

2016/17 Overview

Gross expenditure to be incurred in the delivery of Council services in 2016/17 is **£1,774m**. After taking income and specific grants into account, the net costs of services amounts to **£935m**.

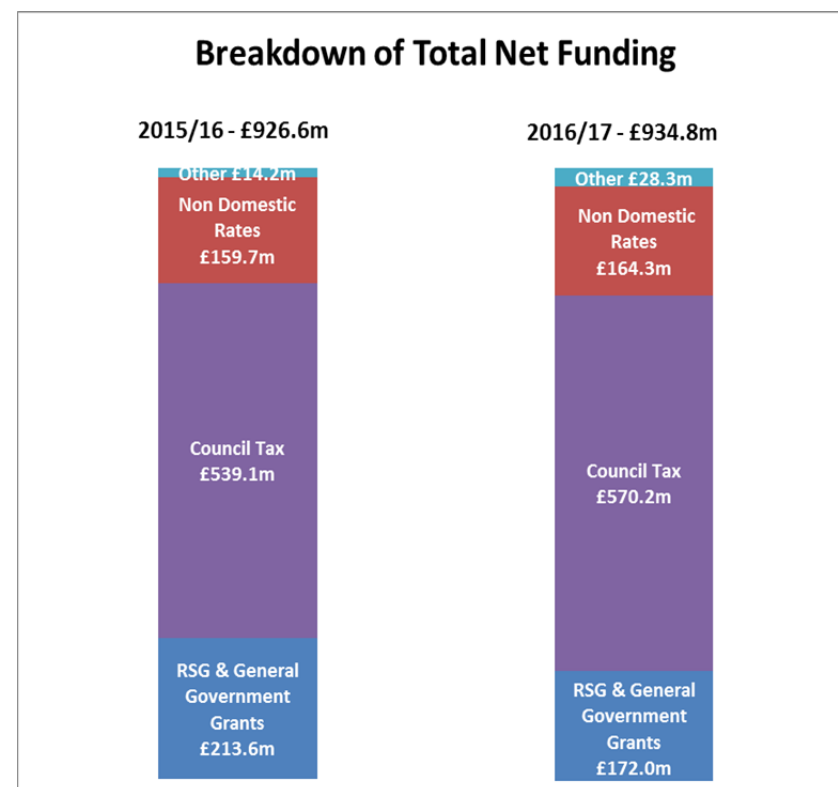
Budget Breakdown

	2015/16 £m	2016/17 £m
Gross Expenditure	1,778.8	1,773.7
<i>Deduct:</i>		
Income	(176.6)	(186.3)
Specific Government Grants (excluding DSG)	(112.5)	(113.4)
Specific Government Grants (DSG)	(563.1)	(539.2)
Subtotal: Net Cost of Services	926.6	934.8
<i>Deduct:</i>		
Council Tax Requirement	(539.1)	(570.2)
Revenue Support Grant	(160.8)	(117.9)
Non-Domestic Rates	(161.2)	(164.3)
Non-Domestic Rates Deficit *	1.5	2.4
General Government Grants	(52.8)	(54.0)
Withdrawal from General Balance	(3.5)	(19.4)
Council Tax Collection Fund Surplus *	(10.7)	(11.4)
Subtotal: Total Funding	(926.6)	(934.8)
Surplus/ (Deficit)/ Balanced budget	0.0	0.0

* Estimate of the variation of actual council tax and non-domestic rates revenue 2015/16 compared to that budgeted (technical adjustment)

A summary of the revenue budget and capital programme by portfolio is shown on pages 10 and 11.

Where Essex County Council money comes from



Council Tax Requirement

Under sections 42A and B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as inserted by the Localism Act 2011, there is a requirement to disclose the budget requirement and associated council tax requirement for the year. This is set out below.

Statutory disclosure requirement to the £

	2016/17 £
Net cost of Services	934,826,101
General Government Grants	(54,049,893)
Withdrawal from general balance	(19,359,228)
Budget requirement	861,416,981
Less funding available:	
RSG	117,938,175
NDR	164,381,609
NDR Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,443,681)
Council Tax Collection fund surplus	11,339,753
	291,215,856
Council tax requirement	570,201,124
Tax base	504,545
(Band D equivalent properties)	
Band D council tax	1,130.13

The Band D council tax charge is **£1,130.13**. The provisional council tax charge by band is set out in the following table. This represents an increase of under **84p** per week.

