



Protecting local communities

2019-2020 BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX

2019/20 will be the ninth year Government funding for Cleveland Fire Authority has been reduced. This includes reductions made since 2013/14 of £7.4m, a reduction of 40%.



Grant Cut 2013/14 to 2019/20 **£7.4m**
This is equivalent to a cut of **40%**

As a result of the Government funding reductions we have made significant changes to services and reduced costs by £5m over this period.



The proportion of the budget funded from Council Tax in 2019/20 is **48%**, compared to **32%** in 2013/14.

The remaining funding reduction of £2.4m has been addressed from an increase in Council Tax income. This means that in 2019/20 Council Tax funds more of our budget than it did in 2013/14.

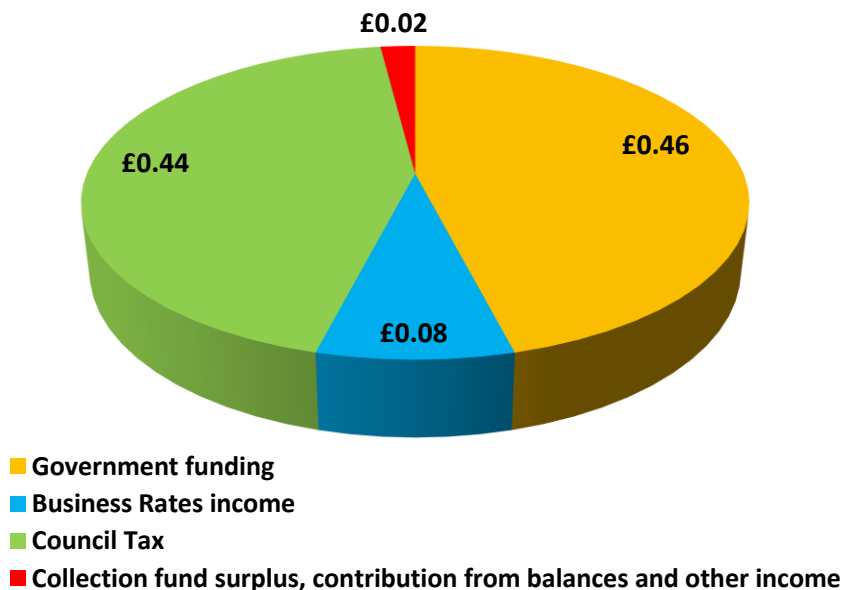
If the increased Council Tax income had not been achieved we would have had to make additional cuts of £2.4m. This increase has effectively protected 60 firefighter jobs, which is approximately 18% of our firefighters.

After reflecting the additional 2019/20 Council Tax income from the increase of 2.9% we will balance next years' budget by making saving of £671,000 and using reserves of £113,000.

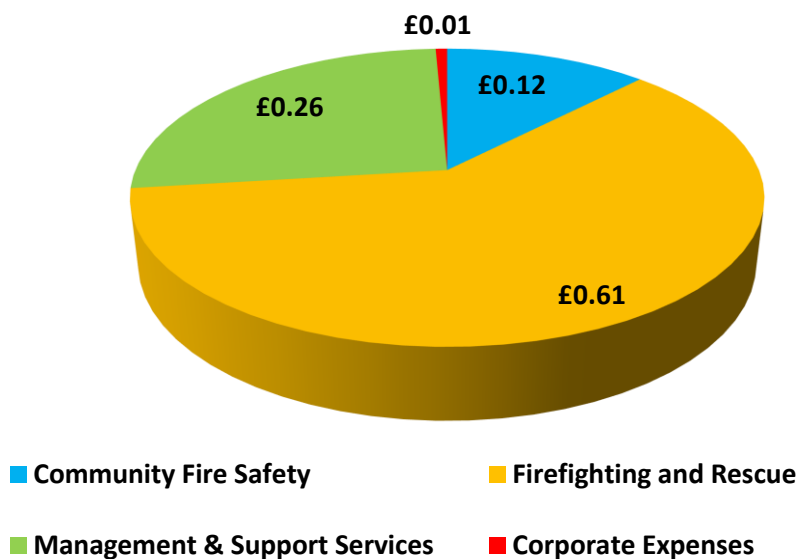
The table below shows the amount payable depending on the banding of your property. **Approximately 65% of households in our area are in Band A or B.**

Property Band	Property Value as at 1st April 1991	Fire Authority Charge		Weekly Cost 2019/20
		2018/19	2019/20	
A	Up to £40,000	£50.12	£51.57	£0.99
B	£40,001 to £52,000	£58.47	£60.17	£1.16
C	£52,001 to £68,000	£66.83	£68.76	£1.32
D	£68,001 to £88,000	£75.18	£77.36	£1.49
E	£88,001 to £120,000	£91.89	£94.55	£1.82
F	£120,001 to £160,000	£108.59	£111.74	£2.15
G	£160,001 to £320,000	£125.30	£128.93	£2.48
H	Over £320,001	£150.36	£154.72	£2.98

Where each £1 comes from



Where each £1 is spent



Further information can be found by visiting our web site at www.clevelandfire.gov.uk

Should you wish to make comment on any aspect of the above information Please use the contact details below

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