

## SETTING THE COUNCIL TAX 2019/20

### 1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report seeks authorisation from Council to set the Council Tax for the year 2019/20.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 At the Council Meeting held on 12 February 2019, Rochford District Council agreed its revenue budget for 2019/20 set out within the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and to increase council tax by 2.98%, resulting in an average Band D property charge of £230.31 for 2019/20.
- 2.2 In order to set the total Council Tax, information is required from Essex County Council, the Essex Police Fire and Crime Commissioner, Essex County Fire and Rescue Service and the Parish and Town Councils. This information is provided in Appendices A to E.

### 3 2019/20 COUNCIL TAX

- 3.1 When publishing council tax figures for local authority areas, it is established practice to use the Band D charge and an average charge for the parish/town council tax. The 2019/20 charge compared to 2018/19 is shown below:

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	Increase £	Increase %
Essex County Council	1143.09	1179.63	36.54	2.99
Essex County Council Social Care Levy	78.66	90.81	12.15	1.00
Essex County Fire and Rescue	70.38	72.45	2.07	2.94
Essex Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner	169.02	192.96	23.94	14.16
Town/Parish Councils	45.91	48.66	2.75	5.99
Rochford District Council	223.65	230.31	6.66	2.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>1730.71</b>	<b>1814.82</b>		

- 3.2 While the average Band D charge purely for Rochford District Council is £230.31, the total will vary across the district due to the differences in the town/parish councils. Accordingly the Band D charge for the combined district and parish/town council charge will be between £263.75 (Rayleigh) to £376.00 (Sutton). The average increase for these elements is 4.19%.

- 3.3 The breakdown of the town and parish councils' Band D charge and increases is set out in the table below:

	Band D Charge		Increase / (Reduction)	
	2018/19	2019/20	£	%
Ashingdon	71.68	77.44	5.76	8.0%
Barling Magna	69.77	76.38	6.61	9.5%
Canewdon	73.39	75.98	2.59	3.5%
Foulness	36.36	41.74	5.38	14.8%
Great Wakering	33.45	34.96	1.51	4.5%
Hawkwell	37.34	37.79	0.45	1.2%
Hockley	61.02	69.07	8.05	13.2%
Hullbridge	67.69	72.06	4.37	6.5%
Paglesham	54.78	61.12	6.34	11.6%
Rawreth	44.17	55.67	11.5	26.0%
Rayleigh	33.44	33.44	0	0.0%
Rochford	55.00	60.50	5.5	10.0%
Stambridge	133.60	137.92	4.32	3.2%
Sutton	132.10	145.69	13.59	10.3%

#### 4 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed and found there to be no impacts (either positive or negative) on protected groups, as defined under the Equality Act 2010.

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**5 RECOMMENDATION****5.1 It is proposed that Council RESOLVES**

- (1) That the council tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2019/20 (excluding parish and town precepts) is £7,270,915
- (2) That the council tax requirement of the Council, together with the parish and town councils, be £8,807,194 for the same period.
- (3) That the basic amount of council tax (including parish and town Precepts) be £278.97 for the year. This being the council tax requirement £8,807,194 divided by the council tax base of 31,570.4
- (4) That the total of parish and town precepts included within the above be £1,536,279
- (5) That the basic rate of council tax relating to the Council without parish and town precepts be £230.31, which is a 2.98% increase.
- (6) That the total tax for both the Council and the town/parishes councils be as set out in the schedule in Appendix B.
- (7) That the sums given above for Band D but now shown in the particular valuations bands A-H be as set out in the schedule in Appendix C.
- (8) That the precepts issued to the Council in respect of Essex County Council, Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner and Essex County Fire and Rescue Service for each valuation band A-H be as set out in the schedule in Appendix D.
- (9) That the total council tax for the area for each valuation band A-H be as set out in Appendix E. These are the amounts set as council tax for the year 2019/20.
- (10) That the total of the sums payable into the Council's General Fund in respect of redistributed business rates, levy surplus grant, New Homes Bonus and adjustments from the collection fund, be £3,574,907.

