,401.94	2,935.71	3,469.47	4,003.23	4,803.88
3,800	Ellingham	3,800	21.14	1,591.98	1,857.31	2,122.65	2,387.98	2,918.65	3,449.31	3,979.96	4,775.96
1,800	Elsdon	2,000	20.39	1,591.48	1,856.73	2,121.98	2,387.23	2,917.73	3,448.22	3,978.71	4,774.46
13,000	Embleton	16,250	29.81	1,597.76	1,864.06	2,130.36	2,396.65	2,929.24	3,461.83	3,994.41	4,793.30
0	Ewart (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
36,867	Felton	35,160	76.29	1,628.75	1,900.21	2,171.67	2,443.13	2,986.05	3,528.97	4,071.88	4,886.26
3,200	Ford	3,700	18.92	1,590.50	1,855.59	2,120.68	2,385.76	2,915.93	3,446.10	3,976.26	4,771.52
2,100	Glantton	2,100	15.44	1,588.18	1,852.88	2,117.58	2,382.28	2,911.68	3,441.07	3,970.46	4,764.56
1,500	Harbottle	1,250	8.46	1,583.53	1,847.45	2,111.38	2,375.30	2,903.15	3,430.99	3,958.83	4,750.60
3,600	Hartburn	3,700	32.41	1,599.50	1,866.08	2,132.67	2,399.25	2,932.42	3,465.58	3,998.75	4,798.50
8,000	Hauxley	8,000	65.56	1,621.60	1,891.86	2,162.14	2,432.40	2,972.94	3,513.47	4,054.00	4,864.80
2,000	Hebron	2,000	8.64	1,583.65	1,847.59	2,111.54	2,375.48	2,903.37	3,431.25	3,959.13	4,750.96
6,500	Hedgeley	7,500	37.69	1,603.02	1,870.18	2,137.36	2,404.53	2,938.88	3,473.21	4,007.55	4,809.06
1,200	Hepple	1,200	14.14	1,587.32	1,851.87	2,116.43	2,380.98	2,910.09	3,439.19	3,968.30	4,761.96
13,000	Hepscott	13,000	18.02	1,589.90	1,854.89	2,119.88	2,384.86	2,914.83	3,444.80	3,974.76	4,769.72
0	Hollinghill & Rothley	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1,489	Hollinghill & Rothley - Hollinghill	1,486	50.61	1,611.63	1,880.23	2,148.85	2,417.45	2,954.67	3,491.87	4,029.08	4,834.90
642	Hollinghill & Rothley - Rothley	645	9.25	1,584.06	1,848.06	2,112.08	2,376.09	2,904.12	3,432.13	3,960.15	4,752.18
560	Holy Island	700	4.53	1,580.91	1,844.39	2,107.89	2,371.37	2,898.35	3,425.31	3,952.28	4,742.74
12,625	Horncliffe	12,625	65.34	1,621.45	1,891.69	2,161.94	2,432.18	2,972.67	3,513.15	4,053.63	4,864.36

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
<u>North</u>											
1,000	Ingram	1,250	13.90	1,587.16	1,851.68	2,116.22	2,380.74	2,909.80	3,438.85	3,967.90	4,761.48
0	Kilham (no parish council)	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
2,550	Kirknewton	2,650	39.30	1,604.09	1,871.44	2,138.79	2,406.14	2,940.84	3,475.54	4,010.23	4,812.28
1,200	Kyloe	1,400	8.12	1,583.30	1,847.19	2,111.08	2,374.96	2,902.73	3,430.50	3,958.26	4,749.92
17,000	Lesbury	17,000	32.37	1,599.47	1,866.05	2,132.63	2,399.21	2,932.37	3,465.53	3,998.68	4,798.42
10,000	Longframlington	13,000	18.98	1,590.54	1,855.63	2,120.73	2,385.82	2,916.01	3,446.19	3,976.36	4,771.64
8,000	Longhirst	8,000	32.76	1,599.73	1,866.35	2,132.98	2,399.60	2,932.85	3,466.09	3,999.33	4,799.20
28,560	Longhorsley	30,460	75.66	1,628.33	1,899.72	2,171.11	2,442.50	2,985.28	3,528.06	4,070.83	4,885.00
26,798	Longhoughton	29,478	43.81	1,607.10	1,874.94	2,142.80	2,410.65	2,946.36	3,482.05	4,017.75	4,821.30
6,000	Lowick	6,270	24.01	1,593.90	1,859.54	2,125.20	2,390.85	2,922.16	3,453.45	3,984.75	4,781.70
2,345	Meldon	2,345	17.33	1,589.44	1,854.35	2,119.26	2,384.17	2,913.99	3,443.80	3,973.61	4,768.34
3,700	Milfield	4,250	44.88	1,607.81	1,875.78	2,143.75	2,411.72	2,947.66	3,483.60	4,019.53	4,823.44
9,300	Mitford	9,672	35.47	1,601.54	1,868.46	2,135.39	2,402.31	2,936.16	3,470.00	4,003.85	4,804.62
759,515	Morpeth Town Council	775,110	125.18	1,661.34	1,938.23	2,215.13	2,492.02	3,045.81	3,599.59	4,153.36	4,984.04
7,600	Netherwitton	7,600	53.63	1,613.64	1,882.58	2,151.53	2,420.47	2,958.36	3,496.24	4,034.11	4,840.94
5,400	Newton by the Sea	6,000	37.14	1,602.65	1,869.76	2,136.87	2,403.98	2,938.20	3,472.42	4,006.63	4,807.96
22,000	Newton on the Moor/Swarland	27,000	49.19	1,610.68	1,879.13	2,147.58	2,416.03	2,952.93	3,489.82	4,026.71	4,832.06
5,800	Norham	6,800	27.62	1,596.30	1,862.35	2,128.41	2,394.46	2,926.57	3,458.67	3,990.76	4,788.92
18,000	North Sunderland	22,000	20.41	1,593.95	1,859.59	2,125.26	2,390.92	2,922.25	3,453.55	3,984.87	4,781.84
2,136	Nunnykirk	2,349	33.83	1,600.44	1,867.18	2,133.93	2,400.67	2,934.16	3,467.64	4,001.11	4,801.34
29,250	Ord	30,900	48.33	1,610.11	1,878.46	2,146.82	2,415.17	2,951.88	3,488.58	4,025.28	4,830.34
127,791	Pegswood	128,289	128.54	1,663.58	1,940.85	2,218.12	2,495.38	3,049.91	3,604.44	4,158.96	4,990.76
8,742	Rennington	9,722	44.50	1,607.56	1,875.48	2,143.42	2,411.34	2,947.20	3,483.05	4,018.90	4,822.68
110,641	Rothbury	110,618	105.05	1,647.92	1,922.58	2,197.24	2,471.89	3,021.20	3,570.51	4,119.81	4,943.78
36,210	Shilbottle	37,152	67.99	1,623.22	1,893.75	2,164.30	2,434.83	2,975.91	3,516.98	4,058.05	4,869.66

