

MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL 2023/24

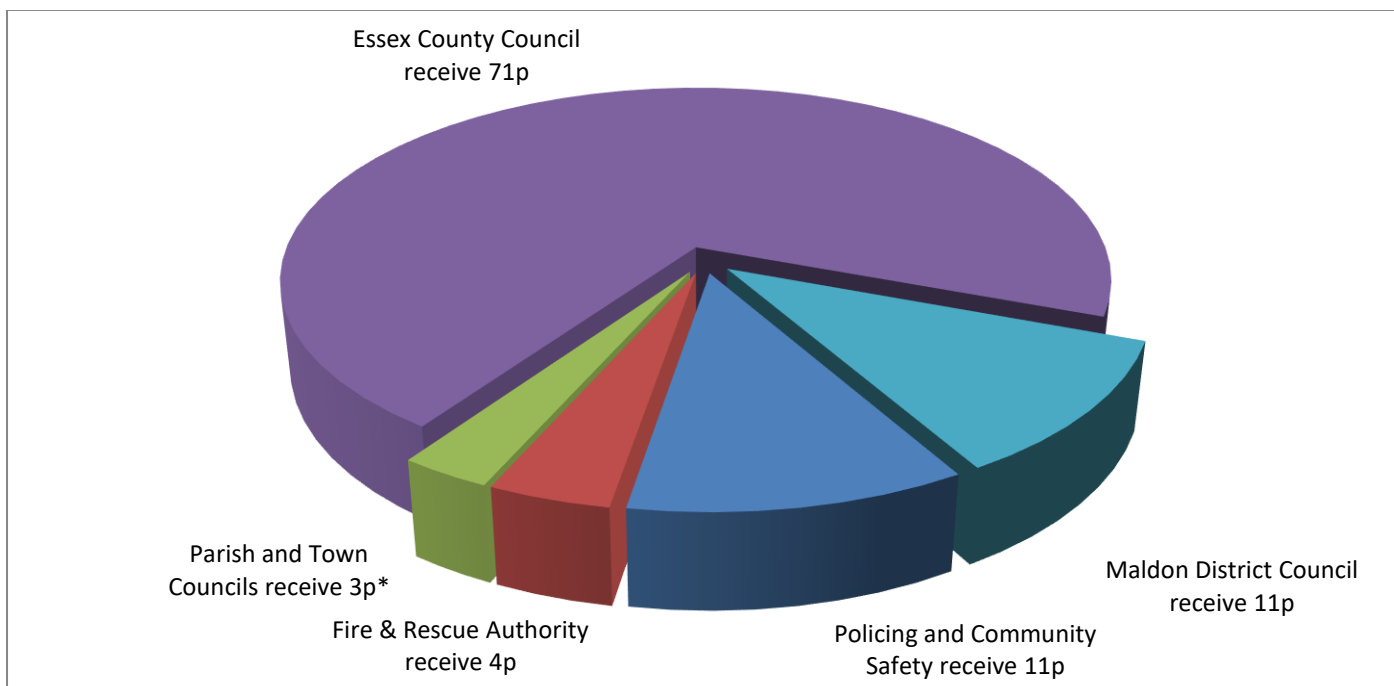
COUNCIL TAX

We (Maldon District Council) collect your Council Tax and put it into a separate fund called the collection fund. We share this fund with Essex County Council, Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Fire and Rescue Authority for both Fire and Police services and the Parish and Town councils.

This year we need to collect £53.0 million in Council Tax.

Every £1 of Council Tax is shared in the following way:

- Essex County Council receives 71p
- Maldon District Council receives 11p
- Police Fire & Crime Commissioner for Essex – Policing and Community Safety receives 11p
- Essex Police Fire & Crime Commissioner – Fire & Rescue Authority receives 4p
- Parish and Town Councils receive 3p (*note: this is an average across all of the parish & town councils)



Essex County Council uses Council Tax to pay for services such as social services, highways and libraries.

Maldon District Council uses Council Tax to help pay for services such as collecting rubbish, street cleansing, planning, leisure services, maintaining open spaces and improving facilities for our community.

HOW WE WORK OUT YOUR COUNCIL TAX

The table shows how much we plan to spend on each of our main services. We collect some of this money through Council Tax, but we have two other main sources of income – government grants and Business Rates.

