

2026-27



## BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

### Where your Council Tax goes

In 2026/27 people who live in Babergh will pay £83.16 million in Council Tax.

This money goes to the following:

- Suffolk County Council receives £64.41 million (77.5% of the total)
- Police and Crime Commissioner receives £11.33 million (13.6% of the total)
- Babergh District Council receives £7.42 million (8.9% of the total)

These authorities also get money from the Government, from fees and charges and from Business Rates to pay for the services they provide. Business Rates are collected locally by the District Council, an element of what is collected is then paid across to Central Government as well as Suffolk County Council. Suffolk has a 'pooling' arrangement to maximise the amount of money retained and to protect against the risk of reductions in Business Rates income.

The District Council collects the money on behalf of all the authorities.

The District Council also receives money from Central Government by way of the New Homes Bonus. This money will be used to support the Council's strategic priorities, transformation and invest to save projects.

### What you pay for services

Band	Suffolk County Council	Police and Crime Commissioner	Babergh District Council	This year	Each week
A	1154.46	202.98	133.01	1490.45	28.66
B	1346.87	236.81	155.18	1738.86	33.44
C	1539.28	270.64	177.35	1987.27	38.22
D	1731.69	304.47	199.52	2235.68	42.99
E	2116.51	372.13	243.86	2732.50	52.55
F	2501.33	439.79	288.20	3229.32	62.10
G	2886.15	507.45	332.53	3726.13	71.66
H	3463.38	608.94	399.04	4471.36	85.99

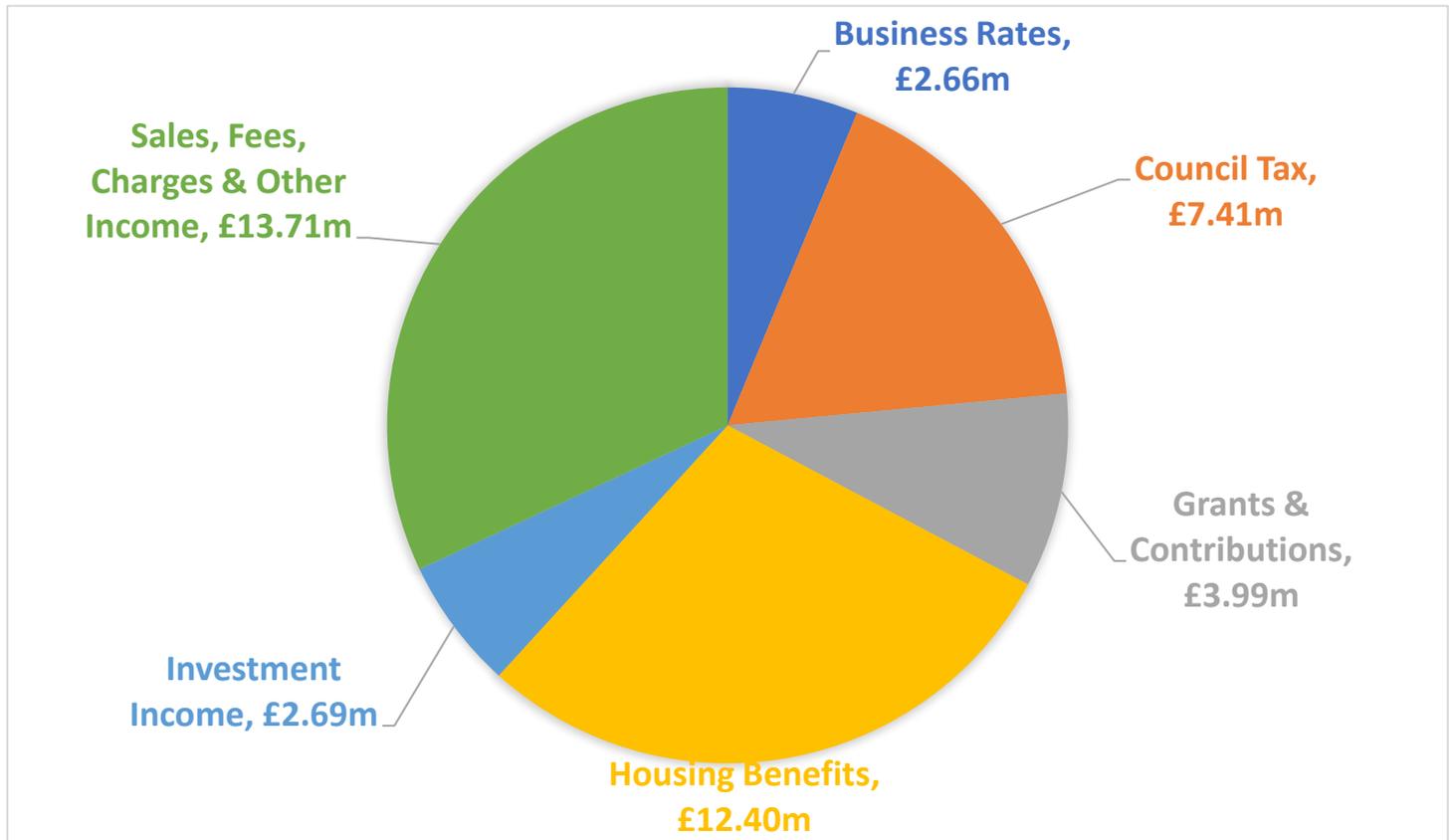
If you have a parish or town council in your area, your final bill will also include a contribution to them. Your bill will give you the full details. The average cost for a Band D property is £2,235.68