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
<u>North</u>											
883	Shoreswood	928	20.11	1,591.30	1,856.51	2,121.74	2,386.95	2,917.39	3,447.82	3,978.25	4,773.90
1,881	Snitter	1,864	38.38	1,603.48	1,870.72	2,137.98	2,405.22	2,939.72	3,474.21	4,008.70	4,810.44
36,100	Stannington	37,000	33.90	1,600.49	1,867.24	2,133.99	2,400.74	2,934.24	3,467.74	4,001.23	4,801.48
10,500	Thirston	10,750	33.07	1,599.94	1,866.59	2,133.26	2,399.91	2,933.23	3,466.54	3,999.85	4,799.82
16,071	Thropton	16,418	63.86	1,620.46	1,890.54	2,160.62	2,430.70	2,970.86	3,511.01	4,051.16	4,861.40
4,950	Tillside	5,445	15.30	1,588.09	1,852.77	2,117.46	2,382.14	2,911.51	3,440.87	3,970.23	4,764.28
6,556	Togston	6,556	58.44	1,616.85	1,886.32	2,155.81	2,425.28	2,964.24	3,503.18	4,042.13	4,850.56
5,900	Tritlington & West Chevington	5,900	36.11	1,601.96	1,868.96	2,135.96	2,402.95	2,936.94	3,470.93	4,004.91	4,805.90
11,600	Ulgham	11,693	67.44	1,622.85	1,893.32	2,163.81	2,434.28	2,975.24	3,516.18	4,057.13	4,868.56
3,500	Wallington	3,500	21.86	1,592.46	1,857.87	2,123.29	2,388.70	2,919.53	3,450.35	3,981.16	4,777.40
69,700	Warkworth	69,700	67.84	1,623.12	1,893.63	2,164.16	2,434.68	2,975.73	3,516.76	4,057.80	4,869.36
9,470	Whittingham, Callaly & Alnham	10,070	30.43	1,598.18	1,864.54	2,130.91	2,397.27	2,930.00	3,462.72	3,995.45	4,794.54
5,500	Whitton & Tosson	6,750	86.75	1,635.72	1,908.34	2,180.97	2,453.59	2,998.84	3,544.08	4,089.31	4,907.18
75,566	Widdrington Station and Stobswood	89,250	100.44	1,644.85	1,918.99	2,193.14	2,467.28	3,015.57	3,563.85	4,112.13	4,934.56
7,400	Widdrington Village	2,750	35.85	1,601.79	1,868.75	2,135.73	2,402.69	2,936.63	3,470.55	4,004.48	4,805.38
33,717	Wooler	41,600	50.06	1,611.26	1,879.81	2,148.36	2,416.90	2,953.99	3,491.08	4,028.16	4,833.80
<u>South East</u>											
899,950	Ashington	958,605	115.94	1,655.18	1,931.05	2,206.92	2,482.78	3,034.51	3,586.24	4,137.96	4,965.56
1,448,766	Blyth Town Council	1,490,046	135.44	1,668.18	1,946.21	2,224.25	2,502.28	3,058.35	3,614.41	4,170.46	5,004.56
448,966	Choppington	462,435	175.15	1,694.66	1,977.10	2,259.55	2,541.99	3,106.88	3,671.76	4,236.65	5,083.98
1,154,000	Cramlington Town Council	1,179,000	125.09	1,661.28	1,938.16	2,215.05	2,491.93	3,045.70	3,599.46	4,153.21	4,983.86
300,549	East Bedlington	300,549	142.39	1,672.82	1,951.62	2,230.43	2,509.23	3,066.84	3,624.44	4,182.05	5,018.46
65,000	Ellington & Linton	65,000	63.54	1,620.25	1,890.29	2,160.34	2,430.38	2,970.47	3,510.55	4,050.63	4,860.76
31,000	Lynemouth	32,000	81.03	1,631.91	1,903.89	2,175.89	2,447.87	2,991.85	3,535.81	4,079.78	4,895.74
275,509	Newbiggin by the Sea	305,586	198.51	1,710.23	1,995.27	2,280.31	2,565.35	3,135.43	3,705.51	4,275.58	5,130.70
622,320	Seaton Valley	651,350	132.37	1,666.14	1,943.82	2,221.52	2,499.21	3,054.60	3,609.97	4,165.35	4,998.42
286,494	West Bedlington	298,258	86.69	1,635.68	1,908.30	2,180.92	2,453.53	2,998.76	3,543.99	4,089.21	4,907.06