The Government pays us grants out of the taxes it collects. We collect Business Rates and share these out between Central Government, Maldon District Council, Essex County Council and Essex Fire Authority.

	Spending (after income)		Band D equivalent (2023/24)
	Last year (2022/23)	This year (2023/24)	
	£ thousands	£ thousands	£
Resources Directorate	3,714	4,395	167.75
Service Delivery	7,091	9,581	370.02
Strategy Performance and Governance	2,931	2,458	94.94
Net cost of services	13,736	16,434	634.71
Interest on investments	(214)	(750)	(28.97)
Net operating expenditure	13,522	15,684	605.74
Impact of forward pension deficit funding	0	351	13.56
Statutory adjustments	(3,200)	(3,893)	(150.35)
General grants and income	(1,971)	(2,190)	(84.59)
Use of balances and reserves	(2,183)	(2,562)	(98.96)
Expenditure to be funded	6,168	7,390	285.39
Business Rate Retention	(2,314)	(2,484)	(105.58)
Collection fund adjustments	1,567	758	38.94
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	5,421	5,664	218.75

FACING COST INCREASES

Maldon District Council has increased its 2022/23 Council Tax charges by 2.99%. This sees a Band D charge increase from £212.40 to £218.75. This equates to an increase of £6.35 over the year, equivalent to an additional 12.2p per week.

The table below shows some of the cost pressures facing the council.

	£ thousands	Band D equivalent £
Money needed for 2022/23	5,421	212.40
Change in Tax Base	78	3.01
Changes in net spending on services	2,698	104.19
Changes in return on investments	-536	-20.70
Changes in pension deficit funding	351	13.56
Change in statutory adjustments	-693	-26.76
Changes in grants	-219	-8.46
Change in use of reserves	-379	-14.64
Change in Business Rates Retention	-169	-6.55
Change to collection fund adjustments	-888	-37.30
The amount we need to raise in 2023/24	5,664	218.75

HOW MUCH DO YOU HAVE TO PAY?

We work out your Council Tax after totalling the money each of the four authorities listed below requires. If for example your home is in band D, the average Council Tax for this year will be £1,982.67 plus an amount you have to pay to your local Parish or Town Council. (This is shown on your Council Tax bill).

The table below shows the Council Tax for an average property in band D.

	Amount required (2023/24)	Council Tax for each property in band D
	£	£
Essex County Council – Main Precept	32,435,546	1,252.71
Essex County Council – Adult Social Care Precept	5,112,694	197.46
Maldon District Council	5,663,960	218.75
Essex PFCC: Policing & C' Safety**	6,044,992	233.47
PFCC for Essex: Fire and Rescue Authority*	2,078,613	80.28
Total (not including parish and town councils)	51,335,805	1,982.67

* This is the abbreviation as shown on the Council Tax Bill; the full title is Essex Police Fire & Crime Commissioner – Fire & Rescue Authority.

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EXCESSIVE TAX RISES

The Localism Act 2011 says that if any major authority (which excludes Parishes and Town Councils) sets an excessive basic amount of Council Tax, then the billing authority (Maldon District Council) must hold a referendum. The electorate will then decide whether to approve the excessive Council Tax. If it is not approved by majority vote, a lower amount will be set using the Secretary of State's guidelines. No major authority has exceeded the threshold for 2023/24.

GOVERNMENT INFORMATION ABOUT THE ADULT SOCIAL CARE PRECEPT

The Government requires all councils with adult social care responsibilities to publish the text below on their council tax information web page.

“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 and this has continued into 2023/24.

PARISH OR TOWN COUNCILS THAT REQUIRE MORE THAN £140,000

A breakdown of the Council Tax requirement for those Parish or Town Councils whose Council Tax requirement for 2023/24 is equal to or more than £140,000 is detailed below.

