



COUNCIL TAX 2026 -27

Council Tax is based on your home's value and who lives there, with discounts available in some situations.

Council Tax funds around one third of the Council's budget.

The rest comes from Welsh Government, including a share of business rates.

Most of the budget (70%) is spent on social care and Schools.



Funds from Welsh Government



Council Tax paid by Vale residents

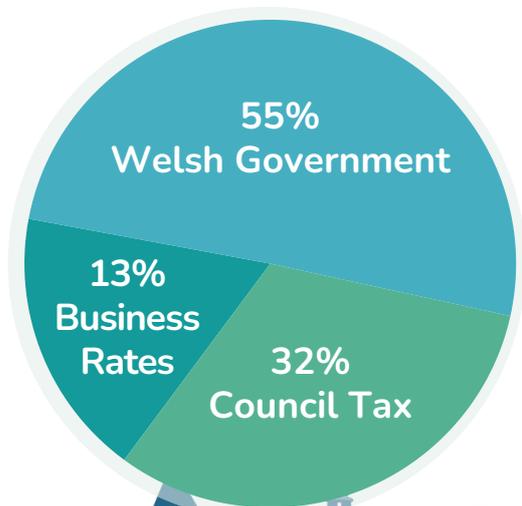


Vale Business Rates



The Council's Annual Budget

The budget comes from:



The 2026/27 budget is £355 million.

This figure represents the net expenditure, meaning it includes both the costs of services and the money made from charges for some services.

The budget is used to pay for the full range of council provision, including schools, a range of educational support for children, adult and children's social care, housing and homelessness support, highway work, waste and recycling services, maintaining outdoor spaces and more.



Income and Expenditure

Gross expenditure = Total amount spent

Income = Total amount received

Net expenditure = Total amount spent after subtracting revenue and income

| BUDGET TOTALS | 2026/27 £000's | 2025/26 £000's |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Total expenditure | £511,567 | £462,431 |
| Less: income | £144,339 | £127,651 |
| Net transfer from Reserves | £9,046 | £355 |
| TOTAL BUDGET | £358,182 | £335,135 |

| Service | Gross Expenditure £000's | | Income £000's | | Net Expenditure £000's | |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| | 2026 / 27 | 2025 / 26 | 2026 / 27 | 2025 / 26 | 2026 / 27 | 2025 / 26 |
| Education (inc. Libraries and School Transport) | £194,361 | £186,974 | £34,693 | £37,461 | £159,668 | £149,513 |
| Social Services | £136,914 | £126,822 | £22,645 | £20,303 | £114,269 | £106,519 |
| Housing, inc. benefits, revenue and other | £57,624 | £58,443 | £55,959 | £56,311 | £1,665 | £2,132 |
| Council tax relief | £12,999 | £12,335 | £0 | £0 | £12,999 | £12,335 |
| Regeneration and Development | £6,579 | £5,236 | £3,418 | £2,358 | £3,161 | £2,878 |
| Neighbourhood and Transport Services | £21,677 | £9,323 | £17,024 | £3,104 | £4,653 | £6,219 |
| Waste Services | £13,472 | £12,656 | £3,200 | £3,449 | £10,272 | £9,207 |
| Highways Services | £6,018 | £8,615 | £0 | £2,138 | £6,018 | £6,477 |
| Regulatory Services | £1,634 | £1,711 | £0 | £0 | £1,634 | £1,711 |
| Policy and Corporate Resources | £21,194 | £19,008 | £7,102 | £2,042 | £14,092 | £16,966 |
| Member Services | £1,880 | £1,729 | £0 | £0 | £1,880 | £1,729 |
| Borrowing and Investments | £8,301 | £8,122 | £0 | £0 | £8,301 | £8,122 |
| Capital and Other Expenditure met from Revenue | £15,479 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £15,479 | £0 |
| Fire Levy | £8,912 | £8,761 | £0 | £0 | £8,912 | £8,761 |
| Other Precepts and Levies | £113 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £113 | £0 |
| Town & Community Council Precepts | £4,120 | £3,851 | £0 | £0 | £4,120 | £3,851 |
| Transfer to / (from) General and Specific Reserves | £1,342 | -£800 | £10,686 | £485 | -£9,344 | -£1,285 |
| TOTAL | £512,619 | £462,786 | £154,728 | £127,651 | £357,891 | £335,135 |

| Funding | 2026/27 £000's | 2025/26 £000's |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Discretionary Non-Domestic Rate Reliefs | £290 | £290 |
| Revenue Support Grant | -£194,016 | -£176,793 |
| National Non-Domestic Rate Pool | -£46,117 | -£47,654 |
| Council Tax incl Town and Community Council Precepts | -£113,927 | -£110,978 |
| TOTAL | £357,891 | £335,135 |

