



Derby City Council

COUNCIL
4 March 2015

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Report of the Cabinet Member for Housing,
Finance and Welfare

Council Tax 2015/16

SUMMARY

- 1.1 At its meeting on 18 February 2015, Cabinet recommended a net budget requirement of £221,791,594 for 2015/16 and an increase to the Council's Council Tax of 1.99%.
- 1.2 Under the Localism Act 2011 the Council, as a billing authority, is required to calculate its council tax requirement for the year. Derby City Council's Council Tax requirement has been calculated as £75,194,685.
- 1.3 This report sets out the Council's Council Tax requirement and the total Council Tax for Derby City residents for 2015/16 including the precepts for Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner and Derbyshire Fire Authority. Details of the changes in Council Tax levels set by these two organisations are set out in paragraph 4.4.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the budget requirement for Derby City Council for 2015/16 of £221,791,594 as recommended by Cabinet on 18 February 2015 and reported to Council on 4 March 2015.
- 2.2 To approve the Council Tax requirement for Derby City Council for 2015/16 of £75,194,685 in line with the detailed calculation presented in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 To confirm the following amounts for the year 2015/16, which are consistent with the net budget requirement recommended by the Cabinet at its meeting on 18 February, in accordance with Sections 31A (1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011:
 - a. £568,850,695 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e).
 - b. (£347,059,101) being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) and (c) of the Act.
 - c. £221,791,594 as its budget requirement for the year, being the

amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act.

d. £146,596,909 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, business rates top-up grant, revenue support grant, and additional corporate government grants

e. £1,189.03 as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year, being the amount at (c) above, less the amount at (d) above, all divided by the amount at 4.1 below, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33 of the Act.

f. for the following Valuation Bands:

	£		£
A	792.69	E	1,453.26
B	924.80	F	1,717.49
C	1,056.92	G	1,981.72
D	1,189.03	H	2,378.06

as the amounts to be taken into account for the year, under Section 30(2)(a) of the Act, in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands, being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (e) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to all dwellings listed in each 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.

- 2.4 To note that for the year 2015/16 Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner has stated the following in a precept to the Council, in accordance with section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

All dwellings in Valuation Band:

	£		£
A	115.74	E	212.19
B	135.03	F	250.77
C	154.32	G	289.35
D	173.61	H	347.22

- 2.5 To note that for the year 2015/16, Derbyshire Fire Authority has stated the following in a precept to the Council, in accordance with section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

All dwellings in Valuation Band:

	£		£
A	46.53	E	85.31
B	54.29	F	100.82
C	62.04	G	116.33
D	69.80	H	139.60

- 2.6 To set the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2015/16 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below, being the aggregate in each case of the amounts in 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992,

All dwellings in Valuation Band:

	£		£
A	954.96	E	1,750.76
B	1,114.12	F	2,069.08
C	1,273.28	G	2,387.40
D	1,432.44	H	2,864.88

- 2.7 To authorise the publication of the requisite notices in accordance with the provisions of Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 As a billing authority, the Council has a legal obligation to set an amount of Council Tax for each financial year and each category of dwellings in its area, as prescribed in the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011, and associated Regulations.



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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 At its meeting on 21 January 2015, the Cabinet approved the Council's Tax Base for the year 2015/16 as 63,240.36 equivalent band D properties, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/3012).
- 4.2 At the 18 February 2015 meeting, the Cabinet recommended the calculation of its Council Tax amounts for 2015/16. These amounts have been calculated in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011, and are set out for confirmation in paragraph 2.3(e) above.
- 4.4 Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Council must set an amount of council tax by taking the aggregate of the amount which has been calculated for the Council and any amounts that have been calculated in precepts issues to the Council by major precepting authorities. The Council has two major precepting authorities, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner and Derbyshire Fire Authority. Changes to Council Tax levels of 1.99% and 1.98% have been applied by these two organisations respectively.
- 4.5 The aggregate council tax amounts by valuation band, including that of the Council and both major precepting bodies, are set out for approval in paragraph 2.6 above.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 No other options considered. The Council has a statutory duty under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 to set an amount of council tax for the year 2015/16.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Estates/Property officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	Martyn Marples, Director of Finance and Procurement
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List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – Derby City Council council tax calculation 2015/16
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IMPLICATIONS**Financial and Value for Money**

- 1.1 As described in the report

Legal

- 2.1 Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Council is required to set an amount of council tax for each financial year and each category of dwellings in its area. The amount of council tax is calculated in accordance with the detailed requirements set out in Section 30 of the Act.

Personnel

- 3.1 None directly arising

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- 4.1 None directly arising

Equalities Impact

- 5.1 None directly arising

Health and Safety

- 6.1 None directly arising

Environmental Sustainability

- 7.1 None directly arising

Property and Asset Management

- 8.1 None directly arising

Risk Management

- 9.1 None directly arising

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 None directly arising

COUNCIL TAX STATUTORY CALCULATION 2015/16
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Derby City Council Budget Requirement 2015/16	R	£221,791,594
Retained Business Rates		£42,929,558
Business Rates Top Up Grant		£13,160,066
Revenue Support Grant		£44,929,762
Collection Fund Deficit – NDR		£5,336,000
Other Specific Grants		£40,241,523
	P	£146,596,909
Council Tax Requirement	C= R-P	£75,194,685
Tax Base for Tax Setting (Band D)	T	63,240.36
Basic Amount of Council Tax	C / T	£1,189.03
Derby		
Band A – (Disabled)	5/9	660.57
Band A	6/9	792.69
Band B	7/9	924.80
Band C	8/9	1,056.92
Band D	9/9	1,189.03
Band E	11/9	1,453.26
Band F	13/9	1,717.49
Band G	15/9	1,981.72
Band H	18/9	2,378.06
Council Tax 2014/15		£1,165.83
Unadjusted Increase Band D		£23.20
Unadjusted % Increase Band D		1.99%