# Babergh District Council Budget Summary

	2025/2026 budget			2026/2027 budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£'000			£'000		
Services funded by Council Tax	37,353	(24,316)	13,037	40,632	(27,882)	12,749
Financing adjustments			582			1,307
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>13,619</b>			<b>14,056</b>
<b><i>Changes in spending from the year before:</i></b>						
Budget requirement 2025/26			13,335			13,619
Pay and contractual price inflation			86			742
Other Budget Adjustments			2,359			8,965
Savings & additional income			(2,161)			(9,270)
<b>Budet Requirement 2026/27</b>			<b>13,619</b>			<b>14,056</b>

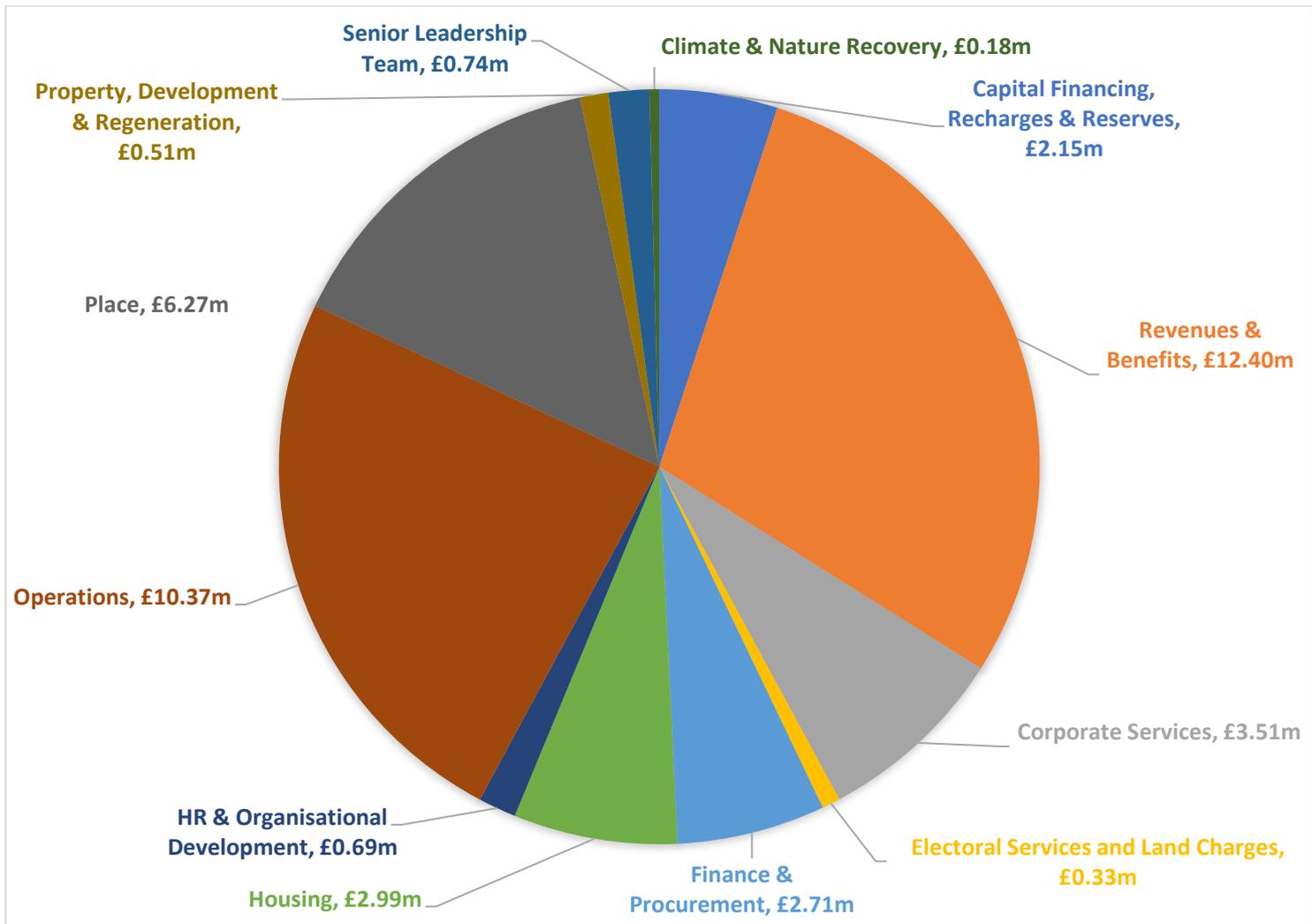
## Where the money comes from:

