

MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL 2014/15

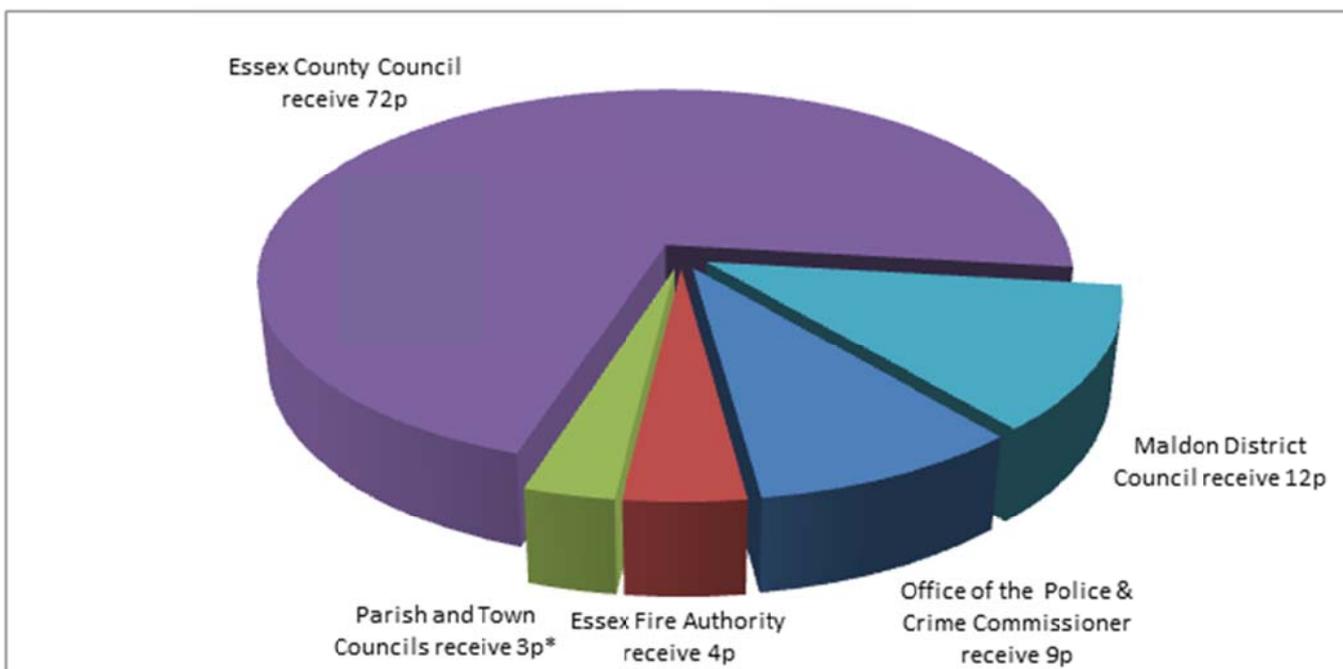
COUNCIL TAX

We (Maldon District Council) collect your Council Tax and put it into a separate fund called the collection fund. We share this fund with Essex County Council, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Essex Fire Authority and the Parish & Town councils.

This year we need to collect £34.6 million in Council Tax.

Every £1 of Council Tax is shared in the following way:

- Essex County Council receive 72p
- Maldon District Council receive 12p
- Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner receive 9p
- Essex Fire Authority receive 4p
- Parish and Town Councils receive 3p (* note: this is an average across all of the parish & town councils)



Essex County Council use Council Tax to pay for services such as social services, highways and libraries.

Maldon District Council use Council Tax to help pay for services such as collecting rubbish, planning, leisure services, developing housing and improving facilities for our community.

HOW WE WORK OUT YOUR COUNCIL TAX

The table shows how much we plan to spend on each of our main services. We collect some of this money through Council Tax, but we have two other main sources of income – the Revenue Support Grant and Business Rates.

The Government pays us the Revenue Support Grant out of the taxes it collects. We collect Business Rates and share these out between Central Government, Maldon District Council, Essex County Council and Essex Fire Authority.

	Spending (after income)		Band D equivalent
	Last year (2013/14)	This year (2014/15)	(2014/15)
	£ thousands	£ thousands	£
Housing services	951	817	35.84
Central services to the public	805	1,028	45.09
Environmental services	2,455	2,535	111.20
Cultural and related services	1,885	1,977	86.72
Planning and development services	1,372	1,462	64.13
Transport services	(222)	(242)	(10.62)
Corporate and democratic core	1,500	1,564	68.61
Net cost of services	8,746	9,141	400.97
Interest on investments	(161)	(174)	(7.63)
Net operating expenditure	8,585	8,967	393.34
Statutory adjustments	(562)	(893)	(39.17)
Use of balances and reserves	(352)	(258)	(11.32)
Expenditure to be funded	7,671	7,816	342.85
Government Support Grants	(3,765)	(3,734)	(163.80)
Collection fund adjustments	23	(64)	(2.81)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	3,929	4,018	176.24

FACING COST INCREASES

Maldon District Council has increased its 2014/15 Council Tax charges by 1.85%. This sees a Band D charge increase from £173.04 to £176.24. This equates to an increase of £3.20 over the year, equivalent to an additional 6p per week.

