

**Council Tax 2025/26**

Our Council Tax requirement is:

	<b>2024/25</b> £	<b>2025/26</b> £
<b>Swale Budget Requirement</b>	<b>24,162,827</b>	<b>25,981,081</b>
Less Revenue Support Grant	(338,000)	(362,000)
Less Business Rates	(11,736,000)	(12,104,000)
Less New Homes Bonus	(674,000)	(988,000)
Less Additional Grants	(1,306,000)	(2,088,000)
<b>Council Tax Requirement</b>	<b>10,108,827</b>	<b>10,439,081</b>
Band D Council Tax	200.70	206.64
<b>Tax Base</b>	<b>50,367.85</b>	<b>50,518.20</b>

As well as our own Council Tax, we collect on behalf of the other 'precepting authorities', i.e. Kent County Council (4.989%, £80.37 increase including Adult Social Care precept), the Kent and Medway Fire and Rescue Authority (5.51%, £4.95 increase) and the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner (5.47%, £14.00 increase). For a Band D property this equates to an overall increase of 4.879%, £105.26 compared to the increase of 4.756%, £97.96 in 2024/25. Where applicable there will be an additional sum collected on behalf of the Parish Councils which have chosen to levy a local precept (see Appendix I).

**Calculation of Band D Council Tax 2025/26**

2024/25		Authority	2025/26	
Precept £	Band D Council Tax £		Precept £	Band D Council Tax £
81,133,540	1,610.82	Kent County Council	85,435,875	1,691.19
12,901,725	256.15	Kent Police & Crime Commissioner	13,647,492	270.15
4,528,573	89.91	Kent and Medway Fire and Rescue Authority		94.86
10,108,827	200.70	Swale Borough Council	10,439,081	206.64
<b>108,672,665</b>	<b>2,157.58</b>	<b>BASIC COUNCIL TAX</b>	<b>109,522,448</b>	<b>2,262.84</b>
1,955,342	38.82	Parish Council Precepts*	2,166,353	42.88
110,628,007	2,196.40	Council Tax inc. Parish Precepts	111,688,801	2,305.72

\*The Band D Council Tax is the average tax in respect of Parish Council Precepts for the whole Borough.

**Allocation of Council Tax:**

