

Bolsover District Council

Meeting of Council on 5th March 2025

LEVEL OF COUNCIL TAX
2025/26

Report of the Director of Finance & Section 151 Officer

Classification	This report is public.
Contact Officer	Theresa Fletcher Director of Finance & Section 151 Officer

PURPOSE / SUMMARY

- The Localism Act 2011 requires the billing authority to calculate a Council Tax requirement for the year.
- The approved demand on the Collection Fund for this Council should be **£4,882,554**. The Council has now received all of the Parish Precept demands which total **£5,196,507.48** which together mean the total demand on the Collection Fund in 2025/26 will be **£10,079,061.48**.
- In order to calculate the Council Tax requirement for the area at the relevant bands, the demands of the County Council, Police Authority, Fire Authority, and Parish Councils will also need to be taken into account.
- The Council has now received all the relevant precept demands from the other local authorities that precept upon this Council as the billing authority for Council Tax.
- It should be noted that this report will be subject to a recorded vote.

1 REPORT DETAILS

- 1.1 It should be noted that the Chief Financial Officer has calculated the following amounts as the Council Tax Base for the year 2025/26.
- **23,366.76** being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended.
 - The following being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of its Council Tax Base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which special items relate.

Parish	Parish Tax Base
Ault Hucknall	388.37
Barlborough	1,172.48
Blackwell	1,244.66
Clowne	2,566.30
Elmton	1,650.47
Glapwell	497.87
Hodthorpe	276.40
Langwith	871.57
Old Bolsover	3,805.14
Pinxton	1,600.43
Pleasley	767.15
Scarcliffe	566.52
Shirebrook	2,577.07
South Normanton	3,021.19
Tibshelf	1,254.92
Whitwell	1,106.22
Total	23,366.76

- 1.2 Calculation of the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2025/26 (excluding Parish Precepts) is **£4,882,554**.
- 1.3 That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for 2025/26 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended):
- a) **£43,634,541.48** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils (Note – this is the District Council's Gross Expenditure including Parish Precepts).
 - b) **£33,555,480** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act (Note – this is the District Council's Gross Income).
 - c) **£10,079,061.48** being the amount by which the aggregate at 1.3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 1.3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year. (Note - this sum is the total of the District's requirements of **£4,882,554** plus the total parish precepts of **£5,196,507.48**).
 - d) **£431.34** being the amount at 1.3(c) above divided by item 1.1 calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (Note – this is a calculated average for the District Council and the Parish precepts).

- e) **£5,196,507.48** being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per 1.3c) (Note – this is the total Parish Precept amount that will be raised through Council Tax).
- f) **£208.95** being the amount at 1.3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 1.3(e) by the amount at 1.1, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates (Note – this is the District Council Band D charge for Council Tax for 2025/26).
- g) Part of the Council's Area

The following being the amounts calculated by adding the amount at 1.3(f) to the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned in 1.3(d) divided in each case by the amount at 1.1(b). Calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate (Note – this is the sum of the District Council Band D and the individual Parish Band D).

Parish	Council Tax at Band D £
Ault Hucknall	358.29
Barlborough	316.41
Blackwell	450.31
Clowne	401.09
Elmton	766.05
Glapwell	476.59
Hodthorpe	368.50
Langwith	451.73
Old Bolsover	376.99
Pinxton	395.23
Pleasley	346.00
Scarcliffe	357.15
Shirebrook	553.53
South Normanton	341.69
Tibshelf	372.69
Whitwell	470.58

- h) Being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 1.3(f) and 1.3(g) by the number which in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in

respect of categories of dwellings listed in the different valuation bands
(Note – this is the same as above but shown over all Valuation Bands).