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Precept		Precept	Band D								
West											
59,000	Acomb	61,000	116.39	1,655.48	1,931.40	2,207.32	2,483.23	3,035.06	3,586.89	4,138.71	4,966.46
43,000	Allendale	46,000	49.57	1,610.94	1,879.42	2,147.92	2,416.41	2,953.40	3,490.37	4,027.35	4,832.82
5,180	Bardon Mill	5,336	27.25	1,596.06	1,862.06	2,128.08	2,394.09	2,926.12	3,458.13	3,990.15	4,788.18
1,600	Bavington	1,600	32.52	1,599.57	1,866.16	2,132.77	2,399.36	2,932.56	3,465.74	3,998.93	4,798.72
38,000	Bellingham	40,000	87.39	1,636.15	1,908.84	2,181.54	2,454.23	2,999.62	3,545.00	4,090.38	4,908.46
5,000	Belsay	5,000	18.93	1,590.51	1,855.59	2,120.69	2,385.77	2,915.95	3,446.11	3,976.28	4,771.54
4,115	Birtley	4,115	49.13	1,610.64	1,879.08	2,147.53	2,415.97	2,952.86	3,489.74	4,026.61	4,831.94
1,610	Blanchland	1,610	25.57	1,594.94	1,860.76	2,126.59	2,392.41	2,924.06	3,455.70	3,987.35	4,784.82
49,600	Broomhaugh & Riding	52,050	108.17	1,650.00	1,925.00	2,200.01	2,475.01	3,025.02	3,575.02	4,125.01	4,950.02
10,500	Bywell	10,500	52.23	1,612.71	1,881.49	2,150.29	2,419.07	2,956.65	3,494.21	4,031.78	4,838.14
3,045	Capheaton	3,045	36.59	1,602.28	1,869.33	2,136.38	2,403.43	2,937.53	3,471.62	4,005.71	4,806.86
8,000	Chollerton	8,960	26.75	1,595.72	1,861.68	2,127.64	2,393.59	2,925.50	3,457.41	3,989.31	4,787.18
4,200	Coanwood	4,500	44.34	1,607.45	1,875.36	2,143.27	2,411.18	2,947.00	3,482.82	4,018.63	4,822.36
168,000	Corbridge	182,214	90.37	1,638.14	1,911.16	2,184.19	2,457.21	3,003.26	3,549.30	4,095.35	4,914.42
10,000	Corsenside	10,500	45.69	1,608.35	1,876.41	2,144.47	2,412.53	2,948.65	3,484.77	4,020.88	4,825.06
4,450	Falstone	4,450	43.83	1,607.11	1,874.96	2,142.82	2,410.67	2,946.38	3,482.08	4,017.78	4,821.34
2,900	Featherstone	2,900	45.45	1,608.19	1,876.22	2,144.26	2,412.29	2,948.36	3,484.42	4,020.48	4,824.58
9,240	Greenhead	9,517	70.11	1,624.63	1,895.40	2,166.18	2,436.95	2,978.50	3,520.04	4,061.58	4,873.90
150,000	Haltwhistle Town Council	180,000	155.83	1,681.78	1,962.07	2,242.38	2,522.67	3,083.27	3,643.86	4,204.45	5,045.34
0	Hartleyburn	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
52,000	Haydon	46,000	54.90	1,614.49	1,883.57	2,152.66	2,421.74	2,959.91	3,498.07	4,036.23	4,843.48
3,000	Healey	3,000	39.85	1,604.46	1,871.86	2,139.28	2,406.69	2,941.52	3,476.33	4,011.15	4,813.38
42,638	Heddon On The Wall	43,920	65.20	1,621.36	1,891.58	2,161.82	2,432.04	2,972.50	3,512.95	4,053.40	4,864.08
8,250	Hedley	9,500	83.14	1,633.32	1,905.53	2,177.76	2,449.98	2,994.43	3,538.86	4,083.30	4,899.96
16,940	Henshaw	17,448	65.16	1,621.33	1,891.55	2,161.78	2,432.00	2,972.45	3,512.89	4,053.33	4,864.00

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
<u>West</u>											
514,000	Hexham Town Council	591,100	129.81	1,664.43	1,941.83	2,219.25	2,496.65	3,051.47	3,606.27	4,161.08	4,993.30
9,000	Hexhamshire & District	9,300	27.28	1,596.08	1,862.09	2,128.11	2,394.12	2,926.15	3,458.17	3,990.20	4,788.24
12,000	Horsley	12,600	68.65	1,623.66	1,894.26	2,164.88	2,435.49	2,976.72	3,517.93	4,059.15	4,870.98
13,000	Humshaugh	15,600	42.32	1,606.10	1,873.79	2,141.48	2,409.16	2,944.53	3,479.90	4,015.26	4,818.32
11,750	Kielder	12,500	157.73	1,683.04	1,963.55	2,244.06	2,524.57	3,085.59	3,646.60	4,207.61	5,049.14
8,000	Kirkwhelpington	9,000	55.71	1,615.03	1,884.20	2,153.38	2,422.55	2,960.90	3,499.24	4,037.58	4,845.10
5,109	Knaresdale with Kirkhaugh	5,211	34.97	1,601.20	1,868.07	2,134.94	2,401.81	2,935.55	3,469.28	4,003.01	4,803.62
12,000	Matfen	12,000	42.98	1,606.54	1,874.30	2,142.06	2,409.82	2,945.34	3,480.85	4,016.36	4,819.64
5,500	Melkridge	5,500	57.24	1,616.05	1,885.39	2,154.74	2,424.08	2,962.77	3,501.45	4,040.13	4,848.16
12,000	Newbrough	12,500	58.91	1,617.16	1,886.69	2,156.22	2,425.75	2,964.81	3,503.86	4,042.91	4,851.50
6,582	Otterburn	6,582	26.47	1,595.54	1,861.46	2,127.39	2,393.31	2,925.16	3,457.00	3,988.85	4,786.62
15,300	Ovingham	16,000	39.48	1,604.21	1,871.58	2,138.95	2,406.32	2,941.06	3,475.80	4,010.53	4,812.64
6,500	Ovington	7,000	33.69	1,600.35	1,867.07	2,133.81	2,400.53	2,933.99	3,467.43	4,000.88	4,801.06
3,098	Plenmeller with Whitfield	3,330	36.81	1,602.43	1,869.50	2,136.58	2,403.65	2,937.80	3,471.94	4,006.08	4,807.30
458,576	Ponteland Town Council	462,468	73.87	1,627.14	1,898.32	2,169.52	2,440.71	2,983.10	3,525.47	4,067.85	4,881.42
425,544	Prudhoe Town Council	433,551	122.58	1,659.61	1,936.21	2,212.82	2,489.42	3,042.63	3,595.83	4,149.03	4,978.84
7,500	Rochester	7,500	63.04	1,619.92	1,889.90	2,159.90	2,429.88	2,969.86	3,509.83	4,049.80	4,859.76
7,000	Sandhoe	7,000	32.96	1,599.86	1,866.51	2,133.16	2,399.80	2,933.09	3,466.38	3,999.66	4,799.60
8,000	Shotley Low Quarter	8,500	30.67	1,598.34	1,864.72	2,131.12	2,397.51	2,930.30	3,463.07	3,995.85	4,795.02
4,500	Simonburn	4,750	72.11	1,625.96	1,896.96	2,167.96	2,438.95	2,980.94	3,522.93	4,064.91	4,877.90
13,400	Slaley	0	0.00	1,577.89	1,840.87	2,103.86	2,366.84	2,892.81	3,418.77	3,944.73	4,733.68
5,500	Stamfordham	6,500	15.29	1,588.08	1,852.76	2,117.45	2,382.13	2,911.50	3,440.86	3,970.21	4,764.26
105,016	Stocksfield	105,016	78.51	1,630.23	1,901.93	2,173.65	2,445.35	2,988.77	3,532.17	4,075.58	4,890.70
5,000	Tarset with Greystead	5,000	33.36	1,600.13	1,866.82	2,133.51	2,400.20	2,933.58	3,466.96	4,000.33	4,800.40
6,300	Thirlwall	7,000	40.04	1,604.58	1,872.01	2,139.45	2,406.88	2,941.75	3,476.61	4,011.46	4,813.76