**Background Papers:-**

None

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## BUDGET SUMMARY AND BALANCES 2019/20

	2018/19		2019/20	
	Estimate	Per Band D Property	Estimate	Per Band D Property
	£	£	£	£
Leader / Deputy Leader	1,594,799	50.96	1,608,900	50.96
Finance	1,495,091	47.77	1,574,450	49.87
Enterprise	348,499	11.14	552,600	17.50
Planning	447,100	14.29	402,700	12.76
Environment	2,779,399	88.81	2,918,500	92.44
Governance	973,599	31.11	986,700	31.25
Community	1,554,198	49.66	1,449,200	45.90
Add to Reserves / (Use of Reserves)	903,344	28.86	1,552,772	49.18
Net Committee Expenditure	10,096,029	322.59	11,045,822	349.88
Collection Fund Deficit/Surplus	(55,604)	(1.78)	(43,544)	(1.38)
Reversal of Capital Charges	0	0.00	0	0.00
Salary Savings	(200,000)	(6.39)	(200,000)	(6.34)
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>9,840,425</b>	<b>314.42</b>	<b>10,802,278</b>	<b>342.16</b>
Less: Retained Business Rates	(1,943,063)	(62.08)	(2,847,329)	(90.19)
Government Grant	0	0.00	(26,233)	(0.83)
New Homes Bonus	(897,772)	(28.69)	(657,801)	(20.84)
New Transition Grant	0	0.00	0	0.00
Council Tax Requirement	6,999,591	223.65	7,270,915	230.31
Add: Parish Council Expenditure	1,436,828	45.91	1,536,279	48.66
<b>Council Tax Requirement including local precepts</b>	<b>8,436,419</b>	<b>269.56</b>	<b>8,807,194</b>	<b>278.97</b>
<b>Taxbase</b>		<b>31,297.07</b>		<b>31,570.40</b>

### Statement of Revenue Balances

	General Fund £
Brought forward 1st April 2018	989,000
Contribution to/(from) Balances 2018/2019	(82,500)
Estimated Balance 1st April 2019	906,500
Contribution to/(from) Balances 2019/20	-
<b>Estimated Balance 31st March 2020</b>	<b>906,500</b>

**Total Council Tax for Parish/Town Council and Rochford District Council**

	Band D Equivalents	Parish Precept	Parish Charge	District Charge	Total Charge
Ashingdon	1,199.00	92,852	77.44	230.31	307.75
Barling	601.40	45,932	76.38	230.31	306.69
Canewdon	585.10	44,455	75.98	230.31	306.29
Foulness Island	64.50	2,692	41.74	230.31	272.05
Great Wakering	2,002.10	69,993	34.96	230.31	265.27
Hawkwell	4,774.50	180,428	37.79	230.31	268.10
Hockley	3,868.30	267,184	69.07	230.31	299.38
Hullbridge	2,282.10	164,450	72.06	230.31	302.37
Paglesham	103.70	6,338	61.12	230.31	291.43
Rawreth	443.60	24,694	55.67	230.31	285.98
Rayleigh	12,251.20	409,701	33.44	230.31	263.75
Rochford	3,113.90	188,390	60.50	230.31	290.81
Stambridge	227.90	31,433	137.92	230.31	368.23
Sutton	53.10	7,736	145.69	230.31	376.00
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# District and Parish/Town Council tax by Bands A - H

	Band D Equivalents	Parish Precept	Parish Charge	District Charge	Total Charge
Ashingdon	1,199.00	92,852	77.44	230.31	307.75
Barling	601.40	45,932	76.38	230.31	306.69
Canewdon	585.10	44,455	75.98	230.31	306.29
Foulness Island	64.50	2,692	41.74	230.31	272.05
Great Wakering	2,002.10	69,993	34.96	230.31	265.27
Hawkwell	4,774.50	180,428	37.79	230.31	268.10
Hockley	3,868.30	267,184	69.07	230.31	299.38
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	BAND A 6/9	BAND B 7/9	BAND C 8/9	BAND D 1	BAND E 11/9	BAND F 13/9	BAND G 15/9	BAND H 2
Ashingdon	205.17	239.36	273.56	307.75	376.14	444.53	512.92	615.50
Barling	204.46	238.54	272.61	306.69	374.84	443.00	511.15	613.38
Canewdon	204.19	238.23	272.26	306.29	374.35	442.42	510.48	612.58
Foulness Island	181.37	211.59	241.82	272.05	332.51	392.96	453.42	544.10
Great Wakering	176.85	206.32	235.80	265.27	324.22	383.17	442.12	530.54
Hawkwell	178.73	208.52	238.31	268.10	327.68	387.26	446.83	536.20
Hockley	199.59	232.85	266.12	299.38	365.91	432.44	498.97	598.76
Hullbridge	201.58	235.18	268.77	302.37	369.56	436.76	503.95	604.74
Paglesham	194.29	226.67	259.05	291.43	356.19	420.95	485.72	582.86
Rawreth	190.65	222.43	254.20	285.98	349.53	413.08	476.63	571.96
Rayleigh	175.83	205.14	234.44	263.75	322.36	380.97	439.58	527.50
Rochford	193.87	226.19	258.50	290.81	355.43	420.06	484.68	581.62
Stambridge	245.49	286.40	327.32	368.23	450.06	531.89	613.72	736.46
Sutton	250.67	292.44	334.22	376.00	459.56	543.11	626.67	752.00