Part of the Council's Area	Valuation Bands							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Ault Hucknall	238.86	278.67	318.48	358.29	437.91	517.53	597.15	716.59
Barlborough	210.94	246.10	281.26	316.41	386.73	457.04	527.35	632.83
Blackwell	300.21	350.24	400.28	450.31	550.38	650.45	750.52	900.63
Clowne	267.40	311.96	356.53	401.09	490.22	579.36	668.49	802.19
Elmton	510.70	595.82	680.94	766.05	936.29	1106.52	1276.75	1532.11
Glapwell	317.73	370.68	423.64	476.59	582.50	688.41	794.32	953.19
Hodthorpe	245.67	286.61	327.56	368.50	450.39	532.28	614.17	737.01
Langwith	301.16	351.35	401.54	451.73	552.12	652.50	752.89	903.47
Old Bolsover	251.33	293.22	335.10	376.99	460.77	544.55	628.32	753.99
Pinxton	263.49	307.40	351.32	395.23	483.06	570.89	658.72	790.47
Pleasley	230.67	269.11	307.56	346.00	422.89	499.78	576.67	692.01
Scarcliffe	238.10	277.79	317.47	357.15	436.52	515.89	595.25	714.31
Shirebrook	369.02	430.53	492.03	553.53	676.54	799.55	922.55	1107.07
South Normanton	227.80	265.76	303.73	341.69	417.62	493.56	569.49	683.39
Tibshelf	248.46	289.87	331.28	372.69	455.51	538.33	621.15	745.39
Whitwell	313.72	366.01	418.30	470.58	575.16	679.73	784.30	941.17

1.4 That it be noted that for the year 2025/26 Derbyshire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire and the Derbyshire Fire and Rescue have stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Act 1992 for each of the categories of dwellings shown in the following table:

Precepting	Valuation Bands							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Derbyshire County Council	934.40	1,090.13	1,245.86	1,401.60	1,713.07	2,024.53	2,336.00	2,803.20
DCC - Adult Social Care	151.71	176.99	202.28	227.56	278.13	328.70	379.27	455.12
Police + Crime Commissioner	195.73	228.36	260.98	293.60	358.84	424.09	489.33	587.20
Fire + Rescue Service	62.27	72.65	83.03	93.41	114.17	134.93	155.68	186.82
	1,344.11	1,568.13	1,792.15	2,016.17	2,464.21	2,912.25	3,360.28	4,032.34

1.5 That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 1.3(h) and 1.4, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2025/26 for each of the categories of dwellings (Note – this is the total charge for 2025/26 i.e. when all the individual precepts are added together.)

Part of the Council's Area	Valuation							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ault Hucknall	1,582.97	1,846.80	2,110.63	2,374.46	2,902.12	3,429.78	3,957.43	4,748.93
Barlborough	1,555.05	1,814.23	2,073.41	2,332.58	2,850.94	3,369.29	3,887.63	4,665.17
Blackwell	1,644.32	1,918.37	2,192.43	2,466.48	3,014.59	3,562.70	4,110.80	4,932.97
Clowne	1,611.51	1,880.09	2,148.68	2,417.26	2,954.43	3,491.61	4,028.77	4,834.53
Elmton	1,854.81	2,163.95	2,473.09	2,782.22	3,400.50	4,018.77	4,637.03	5,564.45
Glapwell	1,661.84	1,938.81	2,215.79	2,492.76	3,046.71	3,600.66	4,154.60	4,985.53
Hodthorpe	1,589.78	1,854.74	2,119.71	2,384.67	2,914.60	3,444.53	3,974.45	4,769.35
Langwith	1,645.27	1,919.48	2,193.69	2,467.90	3,016.33	3,564.75	4,113.17	4,935.81
Old Bolsover	1,595.44	1,861.35	2,127.25	2,393.16	2,924.98	3,456.80	3,988.60	4,786.33
Pinxton	1,607.60	1,875.53	2,143.47	2,411.40	2,947.27	3,483.14	4,019.00	4,822.81
Pleasley	1,574.78	1,837.24	2,099.71	2,362.17	2,887.10	3,412.03	3,936.95	4,724.35
Scarcliffe	1,582.21	1,845.92	2,109.62	2,373.32	2,900.73	3,428.14	3,955.53	4,746.65
Shirebrook	1,713.13	1,998.66	2,284.18	2,569.70	3,140.75	3,711.80	4,282.83	5,139.41
South Normanton	1,571.91	1,833.89	2,095.88	2,357.86	2,881.83	3,405.81	3,929.77	4,715.73
Tibshelf	1,592.57	1,858.00	2,123.43	2,388.86	2,919.72	3,450.58	3,981.43	4,777.73
Whitwell	1,657.83	1,934.14	2,210.45	2,486.75	3,039.37	3,591.98	4,144.58	4,973.51

