

HOW WE WORK OUT YOUR COUNCIL TAX

The table below shows how much we plan to spend on each of the main services we provide.

(These figures include charges made between departments.)

We then calculate the Council Tax after taking account of total spending plans and the budget requirement.

The Council Tax Requirement amount stated below includes the Council Tax collected from Canvey Island residents on behalf of Canvey Island Town Council.

	Last year (2024/25) £ thousands	This year (2025/26) £ thousands
Corporate & Customer	4,382	3,632
Commercial & Assets	(895)	(759)
Environmental health	1,271	1,138
Waste collection and recycling	2,090	2,610
Cultural Services	2,414	1,759
Highways roads and transport services	479	544
Other environmental services	652	939
Place & Communities	3,485	4,761
Housing services	0	-
Planning services	0	-
Other operating income & expenditure	1,730	965
Total spending plans	15,609	15,588
Transfer into / (from) general reserve	3	0
Transfer into / (from) earmarked reserves	(799)	(530)
Precept claimed by Canvey Island Town Council	288	298
Budget requirement	15,101	15,357
Less business rates income	(1,442)	(7,199)
Less Central Government grants	(3,559)	(3,920)
Less capital grants and contributions	(959)	5,130
Transfer into / (from) the Collection Fund	0	0
Council Tax Requirement	9,141	9,367

	Last year (2024/25)	This year (2025/26)	Percentage Change
Tax Base - Castle Point Borough Council	31,417	31,257	
Tax Base - Canvey Island Town Council	21,136	12,035	
Council Tax at band D for Castle Point Borough Council	£281.79	£290.16	2.97%
Council Tax at band D for Canvey Island Town Council	£23.76	£24.75	4.17%

HOW MUCH YOU HAVE TO PAY

We work out your Council Tax by adding together the money each local authority needs. This year, the total Council Tax we have to collect is £69.32 million.

We work out how much Council Tax the properties in each valuation band should pay in line with the amount that homes in band D will pay.

	Amount needed £	Council Tax for each Band D property £
Castle Point Borough Council	9,069,531	290.16
Essex County Council	49,373,245	1,579.59
Essex PFCC - Fire and Rescue Authority	2,737,175	87.57
Essex PFCC - Policing and Community Safety	8,138,385	260.37
Total (not including Canvey Island Town Council)	69,318,336	2,217.69

CHANGES IN INCOME AND SPENDING

This table shows the main changes from our 2024/25 to our 2025/26 budget.

	£ thousands
Council Tax requirement 2024/25	9,141
Changes in staffing costs	1,261
Changes in pension costs	0
Changes in property costs	188
Changes in transport costs	0
Changes in cost of supplies, services, equipment and similar items	304
Changes in cost of contracts and similar items	(456)
Changes in insurance costs	27
Changes in housing benefit net costs	50
Changes in homelessness net costs	581
Changes in costs relating to the funding of capital spending	(1,430)
Changes in internal recharges costs	930
Changes in income from sales, fees, grants and similar items	(1,495)
Net total of all other changes in costs	0
Total change in budget requirement	(20)
Change in value of transfer into / (from) general reserve	(3)
Change in value of transfer into / (from) earmarked reserves	269
Change in value of precept claimed by Canvey Island Town Council	10
Change in value of business rates income and government grants	(6,118)
Change in value of capital grants and contributions	6,089
Change in value of transfer into / (from) the Collection Fund	0
Council Tax requirement 2025/26	9,367.456