Income 2026/27 - £42.9M



# Where we spend our money:

## Expenditure 2026/27 - £42.9M



## Parish and town councils spending more than £140,000 in 2026/27

Great Cornard	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Labour costs	106		106	106		106
Public open spaces	45		45	71	15	56
Lighting	31		31	40		40
Other services	48	20	28	33	6	27
General expenses	54		54	58		58
Administration	12		12	14		14
Contribution to reserves	30		30	30		30
<b>Total</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>331</b>

Pinewood	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Administration/Subscriptions	177		177	193		193
Maintenance/Repairs/Bin Emptying	4		4	4		4
Community Hall	34	43	-9	37	77	-41
Loan Repayments	32		32	32		32
Earmarked Reserves		22	-22			0
Bank Interest					3	-3
<b>Total</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>187</b>

Sudbury	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Cemetery	157	48	109	161	48	113
Market	82	82	-0	97	82	15
Town Hall	113	28	86	133	18	115
Other services	441	56	385	622	71	551
Councillors' Training and Expenses	8	0	8	8	0	8
Grants	50	0	50	50	0	50
Administration	299	42	257	309	39	270
Capital and Loans	18	0	18	18	0	18
Contribution to /(from) reserves *	0	53	-53	0	231	-231
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,168</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>1,398</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>909</b>

Long Melford	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Administration	138	22	116	131	22	109
Burial Services	6	33	-27	6	30	-24
Street Lighting Maintenance	10		10	9		9
Long Melford Country Park	21	2	20	10	2	8
Public Toilets	13		13	25		25
Public Places	29		29	38		38
Grants	8		8	7		7
Events	15		15	20		20
Council project/infrastructure funding	5		5	39	38	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>193</b>

Hadleigh	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Administration	242	23	219	252	21	231
Hadleigh Pool & Leisure Management Fee	32	0	32	32	0	32
Guildhall and Town Hall	40	0	40	40	0	40
Allotments	4	2	2	3	2	1
Community Areas (Churchyard, War Memorial, Community Amenities)	24	0	24	17	0	17
Sport and recreation	50	7	43	52	15	37
Cemetery	46	30	16	52	31	21
Special Projects	418	120	298	54	3	51
Other expenses	71	9	62	76	14	62
Transfer from Reserves		273	-273			0
<b>Total</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>492</b>

East Bergholt	2025/26 Budget			2026/27 Budget		
	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending	Gross Spending	Income	Net Spending
	£ (figures in thousands)			£ (figures in thousands)		
Roads, Footpaths & Flatford (General)	19		19	26		26
Roads, Footpaths & Flatford (Car Park and Toilets)	16		16	22		22
Playing Fields (General)	20		20	47		47
Playing Fields (Constable Hall)	1		1	1		1
Burial Grounds	9	10	-1	9	10	-1
Neighbourhood Plan	37		37	10		10
Strategy, Policy & Finance	15		15	15		15

(Grants) Strategy, Policy & Finance (General)	70	8	62	116	10	106
Young People Reserves	21	30	21 -30	29	75	29 -75
<b>Total</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>180</b>

Other services include spending for each town or parish for allotments, churchyards, footpaths, lighting, specific local community projects and so on.

\* Note: reserves are amounts that are built up for use in future years.