Council Tax Rates

Town/Community Council Precept = the amount your town or community council charges residents

Town/Community Council charge for Band D = the amount a Band D property pays to the town or community council

Total Council Tax for Band D = the total council tax a Band D property pays for the year, including the town/community council precept

| Area | Town / Community Council Precept | | Town / Community Council charge (Band D property) | Total Council Tax (Band D property) |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | 2026/27 | 2025/26 | 2026/27 | 2026/27 |
| Barry | £1,503,130 | £1,357,630 | £69.67 | £2,237.46 |
| Colwinston | £21,390 | £20,650 | £57.19 | £2,224.98 |
| Cowbridge with Llanblethian | £364,374 | £354,528 | £119.86 | £2,287.65 |
| Dinas Powys | £161,675 | £153,471 | £39.75 | £2,207.54 |
| Ewenny | £24,000 | £24,000 | £51.50 | £2,219.29 |
| Llancarfan | £17,143 | £17,143 | £34.70 | £2,202.49 |
| Llandough | £81,745 | £72,997 | £83.33 | £2,251.12 |
| Llandow | £12,000 | £12,000 | £26.67 | £2,194.46 |
| Llanfair | £5,834 | £5,920 | £14.81 | £2,182.60 |
| Llangan | £11,784 | £11,784 | £24.50 | £2,192.29 |
| Llanmaes | £14,828 | £14,122 | £59.55 | £2,227.34 |
| Llantwit Major | £348,943 | £317,856 | £79.00 | £2,246.79 |
| Michaelston | £8,556 | £7,795 | £33.42 | £2,201.21 |
| Penarth | £1,121,670 | £1,068,390 | £93.39 | £2,261.18 |
| Pendoylan | £9,500 | £9,500 | £25.20 | £2,192.99 |
| Penllyn | £17,500 | £16,250 | £14.24 | £2,182.03 |
| Peterston-Super-Ely | £24,800 | £24,000 | £44.44 | £2,212.23 |
| Rhose | £0 | £0 | £0 | £2,167.79 |
| St.Athan | £99,148 | £87,800 | £54.12 | £2,221.91 |
| St Brides Major | £36,000 | £34,592 | £23.89 | £2,191.68 |
| St.Donats | £5,477 | £5,183 | £24.45 | £2,192.24 |
| St.Georges and St.Brides-Super-Ely | £7,880 | £7,500 | £32.43 | £2,200.22 |
| St.Nicholas and Bonvilston | £57,537 | £67,770 | £72.01 | £2,239.80 |
| Sully and Lavernock | £99,400 | £99,400 | £34.32 | £2,202.11 |
| Welsh St.Donats | £8,480 | £8,000 | £25.62 | £2,193.41 |
| Wenvoe | £45,500 | £43,333 | £28.94 | £2,196.73 |
| Wick | £12,000 | £9,000 | £21.66 | £2,189.45 |



Reserves

The council's budget reserves are savings set aside to cover unexpected costs or future projects.

| Reserved for: | Estimated Financial Reserves as at 31 March: | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------|
| | 2027 £000's | 2026 £000's |
| General Fund | £11,268 | £11,268 |
| Insurance | £4,454 | £4,454 |
| Service Reserves | £3,435 | £6,220 |
| Risk and Smoothing Reserves | £10,665 | £12,228 |
| Capital Reserves | £752 | £5,598 |
| Schools | £327 | £327 |
| Housing Revenue Account | £4,474 | £4,325 |
| TOTAL | £35,375 | £44,420 |



The Capital Programme

A council's capital programme outlines the council's long-term investment in major projects, such as the construction or renovation of buildings, infrastructure improvements, or purchasing large assets.

The programme details how the council will allocate resources over a set period (often several years) to fund these capital projects, which are usually designed to improve the community or provide essential services.

| Programme | 2026/27 £000's | 2025/26 £000's |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Learning and Skills | £33,989 | £19,342 |
| Social Services | £2,254 | £1,373 |
| Environment | £18,532 | £16,784 |
| Housing | £45,406 | £31,737 |
| Place | £24,506 | £13,612 |
| Resources | £709 | £312 |
| City Deal | £438 | £157 |
| Pipeline Schemes | £13,092 | £23,389 |
| TOTAL | £138,926 | £106,706 |

| Financed | 2026/27 £000's | 2025/26 £000's |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Capital Receipts | £4,266 | £3,194 |
| Reserves/Revenue Contribution | £15,479 | £14,790 |
| Grants | £73,627 | £54,393 |
| S106 | £5,680 | £1,935 |
| Borrowing | £39,874 | £32,394 |
| TOTAL | £138,926 | £106,706 |