2024-25	Parish	2025-26	Parish	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Parish		Parish	Only	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precept		Precept	Band D								
	<u>West</u>										
8,744	Wall	9,618	45.53	1,608.24	1,876.28	2,144.33	2,412.37	2,948.46	3,484.54	4,020.61	4,824.74
10,000	Warden	10,000	36.52	1,602.24	1,869.27	2,136.32	2,403.36	2,937.45	3,471.52	4,005.60	4,806.72
13,200	Wark	14,520	47.39	1,609.48	1,877.73	2,145.98	2,414.23	2,950.73	3,487.22	4,023.71	4,828.46
1,029	West Allen	1,029	7.87	1,583.14	1,846.99	2,110.86	2,374.71	2,902.43	3,430.14	3,957.85	4,749.42
8,000	Whalton	8,000	26.68	1,595.68	1,861.62	2,127.58	2,393.52	2,925.42	3,457.31	3,989.20	4,787.04
6,500	Whittington	7,000	29.42	1,597.50	1,863.75	2,130.01	2,396.26	2,928.77	3,461.27	3,993.76	4,792.52
54,000	Wylam	57,000	64.19	1,620.68	1,890.80	2,160.92	2,431.03	2,971.26	3,511.49	4,051.71	4,862.06

Special Expenses 2025-2026

Parish

North Sunderland	£3957.00	Play area inspection and maintenance
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Total	£3957.00	
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2025-2026 Parish / Town councils with precepts over £140,000

Full details of parish and town councils with precepts over £140,000 are shown below.

For parish and town council contact details visit www.northumberland.gov.uk

ALNWICK TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	166,869	201,543
Recreation and Leisure Services	97,092	93,107
Environmental Services	48,628	104,654
Cemeteries	35,302	73,787
Grants and Subsidies	42,000	22,000
Other Services	38,700	88,050
Total Cost (Net)	428,591	583,141
Contributions to/from Reserves	-	105,760
Grants	-	-
Precept	428,591	477,381

AMBLE TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	188,055	218,106
Recreation and Leisure Services	12,640	12,540
Environmental Services	10,020	11,820
Cemeteries	20,717	23,317
Grants and Subsidies	10,300	10,600
Other Services	9,941	9,000
Total Cost (Net)	251,673	285,383
Contributions to/from Reserves	17,210	20,177
Grants	-	-
Precept	234,463	265,206

ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	354,481	393,202
Recreation and Leisure Services	95,100	97,303
Environmental Services	342,130	299,240
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	100,000	95,000
Other Services	55,177	73,860
Total Cost (Net)	946,888	958,605
Contributions to/from Reserves	46,938	-
Grants	-	-
Precept	899,950	958,605

BERWICK TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	193,264	231,492
Recreation and Leisure Services	124,705	132,480
Environmental Services	155,998	209,879
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	21,040	25,250
Other Services	28,676	24,700
Total Cost (Net)	523,683	623,801
Contributions to/from Reserves	159,372	222,026
Grants	-	-
Precept	364,311	401,775

BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	482,701	592,409
Recreation and Leisure Services	529,810	335,380
Environmental Services	460,000	426,490
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	138,300	138,300
Other Services	-	-
Total Cost (Net)	1,610,811	1,492,579
Contributions to/from Reserves	162,045	2,533
Grants	-	-
Precept	1,448,766	1,490,046

CHOPPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	137,306	193,144
Recreation and Leisure Services	272,175	225,502
Environmental Services	142,335	167,466
Cemeteries	5,563	6,121
Grants and Subsidies	11,523	8,856
Other Services	62,161	53,502
Total Cost (Net)	631,063	654,591
Contributions to/from Reserves	166,667	186,156
Grants	15,430	6,000
Precept	448,966	462,435

CORBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	81,970	118,176
Recreation and Leisure Services	26,350	39,865
Environmental Services	29,508	29,500
Cemeteries	56,850	60,250
Grants and Subsidies	14,850	14,350
Other Services	36,242	29,476
Total Cost (Net)	245,770	291,617
Contributions to/from Reserves	77,770	109,403
Grants	-	-
Precept	168,000	182,214

CRAMLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	296,900	316,100
Recreation and Leisure Services	279,400	365,400
Environmental Services	355,700	343,300
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	22,500	25,000
Other Services	174,500	129,200
Total Cost (Net)	1,129,000	1,179,000
Contributions to/from Reserves	- 25,000	-
Grants	-	-
Precept	1,154,000	1,179,000

EAST BEDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	141,488	163,243
Recreation and Leisure Services	67,680	44,100
Environmental Services	81,765	32,993
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	60,275	39,190
Other Services	14,601	16,599
Total Cost (Net)	365,809	296,125
Contributions to/from Reserves	65,260	- 4,424
Grants	-	-
Precept	300,549	300,549

