

REVENUE BUDGET & STATUTORY RESOLUTION 2024/25

The Leader of the Council proposes the budget submission contained in the Medium Term Financial Plan and moves the following statutory resolution required to fix the Council Tax for each Band in each part of the Council's area in accordance with the decision on the level of Council Tax. The Localism Act 2011 has made significant changes to the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and now requires the billing authority to calculate a Council Tax requirement for the year, not its budget requirement as previously.

The Leader of the opposition group will make their budget speech and propose any amendments that they wish to the budget proposals put forward by the Leader of the Council.

1. That it be noted that at its meeting on 18th January 2024 Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2024/25 in accordance with regulations made under Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and the Local Government Finance Act 2012:-

- (a) 77,009.90 being the amount calculated by the Council, (Item T) in accordance with regulation 31B of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and the Local Government Finance Act 2012), as its council tax base for the year

- (b) Part of the Council's area.

Arborfield and Newland	1,299.0
Barkham	2,460.6
Charvil	1,474.5
Earley	12,052.0
Finchampstead	6,647.7
Remenham	341.9
Ruscombe	614.2
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,125.3
Shinfield	7,802.8
Sonning	829.6
Swallowfield	1,099.5
Twyford	3,047.3
Wargrave	2,155.6
Winnersh	4,432.7
Wokingham	17,380.0
Wokingham Without	3,332.4
Woodley	10,914.8
	<u>77,009.9</u>

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 a parish precept relates.

2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2024/25 (excluding Parish precepts) is £141,641,228. This includes £20,446,899 in respect of the Adult Social Care precept; this is based on a 2.0% increase on the 2023/24 council tax and annual increases from 2015/2016.
3. That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2024/25 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, amended by the Localism Act 2011. The precept shown below for Thames Valley Police was approved on 26th January 2024 and the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority was approved on 15th February 2024:-

- (a) £382,558,604 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2)(a) to (f) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by parish councils
- (b) (£235,289,811) being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3)(a) to (d) of the Act
- (c) £147,268,793 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above, exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its council tax requirement for the year (Item R)
- (d) £1,912.34 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by 1(a) above (Item T), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the 'basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).

(e) £5,627,565

being the aggregate amount of all special items (parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the table below).

	2024/25			2023/24			Council Tax Increase	
	TAX BASE	PARISH PRECEPT £	PARISH BAND D £	TAX BASE	PARISH PRECEPT £	PARISH BAND D £		%
Arborfield and Newland	1,299.0	112,164	86.35	1,279.1	105,321	82.34		4.87
Barkham	2,460.6	65,081	26.45	2,336.8	61,185	26.18		1.03
Charvil	1,474.5	117,600	79.76	1,473.2	90,000	61.09		30.56
Earley	12,052.0	1,007,815	83.62	12,005.7	1,007,815	83.94		(0.38)
Finchampstead	6,647.7	197,919	29.77	6,553.7	192,154	29.32		1.53
Remenham	341.9	29,721	86.93	328.7	29,138	88.65		(1.94)
Ruscombe	614.2	28,000	45.59	580.2	28,600	49.29		(7.51)
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,125.3	57,288	50.91	1,106.7	54,650	49.38		3.10
Shinfield	7,802.8	642,122	82.29	7,613.2	599,570	78.75		4.50
Sonning	829.6	43,888	52.90	827.0	42,200	51.03		3.66
Swallowfield	1,099.5	36,197	32.92	1,078.6	35,487	32.90		0.06
Twyford	3,047.3	221,064	72.54	3,046.3	153,382	50.35		44.07
Wargrave	2,155.6	225,285	104.51	2,143.5	213,865	99.77		4.75
Winnersh	4,432.7	198,424	44.76	4,433.8	191,166	43.12		3.80
Wokingham	17,380.0	1,227,267	70.61	17,230.6	1,118,820	64.93		8.75
Wokingham Without	3,332.4	253,229	75.99	3,315.7	239,957	72.37		5.00
Woodley	10,914.8	1,164,500	106.69	10,894.3	1,195,649	109.75		(2.79)
Total / Average	77,009.9	5,627,565	73.08	76,247.1	5,358,959	70.28		3.98

(f) £1,839.26

being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by the amount at 1(a) above, 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 items relates.