MALDON TOWN COUNCIL	2022/23	2023/24
	£	£
CORPORATE CORE		
Administration and General Purposes	243,628	233,810
Town Hall (25% apportion for office)	18,210	20,404
CULTURAL AND RELATED		
Town Hall	54,630	61,213
Plume Library	4,514	4,514
Moot Hall	26,850	16,600
Heritage Centre	6,500	11,500
Christmas Lights and Vintage Fayre	25,000	22,362
Tourism	2,000	1,000
Health & Wellbeing	0	1,500
Climate Change	1,000	500
Speeding Initiatives	0	5,000
ENVIRONMENT		
Open Spaces	53,787	54,322
Closed Churchyards	4,500	5,000
Allotments	5,660	5,950
Community Safety	7,350	7,300
OTHER	108,490	48,193
Income	(86,538)	(88,454)
Add to/ (Use of) Reserves	(95,000)	(17,718)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	380,581	392,996

HEYBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL	2022/23	2023/24
	£	£
Expenditure	292,450	291,450
Income	(30,000)	(35,000)
Add to/ (Use of) Reserves	(62,450)	(52,450)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	200,000	204,000

BURNHAM ON CROUCH TOWN COUNCIL	2022/23	2023/24
	£	£
Expenditure	221,048	208,127
Income	(22,658)	(9,737)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	198,390	198,390

SOUTHMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL	2022/23	2023/24
	£	£
Expenditure	162,825	154,786
Income	(21,835)	(13,796)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	140,990	140,990

PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL SPENDING

This table shows each Parish or Town Council's Council Tax requirement (how much they need).

	2022/23	2023/24	Band D Charge
	£	£	£
Althorne	25,000	25,000	48.92
Asheldham	3,570	4,009	62.47
Bradwell-on-Sea	27,540	27,540	80.83
Burnham-on-Crouch	198,390	198,390	55.08
Cold Norton	38,749	41,600	82.74
Dengie	2,726	3,056	62.47
Goldhanger	10,000	10,500	33.55
Great Braxted	9,550	10,231	56.93
Great Totham	17,054	17,243	13.36
Hazeleigh	1,161	1,257	20.79
Heybridge	200,000	204,000	72.08
Heybridge Basin	34,000	34,000	125.37
Langford	6,183	6,183	68.31
Latchingdon	54,590	44,495	87.80
Little Braxted	4,500	4,775	58.30
Little Totham	8,790	8,790	44.71
Maldon	380,581	392,996	69.43
Mayland	100,249	102,254	68.51
Mundon	5,500	7,000	46.79
North Fambridge	20,250	22,330	48.42
Purleigh	44,000	47,000	80.67
Southminster	140,990	140,990	86.28
St. Lawrence	26,763	33,214	56.29
Steeple	10,531	11,064	58.44
Stow Maries	6,695	7,020	78.96
Tillingham	36,200	37,200	94.29
Tollesbury	92,600	107,510	107.19
Tolleshunt D'arcy	21,514	22,721	50.56
Tolleshunt Knights	10,000	10,800	25.67
Tolleshunt Major	8,900	8,900	32.32
Ulting	4,317	4,317	56.80
Wickham Bishops	21,545	22,536	22.46
Woodham Mortimer	4,976	5,380	20.79
Woodham Walter	26,000	28,665	105.35
TOTAL	1,603,414	1,652,967	

COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENT (HOW MUCH WE NEED) INCLUDING PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS

The table shows how much Council Tax you have to pay, including Parish and Town Council spending, depending on where you live and which valuation band your home is in. Parish and Town Councils require money to pay for things like community centres, footpaths and extra street lighting.