HALTWHISTLE TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	27,732	37,829
Recreation and Leisure Services	51,616	53,232
Environmental Services	26,228	-
Cemeteries	20,610	22,750
Grants and Subsidies	25,000	77,448
Other Services	4,000	-
Total Cost (Net)	155,186	191,259
Contributions to/from Reserves	1,149	11,259
Grants	4,037	-
Precept	150,000	180,000

HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	424,390	412,255
Recreation and Leisure Services	70,750	84,495
Environmental Services	-	-
Cemeteries	99,805	98,000
Grants and Subsidies	128,250	118,850
Other Services	-	-
Total Cost (Net)	723,195	713,600
Contributions to/from Reserves	209,195	122,500
Grants	-	-
Precept	514,000	591,100

MORPETH TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	351,975	393,964
Recreation and Leisure Services	253,500	233,690
Environmental Services	51,500	43,000
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	82,200	85,676
Other Services	20,340	18,780
Total Cost (Net)	759,515	775,110
Contributions to/from Reserves	-	-
Grants	-	-
Precept	759,515	775,110

NEWBIGGIN BY THE SEA TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	106,370	115,440
Recreation and Leisure Services	40,600	44,000
Environmental Services	125,400	129,000
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	20,080	17,000
Other Services	9,639	6,820
Total Cost (Net)	302,089	312,260
Contributions to/from Reserves	26,580	6,674
Grants	-	-
Precept	275,509	305,586

PONTELAND TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	164,390	167,056
Recreation and Leisure Services	48,720	46,930
Environmental Services	158,901	189,298
Cemeteries	15,803	16,141
Grants and Subsidies	43,650	49,130
Other Services	64,543	64,436
Total Cost (Net)	496,007	532,991
Contributions to/from Reserves	37,431	70,523
Grants	-	-
Precept	458,576	462,468

PRUDHOE TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	127,950	117,100
Recreation and Leisure Services	109,632	131,100
Environmental Services	157,000	168,719
Cemeteries	41,000	70,000
Grants and Subsidies	80,000	85,000
Other Services	6,500	13,300
Total Cost (Net)	522,082	585,219
Contributions to/from Reserves	96,538	151,668
Grants	-	-
Precept	425,544	433,551

SEATON VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	201,290	234,995
Recreation and Leisure Services	91,300	101,800
Environmental Services	283,440	302,990
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	27,500	5,000
Other Services	58,170	45,505
Total Cost (Net)	661,700	690,290
Contributions to/from Reserves	39,380	38,940
Grants	-	-
Precept	622,320	651,350

WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL	2024-25	2025-26
	£	£
Management and Support	92,463	94,658
Recreation and Leisure Services	53,850	52,300
Environmental Services	9,000	9,000
Cemeteries	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	11,500	9,500
Other Services	119,681	144,800
Total Cost (Net)	286,494	310,258
Contributions to/from Reserves	-	12,000
Grants	-	-
Precept	286,494	298,258

COUNCIL TAX EXPLANATORY NOTES

Valuation

All dwellings (domestic properties) in Northumberland have been valued by the Valuation Office Agency (not Northumberland County Council) and have been put into one of eight bands from A to H, which reflect the capital value of each dwelling as of 1 April 1991.

Most dwellings will be subject to council tax. There will be one bill per dwelling whether it is a house, bungalow, flat, maisonette, mobile home or houseboat irrespective of whether it is owned or rented.

The valuation bands of all dwellings in Northumberland County Council's area are shown in the Valuation List produced by the Valuation Office Agency. The list can be inspected via the Valuation Office Agency's website www.voa.gov.uk

The Council sets the council tax charge for band D dwellings. The charge for other bands is calculated on fixed proportions using band D as the base. The proportion you will pay is shown in the table below.

Band	Property value on 1 April 1991	Proportion
A	Up to £40,000	6/9
B	£40,001 to £52,000	7/9
C	£52,001 to £68,000	8/9
D	£68,001 to £88,000	9/9
E	£88,001 to £120,000	11/9
F	£120,001 to £160,000	13/9
G	£160,001 to £320,000	15/9
H	Over £320,000	18/9

Council taxpayers may have a right of appeal against their valuation band. You can find out more about when you can challenge your band and what you need to do at www.gov.uk/challenge-council-tax-band.

You can also contact the Valuation Office Agency at www.gov.uk/contact-voa.

If you are unable to use the online service, you can also contact the Valuation Office Agency on 03000 501 501.

If you challenge your band, you must continue to pay council tax at your current band until your appeal is decided.

If your appeal is successful any overpayment will be refunded.

Exemptions

A dwelling may be exempt from council tax in certain circumstances. If an exemption has been applied, it will be shown on your bill. Listed below are the exemption classes:

Class	Description	Exempt Period
B	Dwellings owned by charities with a housing objective, which are unoccupied, provided the dwelling was being used for the purposes of the charity.	Up to 6 months (after which there will be a charge)
D	Dwellings left empty by persons in detention.	No limit
E	Dwellings left empty by persons in hospitals or care homes.	No limit
F	Dwellings left empty by deceased persons. This exemption only applies where the deceased council tax payer is the sole owner of the dwelling.	Up to grant of probate or letters of administration and up to 6 months thereafter (after which there will be a charge)
G	Dwellings whose occupation is prohibited by law.	No limit
H	Dwellings left empty but held vacant for a minister of religion.	No limit
I	Dwellings left empty by persons receiving care other than in hospital, residential care, nursing home, independent hospital or hostel.	No limit
J	Dwellings left empty by persons providing care.	No limit
K	Dwellings left empty by students.	No limit
L	Dwellings repossessed by a mortgagee.	No limit
M	Student halls of residence.	No limit
N	Dwellings occupied only by students.	No limit
O	Armed forces barracks, messes and married quarters.	No limit
P	Dwellings occupied by a member or members of visiting armed forces.	No limit
Q	Empty dwellings in which a trustee in bankruptcy would be the liable person for council tax.	No limit
R	Empty caravan pitch or mooring for a boat.	No limit
S	Dwellings occupied solely by persons under 18 years of age.	No limit
T	Unoccupied annexes which cannot be let separately.	No limit
U	Dwellings occupied by persons who are severely mentally impaired which can also be owned or occupied by students.	No limit
V	Dwellings occupied where at least one person who would be liable is a foreign diplomat.	No limit
W	Dwellings which form part of a single property including one other dwelling and are the home of a dependent relative (granny annexe).	No limit

Please note: Dwellings which are vacant (but not exempt under any of the exemption classes) do not qualify for an exemption. Vacant dwellings are dwellings that are both unoccupied and substantially unfurnished.

