

Council Tax Rates 2024/25

Band	Property Values (as at 01/04/91)	Stroud £	Police £	County £	Total £
A	Up to £40,000	157.35	205.39	1,066.55	1,429.29
B	£40,001 - £52,000	183.57	239.62	1,244.30	1,667.49
C	£52,001 - £68,000	209.80	273.85	1,422.06	1,905.71
D	£68,001 - £88,000	236.02	308.08	1,599.82	2,143.92
E	£88,001 - £120,000	288.47	376.54	1,955.34	2,620.35
F	£120,001 - 160,000	340.92	445.00	2,310.85	3,096.77
G	£160,001 - 320,000	393.37	513.47	2,666.37	3,573.21
H	Exceeding £320,000	472.04	616.16	3,199.64	4,287.84

Who Gets What?			
Parishes/Towns	£2.24	5.15%	
Stroud District Council	£4.54	10.44%	
Glos Police	£5.92	13.62%	
Glos County Council	£30.77	70.78%	
Cost per week	£43.47	100.00%	

If you are a band D payer £236.02 will go to Stroud District Council, £308.08 will be going to the Police and £1,599.82 will go towards services supplied by the County Council.

Stroud District Council

General Fund Spending Plans	2023/24 £000	2024/25 £000
Central services to the public	1,930	2,042
Corporate and democratic services	1,740	1,880
Cultural & related service	3,663	3,719
Environmental & regulatory services	8,818	9,154
Planning & development services	3,395	2,874
Highways & transport services	-306	-182
Housing general fund	4,010	2,695
Other services	1,196	1,193
Service revenue expenditure	24,447	23,376
Drainage board levy	178	196
Corporate income and expenditure	-6,184	-4,033
Budget pressures and service improvements	-100	518
Transfers to and from reserves	-130	-129
Net Spending	18,211	19,927
Partly funded by:		
New Homes Bonus and other grants	-1,712	-1,999
Budget requirement	16,499	17,928
Funded by		
Government support	-159	-170
Local Share of Retained Business Rates	-5,702	-6,680
Collection fund surplus (-) deficit (+)	20	16
Which leaves council tax payers to fund	10,658	11,095

Investment in the community

Improved community facilities, investment in local projects and help for residents who are struggling with the cost of living are key features of Stroud District Council's 2024/25 budget.

There is a further £150,000 to refurbish play areas, continued investment in Community Hubs, £120,000 for additional climate and nature recovery projects, funding for 51 new council homes, a £200,000 investment in market town high streets and £200,000 for improvement works around Stroud railway station. Homeowners are being incentivised to bring more than 500 second homes and more than 300 empty homes back into use through a council tax premium.

How our budget compares with last year

Budget Comparison	£000
Budget requirement 2023/24	16,499
Less: 2023/24 Service Improvements	100
Budget Pressures	1,000
Efficiency Savings	-482
Other Changes in Spending on Services	-1,071
Changes to Corporate Income and Expenditure	2,169
New Homes Bonus and other grants	-287
Movements in reserves and balances	1
Budget requirement 2024/25	17,928

The Level of Council Tax

This year, the council tax you pay for services provided by Stroud District Council is £229.17 for a band D property, which is an increase of 2.99 per cent or less than 13p per week. When setting the budget, we review our spending to make sure that your money is being spent carefully.

How many staff we employ

Stroud District Council has 461 full time equivalent posts in 2024/25 compared with 410 in 2023/24. Of this, 338 full time equivalents (285 in 2023/24) are funded from the General Fund. The increase in posts can be attributed to the transfer of the running of Stratford Park Leisure Centre to SDC from November 2024. The remaining 123 full time equivalents (125 in 2023/24) are employed within tenant services and funded from the Housing Revenue Account.

For further information please contact Financial Services on 01453 766321. A full breakdown of the budget is available on the council's website www.stroud.gov.uk.