Provisional council tax charge by band

Council Tax Band	2015/16 £	2016/17 £
Band A	724.50	753.42
Band B	845.25	878.99
Band C	966.00	1,004.56
Band D	1,086.75	1,130.13
Band E	1,328.25	1,381.27
Band F	1,569.75	1,632.41
Band G	1,811.25	1,883.55
Band H	2,173.50	2,260.26

Revenue Budget Summary

Other Operating Costs

2014/15 Actuals £'000	2015/16 Original Budget £'000	2015/16 Latest Budget £'000		2016/17 Gross Expenditure £'000	2016/17 Income £'000	2016/17 Specific Grants £'000	2016/17 Total Net Expenditure £'000
Approps To/(From) Reserves and Restricted Use Funds							
(1,449)	(1,949)	(3,902)	A 130 PFI Reserve		(3,294)		(3,294)
1,320			Building Schools for the Future		(1,346)		(1,346)
400	1,000	450	Capital Receipts Pump Priming	1,000			1,000
114	529	529	Carbon Reduction Reserve	529			529
(2,573)		(12,677)	Carry Forwards Reserve		0		0
188	188	(155)	Clacton PFI Reserve	958			958
5,507	1,412	1,412	Collection Fund Risk Reserve				
(1,000)			Community Resilience Reserve				
	3,750	2,679	Community Initiatives Fund	1,500			1,500
(222)			Consultation Reserve				
(251)	(251)	(251)	Debden PFI Reserve	314	(0)		314
(3,000)			Economic Growth Strategy				
(200)	200	200	Energy Inflation Reserve				
			Essex On-Line Partnership Reserve				
3,000		(3,000)	Flood and Water Management Reserve				
4,770		(11,255)	Grant Equalisation Reserves				
(56)			Health And Safety Reserves				
	1,000	1,000	Innovation Reserve	1,000			1,000
(985)			Insurance Reserve				
(645)		(260)	Partnership Reserves		0		0
(1,012)	(1,574)	(1,574)	Pension Deficit Reserve		(1,574)		(1,574)
500	500	500	Quadrennial Elections Reserve	500			500
(3,294)		(1,068)	Redundancy Reserve				
17,606	1,824	3,878	Reserve For Future Capital Funding	3,699			3,699
2,131			Schools Reserves				
			Tendring PPP	74			74
(3,725)	(4,526)	(5,182)	Trading Activities Reserves		(6,483)		(6,483)
(2,254)	6,089	(7,203)	Transformation Reserves	21,851	(10,977)		10,874
(3,373)	2,471	9,560	Waste Reserve	9,882			9,882
11,495	10,663	(26,319)		41,307	(23,674)		17,634

Other Operating Costs (continued)

2014/15 Actuals £'000	2015/16 Original Budget £'000	2015/16 Latest Budget £'000		2016/17 Gross Expenditure £'000	2016/17 Income £'000	2016/17 Specific Grants £'000	2016/17 Total Net Expenditure £'000
27,065	27,547	26,747	Capital Financing	27,688			27,688
	8,000	7,500	Contingencies	4,000			4,000
	(1,000)	(1,000)	Dividends received		(1,021)		(1,021)
			Interest Payable				
(633)	(600)	(600)	Contributions - Transferred Debt		(530)		(530)
15,224	17,059	17,059	External Interest Payable	16,684			16,684
(97)	(100)	(100)	Loan Charges Grant		(90)		(90)
			Interest Receivable				
(3,108)	(1,961)	(1,961)	External Interest Receivable		(2,197)		(2,197)
478	1,031	1,031	Interest Reallocated		1,474		1,474
38,929	49,976	48,676		48,372	(2,363)		46,008
50,424	60,639	22,357	Net Cost of Services	89,679	(26,037)		63,642

Earmarked Reserves

	Balance at	Balance at	Required to balance the budget	Balance at 01 April 2016	Estimated closing balances			2017-18	2018-19
	01 April 2015	31 March 2016			Budgeted contributions	2016-17 Budgeted withdrawal	Estimated closing balances		
	£000	£000			£000	£000	£000		
General Balance	(59,100)	(79,731)	19,359	(60,372)	-	-	(60,372)	(60,372)	(60,372)
Reserves earmarked for future use									
Capital receipts pump priming	(2,221)	(2,671)	-	(2,671)	(1,000)	-	(3,671)	(4,671)	(5,671)
Carbon Reduction reserve	(3,075)	(3,604)	-	(3,604)	(529)	-	(4,133)	(3,162)	(2,941)
Carry Forwards Reserve	(12,677)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Collection Fund Investment Risk reserve	(9,772)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Community Initiatives Fund	-	(2,679)	-	(2,679)	(1,500)	-	(4,179)	(1,179)	(179)
Consultation reserve	(5,674)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy Inflation reserve	(920)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Essex Transport Reserve	(372)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flood and Water Management reserve	(3,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and Safety reserve	(207)	(207)	-	(207)	-	-	(207)	(207)	(207)
Insurance	(8,747)	(8,747)	-	(8,747)	-	-	(8,747)	(8,747)	(8,747)
Innovation reserve	-	(1,000)	-	(1,000)	(1,000)	-	(2,000)	(500)	-
Pension Fund Deficit reserve	(3,988)	(2,414)	-	(2,414)	-	1,574	(840)	-	-
Quadrennial Elections reserve	(500)	(1,000)	-	(1,000)	(500)	-	(1,500)	-	(500)
Redundancy reserve	(6,050)	(0)	-	(0)	-	-	-	-	-
Transformation reserve	(28,740)	(13,945)	-	(13,945)	(10,874)	-	(24,819)	(8,951)	(8,951)
Future capital funding									
General	(21,114)	(11,887)	-	(11,887)	(3,699)	-	(15,586)	(3,495)	(3,400)
Bellhouse landfill	(61)	(61)	-	(61)	-	-	(61)	(61)	(61)