Adult social care funding

The adult social care element represents an offer made by the Government to increase council tax to assist the Council in meeting expenditure on adult social care. The Council has taken up the option to raise an additional 2% in 2025-26 for adult social care. The adult social care precept is now included in the Northumberland County Council charge shown on your bill. The additional 2% in relation to adult social care is calculated from the total council tax charge for the previous year and is not a 2% increase on the previous year's adult social care precept.

For example, the Council's council tax charge for a Band D dwelling in 2024-25 was £2,076.47 (made up of a general charge of £1,772.46 and an adult social care charge of £304.01) so the 2% additional charge for adult social care in 2025-26 is £41.53 ($£2,076.47 \times 2\%$). The overall charge for 2025-26 is a cumulative figure so the £41.53 is added to the 2024-25 charge of £304.01 to give a total charge for 2025-26 of £345.54 for a Band D dwelling.

Council Tax Support

There are two types of support available to help you meet your council tax payments.

Main Council Tax Support is assessed on the income of the person or persons liable to pay council tax. Reductions of up to 100% of the amount payable are available for pension age customers and 92% for working age customers. If your income exceeds the amount the Government says you need to live on, a deduction is made from the full amount of support available. A further reduction may be made in respect of other adults living with you.

Second Adult Rebate is available where there is only one person liable to pay the council tax and they share their home with one or more other people, on a non-commercial basis. The amount of Second Adult Rebate granted is not linked to the income of the person liable to pay the council tax, but to the income of the other persons living with them. You cannot normally claim Second Adult Rebate if you live with your partner.

Only main Council Tax Support or Second Adult Rebate can be granted, not both. The higher amount of the two will be granted if both types of reduction are applied for.

Empty Homes Premiums

If a property has been unoccupied and substantially unfurnished for more than 1 year an Empty Homes Premium will be charged. The following premiums will apply:

- 100% for properties which have been empty and substantially unfurnished for 1 year or more, but less than 5 years. This means 200% council tax is payable.
- 200% for properties which have been empty and substantially unfurnished for 5 years or more but less than 10 years. This means 300% council tax is payable.
- 300% for properties which have been empty and substantially unfurnished for 10 years or more. This means 400% council tax is payable.

Second Homes Premium

With effect from 1 April 2025 second homes (unoccupied, furnished properties) will be charged a 100% premium, this means 200% council tax is payable.

Premium exceptions

The empty homes and second homes premium will not apply in certain circumstances as detailed below:

Class of Dwelling	Premium it applies to	Definition
Class E	Empty homes and second homes	Dwellings which are or would be someone's sole or main residence if they were not residing in job-related armed forces accommodation.
Class F	Empty homes and second homes	Annexes forming part of, or being treated as part of, the main dwelling.
Class G	Empty homes and second homes	Dwellings being actively marketed for sale (12 months limit from the date they were first marketed for sale).
Class H	Empty homes and second homes	Dwellings being actively marketed for let (12 months limit from the date they are first marketed for let).
Class I	Empty homes and second homes	Unoccupied dwellings where probate has been granted – these will not have to pay the premium until 12 months after the grant of probate or until ownership transfers.
Class J	Second homes	Job-related dwellings.
Class K	Second homes	Occupied caravan pitches and boat moorings.
Class L	Second homes	Seasonal homes where year-round occupation is prohibited or where the specified use is as holiday accommodation, or where a planning condition prevents occupancy for more than 28 days continuously.
Class M	Empty homes	Empty (unfurnished) dwelling requiring or undergoing major repairs or structural alterations (12 months limit).

Documentary evidence may be required for the premium exception to be applied.

Discounts

The council tax payable is reduced in certain circumstances by the granting of a discount. If there is only one adult resident, the bill is discounted by 25%. Persons working away from home, whose partners and/or children remain in the family home, are usually regarded as resident in the family home.

When determining the number of adults resident in a dwelling, certain groups of people are disregarded. If all of the adults resident in a dwelling are disregarded a 50% discount is allowed. If all but one of the resident adults is disregarded, a 25% discount is applied. The groups of people disregarded for the purposes of assessing discount are:

- persons resident in hospitals, residential care homes and hostels; and those detained in prison.
- the severely mentally impaired, if they are in receipt of certain State benefits.
- students, student nurses and apprentices. Persons under 20 years of age who have just left school or college may be disregarded until 1 November after they complete their education.
- resident care workers who are employed to provide care or support for at least 24 hours per week. Unpaid carers who provide care for a person who is in receipt of certain disablement benefits may also be disregarded.
- members of religious communities who have no income of their own and depend upon their religious community for their material needs.

Documentary evidence of status may be required to qualify for a discount.

Local Discounts

Local authorities have a general power to grant discretionary local discounts. Full details can be obtained on the council tax pages at www.northumberland.gov.uk or by contacting the Council Tax Team.

Annexe Reduction

Annexes used by the council tax payer of the main dwelling as part of the main dwelling, or annexes which are occupied by a relative of the council tax payer of the main dwelling, will be entitled to a 50% reduction in the amount of council tax payable on the annexe.

The criteria for the annexe reduction are:

- the annexe must form part of a single property which includes at least one other dwelling, i.e., the annexe must be within the grounds of the main dwelling (but not necessarily attached to it); and
- is being used by the resident of the main dwelling as part of their main home; or
- is the main residence of a relative of the council taxpayer living in the main dwelling. For this purpose, a relative is defined as; a partner, parent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece (also includes great grandparent, great grandchild and other relationships as defined in the Council Tax (Reductions for Annexes) (England) Regulations 2013).

