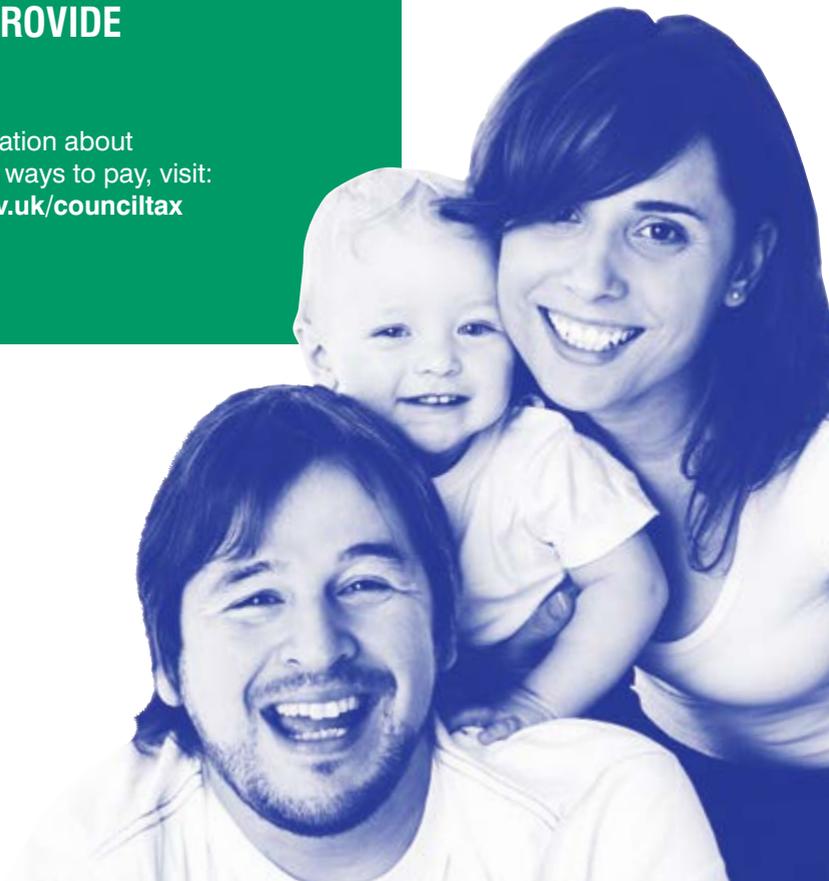


SUTTON COUNCIL TAX



WHAT YOU PAY AND WHAT WE PROVIDE 2018/2019

For more information about
Council Tax and ways to pay, visit:
www.sutton.gov.uk/counciltax



YOUR COUNCIL TAX EXPLAINED 2018/19

Funding reductions from central government since 2010 and increased pressure on services means we have to save £102m from our annual budget by 2020/21. Our net budget requirement for 2018/19 is £148.5m (after taking off £6.6m of core grants).

Between 2010/11 to 2018/19 the council delivered £83m through increasing efficiency, sharing services with other boroughs and reducing or finding other ways of delivering services. To save the remaining £19m we are going to have to change, reduce and stop more services. We continue to need your help, as a result we have relaunched the Sutton's Future consultation for 2018. You can have your say on how best we safeguard key services, play your part by telling us which services should be kept and how they should be run, by visiting www.sutton.gov.uk/suttonsfuture.

To help bridge the gap between the money we now receive from the Government (which will be £4.4m less in 2018/19 than in 2017/18) and how much our services

cost to run we have taken the decision to increase council tax. This is to contribute towards the increasing cost of adult social care, as a result of the growing numbers of elderly and frail people with increasingly complex needs. The Government has allowed councils, and we have agreed, an increase of council tax by 2% (£1.83m) specifically to help pay for adult social care which will cost a total of £53.9m in 2018/19. This equals a 48p per week increase to Band D Council Tax.

In addition, the council has decided to increase council tax for general purposes by 1.99% (£1.82m) in order to help us retain key services which have a significant impact on people's lives. This equals a 48p per week increase to Band D Council Tax.