Parish or Town	Band							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Althorne	1,354.38	1,580.13	1,805.85	2,031.59	2,483.05	2,934.51	3,385.97	4,063.17
Asheldham	1,363.42	1,590.67	1,817.90	2,045.14	2,499.61	2,954.08	3,408.56	4,090.27
Bradwell-on-Sea	1,375.66	1,604.95	1,834.22	2,063.50	2,522.05	2,980.60	3,439.16	4,126.99
Burnham-on-Crouch	1,358.49	1,584.92	1,811.33	2,037.75	2,490.58	2,943.41	3,396.24	4,075.49
Cold Norton	1,376.93	1,606.43	1,835.92	2,065.41	2,524.39	2,983.36	3,442.34	4,130.81
Dengie	1,363.42	1,590.67	1,817.90	2,045.14	2,499.61	2,954.08	3,408.56	4,090.27
Goldhanger	1,344.14	1,568.17	1,792.19	2,016.22	2,464.27	2,912.31	3,360.36	4,032.43
Great Braxted	1,359.72	1,586.36	1,812.97	2,039.60	2,492.84	2,946.08	3,399.32	4,079.19
Great Totham	1,330.68	1,552.47	1,774.25	1,996.03	2,439.59	2,883.15	3,326.71	3,992.05
Hazeleigh	1,335.63	1,558.25	1,780.85	2,003.46	2,448.67	2,893.88	3,339.09	4,006.91
Heybridge	1,369.82	1,598.14	1,826.44	2,054.75	2,511.36	2,967.97	3,424.57	4,109.49
Heybridge Basin	1,405.35	1,639.59	1,873.81	2,108.04	2,576.49	3,044.94	3,513.39	4,216.07
Langford	1,367.31	1,595.21	1,823.09	2,050.98	2,506.75	2,962.52	3,418.29	4,101.95
Latchingdon	1,380.30	1,610.37	1,840.41	2,070.47	2,530.57	2,990.67	3,450.77	4,140.93
Little Braxted	1,360.64	1,587.42	1,814.19	2,040.97	2,494.52	2,948.06	3,401.61	4,081.93
Little Totham	1,351.58	1,576.85	1,802.11	2,027.38	2,477.91	2,928.43	3,378.96	4,054.75
Maldon	1,368.06	1,596.08	1,824.09	2,052.10	2,508.12	2,964.14	3,420.16	4,104.19
Mayland	1,367.44	1,595.37	1,823.27	2,051.18	2,506.99	2,962.81	3,418.62	4,102.35
Mundon	1,352.96	1,578.47	1,803.96	2,029.46	2,480.45	2,931.44	3,382.42	4,058.91
North								
Fambridge	1,354.05	1,579.74	1,805.41	2,031.09	2,482.44	2,933.79	3,385.14	4,062.17
Purleigh	1,375.55	1,604.82	1,834.08	2,063.34	2,521.86	2,980.37	3,438.89	4,126.67
Southminster	1,379.29	1,609.19	1,839.06	2,068.95	2,528.71	2,988.48	3,448.24	4,137.89
St. Lawrence	1,359.30	1,585.86	1,812.41	2,038.96	2,492.06	2,945.16	3,398.26	4,077.91
Steeple	1,360.73	1,587.53	1,814.32	2,041.11	2,494.69	2,948.26	3,401.84	4,082.21
Stow Maries	1,374.41	1,603.49	1,832.56	2,061.63	2,519.77	2,977.90	3,436.04	4,123.25
Tillingham	1,384.63	1,615.42	1,846.18	2,076.96	2,538.50	3,000.05	3,461.59	4,153.91
Tollesbury	1,393.23	1,625.45	1,857.65	2,089.86	2,554.27	3,018.68	3,483.09	4,179.71
Tolleshunt								
D'arcy	1,355.48	1,581.40	1,807.31	2,033.23	2,485.06	2,936.88	3,388.71	4,066.45
Tolleshunt Knights	1,338.88	1,562.05	1,785.19	2,008.34	2,454.63	2,900.93	3,347.22	4,016.67
Tolleshunt Major	1,343.32	1,567.22	1,791.10	2,014.99	2,462.76	2,910.53	3,358.31	4,029.97
Ulting	1,359.64	1,586.26	1,812.86	2,039.47	2,492.68	2,945.89	3,399.11	4,078.93
Wickham								
Bishops Woodham	1,336.74	1,559.55	1,782.33	2,005.13	2,450.71	2,896.29	3,341.87	4,010.25
Mortimer	1,335.63	1,558.25	1,780.85	2,003.46	2,448.67	2,893.88	3,339.09	4,006.91
Woodham								
Walter	1,392.00	1,624.02	1,856.01	2,088.02	2,552.02	3,016.02	3,480.02	4,176.03

DATA PROTECTION

Maldon District Council (the Data Controller) collects personal data for the administration of Council Tax. This data is only processed for that purpose and we will only use it to contact you in relation to your account.

We do not share your personal data externally with anyone beyond what we are required to do so by law for the purposes of administering council tax and the prevention and detection of fraud. We may use your personal data within the Council for the administration of our services.

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