The 50% reduction is in addition to any other discount that the council taxpayer or their relative may be entitled to. For example, if an adult son is living in the annexe on his own, he will be liable to pay the council tax on the annexe and will be entitled to a 25% single person discount, plus a 50% annexe reduction on the remaining liability.

Relief in respect of disabled residents

A reduction in the amount of council tax payable can be given if there are facilities within a dwelling that are essential or of major importance to the well-being of a disabled person living there. The reduction is applied by effectively re-banding the dwelling into the valuation band one below that shown in the Valuation List. Band A dwellings are eligible for a reduction in the amount payable equal to 1/9th of a band D dwelling.

The facilities present for this reduction to be applied must include at least one of the following:

- a room (other than a bathroom, lavatory or kitchen) which is used mainly by the disabled person; or
- a second bathroom or kitchen; or
- sufficient floor space to permit the use of a wheelchair provided that the disabled person needs to use a wheelchair indoors.

Billing assumptions

Council tax bills are issued on the assumption that the circumstances on the date of billing will remain the same until the end of the financial year (31 March 2026). If you are in receipt of a time-limited discount or exemption you will receive a revised bill prior to the discount or exemption expiring.

Entitlement to council tax reduction(s), including council tax support

If you have claimed and been granted council tax support, disabled band reduction, any discount or exemption to which you are not entitled, or you fail to notify the Council within 21 days of a change in circumstances that may affect your entitlement, you could be liable to a civil penalty of £70 or £280, and for council tax support you may also be prosecuted.

Disputes and appeals

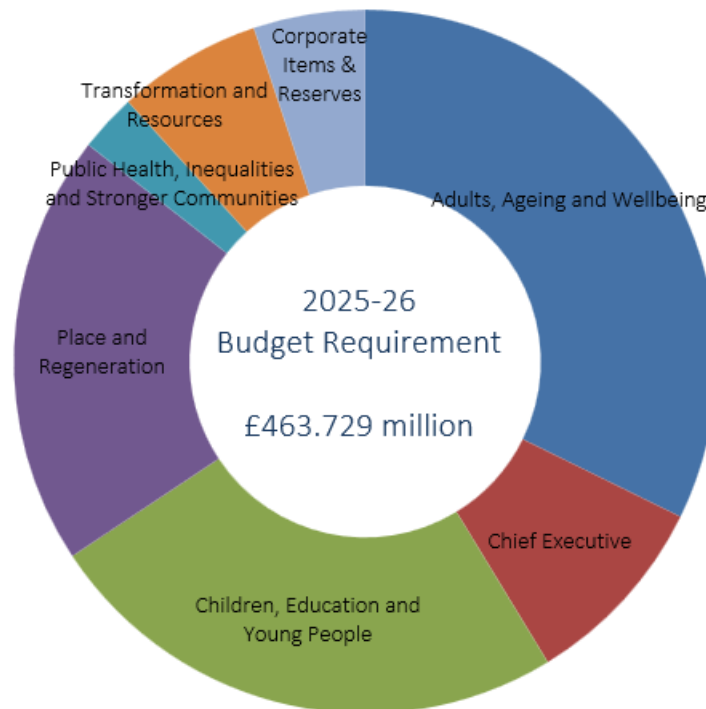
Appeals to the Valuation Tribunal can be made for the following reasons:

- you should not be liable for council tax.
- a dwelling for which you are liable should not be chargeable.
- the Council has not awarded a discount or exemption to which you may be entitled.
- a civil penalty has been incorrectly charged.
- if you think your award of council tax support is incorrect.

Representation in the above matters must first be made to the Council. If agreement is not reached, an appeal to the Valuation Tribunal can then be made.

Northumberland County Council's Budget Statement 2025-2026

The Council's budget requirement for 2025-26 is £463.73 million. This budget supports the delivery of quality services across the county. The chart below shows the major services provided.



Change in budget requirement

The reasons for the change in the Council's total budget requirement for 2025-26 compared to 2024-25 are shown below:

Inflation	22,621,540
Growth and Pressures	17,535,361
Savings	(16,299,000)
Change in the use of Reserves	<u>13,550,410</u>
Total	37,408,311

Northumberland County Council's Budget Statement 2025-2026

2024-25				2025-26			
Gross Expenditure £	Income £	Net Expenditure £	Service	Gross Expenditure £	Income £	Net Expenditure £	
251,629,260	(109,192,320)	142,436,940	Adults, Ageing and Wellbeing	263,825,960	(114,172,130)	149,653,830	
299,206,970	(202,040,690)	97,166,280	Children, Education and Young People	329,703,440	(216,641,800)	113,061,640	
90,533,900	(60,641,370)	29,892,530	Transformation and Resources	88,715,790	(57,895,690)	30,820,100	
43,526,740	(5,222,660)	38,304,080	Chief Executive	47,482,530	(5,619,370)	41,863,160	
135,612,570	(56,398,980)	79,213,590	Place and Regeneration	154,044,140	(61,825,120)	92,219,020	
34,178,410	(21,731,420)	12,446,990	Public Health, Inequalities and Stronger Communities	35,541,177	(23,230,847)	12,310,330	
854,687,850	(455,227,440)	399,460,410	Total Services	919,313,037	(479,384,957)	439,928,080	
		34,468,738	Corporate Items			29,970,409	
		(23,242,970)	Treasury Management			(25,966,590)	
		37,292,000	Capital Financing			27,904,180	
		48,517,768	Total Corporate Items			31,907,999	
		(21,658,000)	Transfer to(from) Reserves			(8,107,590)	
		426,320,178	Total Budget Requirement			463,728,489	
			Less:				
		(14,019,850)	Revenue Support Grant			(14,829,390)	
		(43,003,168)	Retained Business Rates			(50,644,236)	
		(28,536,000)	Top Up Grant			(28,817,140)	
		(85,625,240)	Other Government Grants			(97,707,110)	
		(11,304,270)	Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit			(6,283,330)	
		(10,878,542)	Town/Parish Precepts			(11,436,912)	
		(193,367,070)				(209,718,118)	
		232,953,108	Council Tax Requirement			254,010,371	

Message from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria

The Chief Constable and I are wholly committed to delivering safer streets and stronger communities across the force area, but without the appropriate funding, we face significant financial pressures even with Government's much welcome cash boost for neighbourhood policing. Raising additional funding through a slight increase in the Council Tax Precept will help our force tackle local priorities that matter to local people and that's what I am determined to do.