2%

**INCREASE TO
PAY FOR ADULT
SOCIAL CARE**

1.99%

**INCREASE FOR
GENERAL KEY
SERVICES**

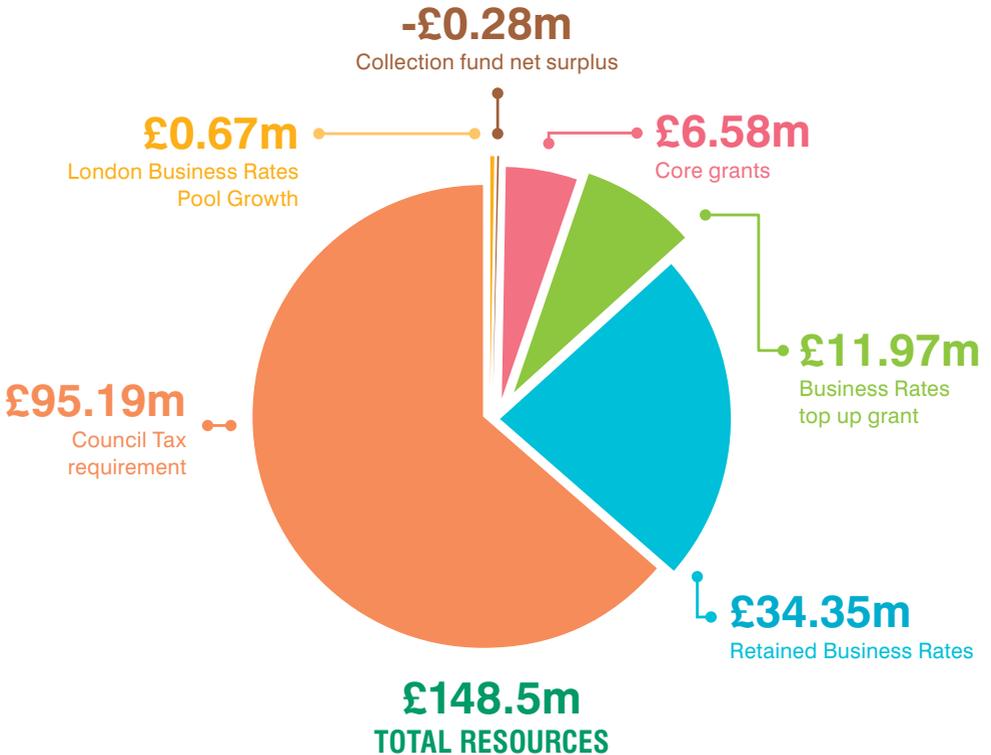
£4.4M

**LESS GOVERNMENT
FUNDING SINCE
2017/18**

£53.9M

**TOTAL COST OF
ADULT SOCIAL
CARE IN 2018/19**

1 SUTTON COUNCIL RESOURCES – WHERE OUR MONEY COMES FROM:



From 2018/19, Sutton Council along with all London Boroughs has signed up to a London Business Rates Pilot Pool. Effectively, this Pilot Pool changes the way London Boroughs are funded. London Boroughs will no longer receive Revenue Support Grant. A “no detriment guarantee” has been included that ensures participating Boroughs could not be worse off collectively than before they entered the Pilot Pool.

2 THE CHARGE FOR COUNCIL TAX IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:



3 OUR RESOURCES ARE THEN SPENT ON:



£53.9m

Adult social services and Public Health



£46.1m

Protecting and supporting children



£15.1m

Waste services, street cleaning, environmental health and environment protection



£5.6m

Cultural services, libraries and leisure centres



£7.3m

Highways maintenance, street management and parks



£9.5m

Economic development, housing*, planning and sustainability
*general fund



£7.6m

Community engagement, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour, elections and Smarter Council

£3.4m

Corporate facilities and support, interest, levies and centrally held budgets less core grants



MY ACCOUNT

You can see your council tax, business rates or benefits account online at www.sutton.gov.uk/myaccount. Choose to receive your bills by email, see a full statement of your account, a list of your payments and your discount and exemption details as well as find out when your instalments are due. Look out for news of our new My Account system in 2018/19.

SELF SERVE

A quick, easy and secure way to tell us if you move house, change your name, claim single person's discount or set up a direct debit – visit www.sutton.gov.uk/counciltaxselfserve



WAYS YOU CAN BE INVOLVED AND STAY INFORMED:

Sutton Council is working with people who live and work in the borough to build a community in which all can take part and all can take pride. Together we are meeting the challenges presented by continuing government reductions to our funding and increased need for our services.

My Sutton

Residents can learn more about the services we provide and take part in online conversations to share views and ideas on My Sutton, our online community. You will help us find out what matters most to residents and develop the new services future residents will need. You can take part in polls, comment on projects or just leave feedback. The more you do the better our services will become, but the amount you want to get involved is completely up to you.

To find out more or to register please visit www.sutton.gov.uk/mysutton

Residents' e-newsletter

Sutton Scene is our fortnightly e-newsletter for residents, to help keep you informed about changes to services, new campaigns, events and activities.

If you would like to receive the email visit www.sutton.gov.uk/suttonscene to register.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for up to the minute news:

 www.facebook.com/SuttonCouncil

What do you love about your area? How can it be improved?

Let us know your thoughts on big topics like housing, education, community, healthcare and green spaces. Join the conversation, think big and beyond the everyday.

For more information please visit www.sutton.gov.uk/suttonsfuture

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

#TakePartMakeChange



KEY POINTS:

The borough will have lost 40% of Government funding from 2010 until 2019.

We need to save £102m by 2020/21.

So far, with your help we have saved £83m since austerity began (between 2010/11 and 2018/19).

We still need to save £19m from the annual budget by 2021.

There continue to be pressures on health and social services as a result of growing numbers of children in need and our ageing local population.

Since 2014 there has been a 40% increase in pupils with Special Education Needs.

The Homeless Reduction Act 2017 comes into force on 1st April 2018, whilst welcome it will cost Sutton between £750k and £1.1m.

**HAVE YOUR SAY AND SECURE
SUTTON'S FUTURE.**

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