

Budget Consultation 2017/18

This year's budget proposals will seek to ensure our Council Plan priorities continue to be delivered, whilst ensuring our financial position is managed effectively. Even though we spend one of the lowest amounts per head of population amongst UK local authorities, we still provide the same services as other, higher spending councils. We need to make difficult decisions about which services should be protected, which we can deliver differently, those we might need to cut and whether charges for some services should be increased. Please help us with the challenges we face by completing this questionnaire and indicate the services you think are most important.

* 1. I am answering this survey as a:

- ☐ Resident
- ☐ Business

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Council Tax

Basic council tax may be increased by 1.99% before a local referendum is required. The table below sets out the weekly increase in cost per household based on a 1.99% increase in the City of York Council element of council tax (this excludes precepts which may be applied to your council tax bill from parish councils, North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and Police and Crime Commissioner).

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
CYC element of Council Tax (16/17)	£800.34	£933.73	£1,067.12	£1,200.51	£1,467.29	£1,734.07	£2,000.85	£2,401.02
1.99% increase - weekly cost to household	£0.31	£0.36	£0.41	£0.46	£0.56	£0.66	£0.77	£0.92

2. In order to balance the budget, would you rather we;(please tick as many as apply)

- ☐ Increased council tax levels
- ☐ Increased charges
- ☐ Provided fewer services

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Social Care Precept

It is expected that by 2019/20 adult social care costs will account for around 50 per cent of the council’s net budget.

Local authorities with responsibility for adult social care have been given the flexibility to charge a further 3% which must be used entirely to fund adult social care. The social care precept may be charged in addition to the basic council tax increase mentioned above (which may be between 0% and 1.99%).

An increase in council tax for the social care precept would have the following effect on the weekly cost per household.

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1% increase - weekly cost to household	£0.15	£0.18	£0.21	£0.23	£0.28	£0.33	£0.38	£0.46
2% increase - weekly cost to household	£0.31	£0.36	£0.41	£0.46	£0.56	£0.67	£0.77	£0.92
3% increase - weekly cost to household	£0.46	£0.54	£0.62	£0.69	£0.85	£1.00	£1.15	£1.39

3. Do you support an increase in council tax to fund adult social care and by how much?

- ☐ I do not support an increase
- ☐ I support a 1% increase
- ☐ I support a 2% increase
- ☐ I support a 3% increase

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Funding for services

4. Thinking about each of the following services, which do you believe should have its funding stay the same and which should have its funding reduced or increased? *(please tick one box in each row)*

	Reduced	Same	Increased
Children's social care services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult's social care services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Services for young people eg youth clubs, careers advice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing and homelessness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Libraries	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Theatres and museums	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parks and open spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sport and leisure facilities, events and activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support for schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Waste and recycling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Street cleaning	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Crime prevention and community safety	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Road and footpath maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Funding for public transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Comments

5. What is your home postcode? (eg YO1 6GA):

6. Please feel free to provide any further comments on the budget