To address the challenges facing Northumbria Police I have approved an increase of 117p per month for a Band D property. For the majority of households in Northumbria, those in a Band A property, the increase is 78p per month.

The increase in the precept will provide over £5.9m in extra funds for 2025/26 which will help keep the force appropriately resourced, meet budgetary pressures and allow for some investment.

The Band D council tax precept for Northumbria will increase from £181.84 to £195.84 for the year. This remains, by far, the lowest precept of any Police and Crime Commissioner in England and Wales. You can find more information on the OPCC website – www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk

2024/25				2025/26		
Gross Expenditure £000	Gross Income £000	Net Expenditure £000		Gross Expenditure £000	Gross Income £000	Net Expenditure £000
420,562	42,643	377,919	Service	453,439	52,797	400,642
		377,919	Northumbria Police			400,642
			Budget Requirement			
			LESS:			
		281,983	Formula Grant			292,424
		11,168	Special Pension Grant			10,345
		-	National Insurance Compensation Grant			5,736
		6,867	Council Tax Support Grant			6,867
		1,301	Legacy Council Tax Freeze Grants			1,301
		1,290	Constituent Authorities' Net Surplus/(Deficit)			1,084
		75,310	Council Tax Requirement			82,885
	£20.400m		Charge on Northumberland			£22.913m
	£181.84		Band "D" Equivalent Charge			£195.84
			Change in Council Tax Requirement between years is attributable to:			£000s
			Pay awards, inflation, recruitment, budget pressures and other budget adjustments			25,587
			Increase in planned use of reserves			(3,257)
			Budget reductions and efficiencies			(6,830)
			Increase in Home Office Formula Grant			(10,441)
			Reduction in Home Office Uplift Maintenance Grant			2,310
			Reduction in Council Tax net surplus			206
						7,575

Environment Agency North West Region

The Council Tax (Demand Notices) (England) Regulations 2011

The Environment Agency is a levying body for its Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Functions under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency has powers in respect of flood and coastal erosion risk management for 6500 kilometres of main river and along tidal and sea defences in the area of the North West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee. Money is spent on the construction of new flood defence schemes, the maintenance of the river system and existing flood defences together with the operation of a flood warning system and management of the risk of coastal erosion. The financial details are:

	North West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	
	2024/2025 '000s	2025/2026 '000s
Gross Expenditure	£117,163	£129,046
Levies Raised	£4,544	£4,681
Total Council Tax Base	2,278	2,328

The majority of funding for flood defence comes directly from the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). However, under the new Partnership Funding rule not all schemes will attract full central funding. To provide local funding for local priorities and contributions for partnership funding the Regional Flood and Coastal Committees recommend through the Environment Agency a local levy.

A change in the gross budgeted expenditure between years reflects the programme of works for both capital and revenue needed by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee to which you contribute. The total Local Levy raised by this committee has increased by 3.0%

The total Local Levy raised has increased from £4,544,250 in 2024/2025 to £4,680,577 for 2025/2026.

Environment Agency Northumbria Region

The Council Tax (Demand Notices) (England) Regulations 2011

The Environment Agency is a levying body for its Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Functions under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency has powers in respect of flood and coastal erosion risk management for 1642 kilometres of main river and along tidal and sea defences in the area of the Northumbria Regional Flood and Coastal Committee. Money is spent on the construction of new flood defence schemes, the maintenance of the river system and existing flood defences together with the operation of a flood warning system and management of the risk of coastal erosion. The financial details are:

	Northumbria Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	
	2024/2025 '000s	2025/2026 '000s
Gross Expenditure	£25,898	£33,695
Levies Raised	£2,750	£2,833
Total Council Tax Base	769	785

The majority of funding for flood defence comes directly from the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). However, under the new Partnership Funding rule not all schemes will attract full central funding. To provide local funding for local priorities and contributions for partnership funding the Regional Flood and Coastal Committees recommend through the Environment Agency a local levy.

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The total Local Levy raised has increased from £2,750,144 in 2024/2025 to £2,832,648 for 2025/2026.

	2024/25 JTC Transport Levies Budget £000	2025/26 NECA Transport Levies Budget £000
GROSS TRANSPORT EXPENDITURE		
- Tyne Tunnel	39,183	42,792
- Transport co-ordination and former ITA	8,206	7,043
- Nexus (Grant from JTC* & External Grants - net of commercial income)	102,545	127,379
- Durham (Grant from JTC*)	16,895	16,927
- Northumberland (Grant from JTC*)	6,552	6,738
	<hr/> 173,381	<hr/> 200,879
INCOME		
- Tyne Tunnels	(39,183)	(42,792)
	<hr/> (39,183)	<hr/> (42,792)
NET TRANSPORT EXPENDITURE	<hr/> 134,198	<hr/> 158,087
RESERVES		
Contribution from Tyne Tunnel Reserves	0	0
Contribution from Tyne and Wear Transport Reserves	(1,322)	0
Contribution from Nexus Reserves	(4,820)	(10,917)
EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENT	<hr/> 128,056	<hr/> 147,170
FUNDED BY:		
- Tyne and Wear Transport Levy	(70,300)	(72,409)
- Durham Transport Levy	(16,905)	(16,937)
- Northumberland Transport Levy	(6,562)	(6,748)
- Rail Grants & Miscellaneous Grants	(34,289)	(51,076)
FUNDING AGREED BY AUTHORITY	<hr/> (128,056)	<hr/> (147,170)

* The JTC agrees an annual grant to the Tyne & Wear Integrated Transport Executive (Nexus), Durham County Council and Northumberland County Council in respect of revenue support and concessionary travel.

A comparison with previous NECA Transport budget:

	£000
Inflation and other cost pressures	27,498
Increased income	(3,609)
Movement on contribution from reserves	(4,775)
	<hr/> 19,114

Please note: the Tyne Tunnels expenditure requirement is met fully from Tunnels reserves and tolls income, with no levy funding.

Contacting the Council

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Morpeth
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