**Precepts for Essex County Council, Essex Police and Fire Crime Commissioner (Fire and Rescue Authority) (Policing and Community Safety) and Rochford District Council**

ECC General Charge	ECC Adult Social Care Precept	Police Charge	Fire Charge	District Charge	Total Charge	BAND A 6/9	BAND B 7/9	BAND C 8/9	BAND D 1	BAND E 11/9	BAND F 13/9	BAND G 15/9	BAND H 2
1,179.63					1,179.63	786.42	917.49	1,048.56	1,179.63	1,441.77	1,703.91	1,966.05	2,359.26
	90.81				90.81	60.54	70.63	80.72	90.81	110.99	131.17	151.35	181.62
		192.96			192.96	128.64	150.08	171.52	192.96	235.84	278.72	321.60	385.92
			72.45		72.45	48.30	56.35	64.40	72.45	88.55	104.65	120.75	144.90
				230.31	230.31	153.54	179.13	204.72	230.31	281.49	332.67	383.85	460.62



# **Total Council Tax by Bands A-H**

	Band D Equivalents	Parish Precept	Parish Charge	District Charge	ECC General Charge	ECC Adult Social Care Precept	Fire Charge	Police Charge	Total Charge
Ashington	1,199.00	92,852	77.44	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,843.60
Barling	601.40	45,932	76.38	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,842.54
Canewdon	585.10	44,455	75.98	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,842.14
Foulness Island	64.50	2,692	41.74	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,807.90
Great Wakering	2,002.10	69,993	34.96	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,801.12
Hawkwell	4,774.50	180,428	37.79	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,803.95
Hockley	3,868.30	267,184	69.07	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,835.23
Hullbridge	2,282.10	164,450	72.06	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,838.22
Paglesham	103.70	6,338	61.12	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,827.28
Rawreth	443.60	24,694	55.67	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,821.83
Rayleigh	12,251.20	409,701	33.44	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,799.60
Rochford	3,113.90	188,390	60.50	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,826.66
Stambridge	227.90	31,433	137.92	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,904.08
Sutton	53.10	7,736	145.69	230.31	1,179.63	90.81	72.45	192.96	1,911.85
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Ashington	1,229.07	1,433.91	1,638.76	1,843.60	2,253.29	2,662.98	3,072.67	3,687.20
Barling	1,228.36	1,433.09	1,637.81	1,842.54	2,251.99	2,661.45	3,070.90	3,685.08
Canewdon	1,228.09	1,432.78	1,637.46	1,842.14	2,251.50	2,660.87	3,070.23	3,684.28
Foulness Island	1,205.27	1,406.14	1,607.02	1,807.90	2,209.66	2,611.41	3,013.17	3,615.80
Great Wakering	1,200.75	1,400.87	1,601.00	1,801.12	2,201.37	2,601.62	3,001.87	3,602.24
Hawkwell	1,202.63	1,403.07	1,603.51	1,803.95	2,204.83	2,605.71	3,006.58	3,607.90
Hockley	1,223.49	1,427.40	1,631.32	1,835.23	2,243.06	2,650.89	3,058.72	3,670.46
Hullbridge	1,225.48	1,429.73	1,633.97	1,838.22	2,246.71	2,655.21	3,063.70	3,676.44
Paglesham	1,218.19	1,421.22	1,624.25	1,827.28	2,233.34	2,639.40	3,045.47	3,654.56
Rawreth	1,214.55	1,416.98	1,619.40	1,821.83	2,226.68	2,631.53	3,036.38	3,643.66
Rayleigh	1,199.73	1,399.69	1,599.64	1,799.60	2,199.51	2,599.42	2,999.33	3,599.20
Rochford	1,217.77	1,420.74	1,623.70	1,826.66	2,232.58	2,638.51	3,044.43	3,653.32
Stambridge	1,269.39	1,480.95	1,692.52	1,904.08	2,327.21	2,750.34	3,173.47	3,808.16
Sutton	1,274.57	1,486.99	1,699.42	1,911.85	2,336.71	2,761.56	3,186.42	3,823.70