- That it be noted that for the year 2024/25 the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for the Thames Valley has issued a precept to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the table below.
- That the Council in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2024/25 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL TAX 2024/2025**Valuation Bands**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Wokingham Borough Council	1,226.17	1,430.54	1,634.90	1,839.26	2,247.98	2,656.71	3,065.43	3,678.52
Thames Valley Police Authority	179.52	209.44	239.36	269.28	329.12	388.96	448.80	538.56
Royal Berkshire Fire Authority	54.20	63.25	72.28	81.31	99.38	117.45	135.51	162.62

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirement for each parish and the borough for each part of the Council's area:-

Arborfield and Newland	1,283.74	1,497.70	1,711.66	1,925.61	2,353.52	2,781.44	3,209.35	3,851.22
Barkham	1,243.80	1,451.11	1,658.41	1,865.71	2,280.31	2,694.92	3,109.51	3,731.42
Charvil	1,279.34	1,492.58	1,705.80	1,919.02	2,345.46	2,771.92	3,198.36	3,838.04
Earley	1,281.92	1,495.58	1,709.23	1,922.88	2,350.18	2,777.49	3,204.80	3,845.76
Finchampstead	1,246.02	1,453.69	1,661.36	1,869.03	2,284.37	2,699.71	3,115.05	3,738.06
Remenham	1,284.12	1,498.15	1,712.17	1,926.19	2,354.23	2,782.28	3,210.31	3,852.38
Ruscombe	1,256.56	1,466.00	1,675.42	1,884.85	2,303.70	2,722.56	3,141.41	3,769.70
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,260.11	1,470.14	1,680.15	1,890.17	2,310.20	2,730.25	3,150.28	3,780.34
Shinfield	1,281.03	1,494.54	1,708.05	1,921.55	2,348.56	2,775.57	3,202.58	3,843.10
Sonning	1,261.44	1,471.68	1,681.92	1,892.16	2,312.64	2,733.12	3,153.60	3,784.32
Swallowfield	1,248.12	1,456.14	1,664.16	1,872.18	2,288.22	2,704.26	3,120.30	3,744.36
Twyford	1,274.53	1,486.96	1,699.38	1,911.80	2,336.64	2,761.49	3,186.33	3,823.60
Wargrave	1,295.84	1,511.83	1,727.80	1,943.77	2,375.71	2,807.67	3,239.61	3,887.54
Winnersh	1,256.01	1,465.35	1,674.69	1,884.02	2,302.69	2,721.36	3,140.03	3,768.04
Wokingham	1,273.24	1,485.46	1,697.66	1,909.87	2,334.28	2,758.70	3,183.11	3,819.74
Wokingham Without	1,276.83	1,489.64	1,702.45	1,915.25	2,340.86	2,766.47	3,192.08	3,830.50
Woodley	1,297.30	1,513.52	1,729.74	1,945.95	2,378.38	2,810.82	3,243.25	3,891.90

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements for each part of the Council's area:-

Arborfield and Newland	1,517.46	1,770.39	2,023.30	2,276.20	2,782.02	3,287.85	3,793.66	4,552.40
Barkham	1,477.52	1,723.80	1,970.05	2,216.30	2,708.81	3,201.33	3,693.82	4,432.60
Charvil	1,513.06	1,765.27	2,017.44	2,269.61	2,773.96	3,278.33	3,782.67	4,539.22
Earley	1,515.64	1,768.27	2,020.87	2,273.47	2,778.68	3,283.90	3,789.11	4,546.94
Finchampstead	1,479.74	1,726.38	1,973.00	2,219.62	2,712.87	3,206.12	3,699.36	4,439.24
Remenham	1,517.84	1,770.84	2,023.81	2,276.78	2,782.73	3,288.69	3,794.62	4,553.56
Ruscombe	1,490.28	1,738.69	1,987.06	2,235.44	2,732.20	3,228.97	3,725.72	4,470.88
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,493.83	1,742.83	1,991.79	2,240.76	2,738.70	3,236.66	3,734.59	4,481.52
Shinfield	1,514.75	1,767.23	2,019.69	2,272.14	2,777.06	3,281.98	3,786.89	4,544.28
Sonning	1,495.16	1,744.37	1,993.56	2,242.75	2,741.14	3,239.53	3,737.91	4,485.50
Swallowfield	1,481.84	1,728.83	1,975.80	2,222.77	2,716.72	3,210.67	3,704.61	4,445.54
Twyford	1,508.25	1,759.65	2,011.02	2,262.39	2,765.14	3,267.90	3,770.64	4,524.78
Wargrave	1,529.56	1,784.52	2,039.44	2,294.36	2,804.21	3,314.08	3,823.92	4,588.72
Winnersh	1,489.73	1,738.04	1,986.33	2,234.61	2,731.19	3,227.77	3,724.34	4,469.22
Wokingham	1,506.96	1,758.15	2,009.30	2,260.46	2,762.78	3,265.11	3,767.42	4,520.92
Wokingham Without	1,510.55	1,762.33	2,014.09	2,265.84	2,769.36	3,272.88	3,776.39	4,531.68
Woodley	1,531.02	1,786.21	2,041.38	2,296.54	2,806.88	3,317.23	3,827.56	4,593.08

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