Town & Parish Councils		2023/24	2024/25
		£	£
BERKELEY			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Berkeley Town Council 01453 511 964	Council costs (admin, CCTV, staffing, town enhancement Etc.)	100,050	109,330
	Contributions to other bodies	5,026	7,934
	Donations and Grants	2,800	2,800
	Buildings (Pavilion and Townhall)	9,947	11,000
	Open Spaces	16,054	17,850
	Projects	26,600	21,800
	Gross Expenditure	160,477	170,714
	Income and Use of Reserves	-14,000	-14,000
	Precept	146,477	156,714
CAINSCROSS			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Cainscross Town Council on 01453 756 036	Administration (office, training, insurance and fees)	181,850	188,300
	Highways, Amenities and Recreation (open spaces, environment, highways improvements, bus shelters)	107,690	122,700
	Civic and Community (events, newsletter and grants to community organisations)	42,917	18,200
	Vehicles and Equipment	0	4,750
	Gross Expenditure	332,457	333,950
	Income and Use of Reserves	-32,265	-15,580
	Precept	300,192	318,370
CAM			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Cam Parish Council on 01453 548 884	Service support	27,090	30,140
	Premises costs	15,995	25,580
	Recreation and leisure	70,455	45,527
	Community improvement	53,350	68,455
	Staff costs	168,000	176,400
	Gross Expenditure	334,890	346,102
	Income and Use of Reserves	-32,000	-31,500
	Precept	302,890	314,602
CHALFORD			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Chalford Parish Council on 01453 887 204	Administration, staffing, insurances, health and safety, utilities and legal	123,490	175,089
	Green spaces, recreation areas, footpaths, trees, maintenance and equipment	47,550	24,440
	Community Support (youth services, Crime & Disorder, Befriending, Defib)	22,900	24,300
	Communications, befriending, grants	5,000	4,200
	Climate change	6,000	4,000
	Gross Expenditure	204,940	232,029
	Income and Use of Reserves	-7,239	-16,700
	Precept	197,701	215,329
DURSLEY			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Dursley Town Council on 01453 547 758	Green spaces maintenance	330,525	276,889
	Town improvements and amenities	62,978	63,078
	Youth services	40,000	62,500
	Community grants	42,000	50,000
	Council administration	215,517	284,482
	Other services	4,200	2,210
	Gross Expenditure	695,220	739,159
	Income and Use of Reserves	-162,720	-202,159
	Precept	532,500	537,000
MINCHINHAMPTON			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Minchinhampton Parish Council 01453 731186	Administration (office, training, insurance, fees)	73,670	101,693
	Building maintenance	1,500	20,300
	Amenities (playgrounds, allotments, car park)	14,500	43,500
	Community projects	21,900	27,000
	Grants	13,750	12,500
	Youth Services	0	25,000
	Contingencies	0	5,000
	Gross Expenditure	125,320	234,993
	Income and Use of Reserves	-15,320	-35,340
	Precept	110,000	199,653
NAILSWORTH			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Nailsworth Town Council on 01453 833 592	Administrative, staffing, office, civic planning and support for town services	300,374	345,770
	Building maintenance	71,705	70,145
	Recreation and environment facilities	57,226	85,170
	Gross Expenditure	429,305	501,085
	Income and Use of Reserves	-67,670	-65,209
	Precept	361,635	435,876
STONEHOUSE			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Stonehouse Town Council on 01453 822 070	Staffing	180,000	205,000
	Grants	15,000	17,400
	Climate	7,000	5,000
	Business	146,380	149,957
	Environment	67,600	58,100
	Gross Expenditure	415,980	435,457
	Income and Use of Reserves	-42,007	-51,587
	Precept	373,973	383,870
STROUD			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Stroud Town Council on 01453 762 817	Green spaces, public space, recreation areas and cemetery	398,122	360,746
	Civic role, regeneration, festivals, arts, culture and Lansdown Hall	603,791	82,817
	Advice to public, administration, mortgage, building maintenance	843,923	439,393
	Community projects, grants, footpaths	69,820	171,620
	Planning and consultations	3,000	3,000
	Gross Expenditure	1,918,656	1,057,576
	Income and Use of Reserves	-1,050,468	-91,221
	Precept	868,188	966,355
WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE			
For further details please contact the Clerk to Wotton-under-Edge Town Council on 01453 843 210	Amenities (allotments, amenity areas & footpaths, town regeneration, civic centre, toilets, civic events, grants, CCTV, cemetery/churchyard, youth support, maintenance staff, Heritage Centre support, Library support)	246,119	264,835
	Special projects (Heritage Centre)	0	0
	Administration (office, staffing, insurance, health & safety, elections, audit & training and legal fees)	213,341	228,970
	Contingencies	6,000	10,000
	Town trust	33,211	34,629
	Swimming pool	28,000	28,000
	Gross Expenditure	526,671	566,434
	Income and Use of Reserves	-64,050	-70,050
	Precept	462,621	496,384