1.6 That the persons named below are hereby authorised in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1972 to:

- a) Collect and recover any Council Tax due to the Council.
- b) Prosecute and appear on behalf of the Council at the hearing of any legal proceedings by way of an application for the issue of a liability order or warrant for the issue of a liability order or warrant of commitment in respect of unpaid Council Tax.
- c) Collect and recover any Community Charges and National Non-Domestic Rates due to the Council.
- d) Prosecute and appear on behalf of the Council at the hearing of any legal proceedings by way of an application for the issue of a liability order or warrant of commitment in respect of unpaid National-Non-Domestic Rates.
- e) Prosecute and appear on behalf of the Council at the hearing of any legal proceedings by way of an application for the issue of a distress warrant of commitment in respect of unpaid rates of Section 97, 102 and 103 respectively of the General Rates Act 1967.

Mrs M Whetton	Revenues and Benefits Manager
Mrs A Bowman	Senior Revenues Officer
Mrs P Bates	Senior Revenues Officer
Miss G Jackson	Senior Revenues Officer
Mrs L Pickering	Senior Revenues Officer

Given that the officers performing this role may change during the course of the financial year it is recommended that delegated powers be granted to the

Council's Chief Financial Officer to authorise amendments to the above list should this prove necessary.

1.7 Fire Authority – provisional figures

The Fire authority meeting to approve the 2025/26 Council Tax requirement was not scheduled to take place until the 27th of February 2025. The Medium-Term Financial Plan presented at the meeting pre-agenda, was prepared on the basis of the full £5 precept increase being approved. In order for Bolsover District Council as billing authority to calculate the district Council Tax requirement, the provisional Fire Authority figures have been included.

In case the Fire Authority approve different figures to those included in our Council Tax calculation, it is proposed to give delegated authority to the Director of Finance & Section 151 Officer, to recalculate the figures included within this report if it becomes necessary.

2. Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 This report sets out for approval by Council the precepts of the relevant public authorities operating in the area of Bolsover District Council in order for Council to agree the Council Tax liability for local residents in respect of 2025/26.

3 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 3.1 The Council is legally obliged to approve the Council Tax for the financial year 2025/26.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council formally approves the Council Tax for the Financial Year 2025/26 as set out in this report.
2. The Council authorises the officers as set out in section 1.6 above to undertake the identified duties in accordance with section 223 of the Local Government Act 1972, and delegates to the Council's Chief Financial Officer the authority to authorise any amendments to the list of named officers that may prove necessary during the course of the financial year.
3. To approved delegation authority for the Director of Finance & Section 151 Officer to recalculate the figures within this report if the Fire Authority approve different figures than those provisionally received.

Approved by the Portfolio Holder - Cllr Clive Moesby, Executive Member for Resources

IMPLICATIONS.

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

Bolsover District Council administers the Collection Fund for all of the precepting authorities operating within the area of Bolsover. In order to pay the amounts requested by the various precepting authorities, including Bolsover District Council, it is necessary to set a Council Tax which raises sufficient funding to ensure that the Collection Fund can meet the financial demands placed upon it.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

The Council is legally required to set a Council Tax for its area.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Environment:

Please identify (if applicable) how this proposal/report will help the Authority meet its carbon neutral target or enhance the environment.

Details:

Not applicable to this report.

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

There are no human resource implications arising directly from this report.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards, or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:</p> <p>Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	<p>No</p>

District Wards Significantly Affected	All
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes Details: Portfolio Holder

Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy, and Environment.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title

Background Papers
<i>(These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Executive, you must provide copies of the background papers).</i>
None