The table below shows some of the cost pressures facing the council.

	£ thousands	Band D equivalent £
Money needed for 2013/14	3,929	173.04
Changes to tax base		(0.70)
Changes in spending on services	445	19.52
Changes in grants, fees and other charges	(50)	(2.19)
Increase in return on investments	(13)	(0.57)
Change in use of reserves & statutory adjustments	(237)	(10.40)
Change in government support grants	31	1.36
Change to collection fund adjustments	(87)	(3.82)
The amount we need to raise in 2014/15	4,018	176.24

HOW MUCH DO YOU HAVE TO PAY?

We work out your Council Tax after totalling the money each of the four authorities listed below requires. If for example your home is in band D, the average Council Tax for this year will be £1,473.68 plus an amount you have to pay to your local parish or town council. (This is shown on your Council Tax bill).

The table below shows the Council Tax for an average property in band D.

	Amount required (2014/15)	Council Tax for each property in band D
	£ thousands	£
Essex County Council	24,774	1,086.75
Maldon District Council	4,018	176.24
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner	3,289	144.27
Essex Fire Authority	1,514	66.42
Total (not including parish and town councils)	33,595	1,473.68

EXCESSIVE TAX RISES

The Localism Act 2011 says that if any major authority (which excludes parishes and towns) sets an excessive basic amount of Council Tax, then the billing authority (Maldon District Council) must hold a referendum. The electorate will then decide whether to approve the excessive Council Tax. If it is not approved by majority vote, a lower amount will be set using the Secretary of State's guidelines.

No major authority has exceeded the threshold for 2014/15.

PARISH OR TOWN COUNCILS THAT REQUIRE MORE THAN £140,000

A breakdown of the Council Tax requirement for those parish or town councils whose Council Tax requirement for 2014/15 is equal to or more than £140,000 is detailed below.

MALDON TOWN COUNCIL

	2013/14	2014/15
	£	£
Cultural and related services	349,500	
Corporate and democratic core	26,000	
Income and use of savings	(65,500)	
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	310,000	320,000

HEYBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

	2013/14	2014/15
	£	£
Central Services	80,520	82,820
Cultural and Related Services	74,020	98,090
Highways and Transport Services	19,910	20,040
Income and Use of Reserves	(29,450)	(52,325)
Council Tax requirement (how much we need)	145,000	148,625

PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL SPENDING

Due to the abolition of Council Tax Benefit and the introduction of a Local Council Tax Support (LCTS) scheme, from 1st April 2013, the number of properties on which Council Tax can be levied has reduced. In light of this and to limit the impact on council tax payers, the 2014/15 Council Tax requirement will be inclusive of an element of grant passed over to the parishes or towns by Maldon District Council.

This table shows each parish or town council's Council Tax requirement (how much they need).

	2013/14	2014/15	Incl. LCTS Grant	Band D Charge
	£	£	£	£
Althorne	17,000	17,000	1,386	32.49
Asheldham	1,650	1,650	102	29.15
Bradwell-on-Sea	14,500	14,500	1,214	40.49
Burnham-on-Crouch	128,250	128,250	13,117	40.64
Cold Norton	22,000	23,000	1,249	47.71
Dengie	1,650	1,650	107	33.47
Goldhanger	5,000	5,750	402	19.71
Great Braxted	2,500	2,500	112	15.95
Great Totham	10,845	11,947	565	9.53
Hazeleigh	1,250	1,350	45	8.93
Heybridge	145,000	148,625	8,364	50.70
Langford	4,060	3,735	47	55.71
Latchingdon	34,057	37,000	4,310	83.37
Little Braxted	2,500	2,700	0	32.69
Little Totham	4,500	5,500	248	27.94
Maldon	310,000	320,000	35,109	58.52
Mayland	80,000	80,000	5,552	52.11
Mundon	4,250	4,250	314	28.19
North Fambridge	13,820	14,520	227	37.06
Purleigh	28,000	30,000	1,449	53.86
Southminster	80,000	81,600	8,525	53.00
St. Lawrence	20,000	21,420	1,265	36.16
Steeple	6,500	5,500	620	26.34
Stow Maries	6,000	6,000	651	68.58
Tillingham	24,500	25,500	1,956	63.10
Tollesbury	58,045	58,045	3,905	57.35
Tolleshunt D'arcy	17,830	18,247	1,077	41.39
Tolleshunt Knights	10,500	12,000	679	29.41
Tolleshunt Major	6,500	6,500	342	23.77
Ulting	2,640	2,965	91	44.15
Wickham Bishops	12,000	11,970	450	12.32
Woodham Mortimer	1,250	1,350	45	8.93
Woodham Walter	8,882	10,214	475	36.14
TOTAL	1,085,479	1,115,238	94,000	

COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENT (HOW MUCH WE NEED) INCLUDING PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS

The table shows how much Council Tax you have to pay, including parish and town council spending, depending on where you live and which valuation band your home is in. Parish and town councils require money to pay for things like community centres, footpaths and extra street lighting.

Parish or Town	Band							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Althorne	1,004.11	1,171.47	1,338.82	1,506.17	1,840.87	2,175.58	2,510.28	3,012.34
Asheldham	1,001.88	1,168.87	1,335.85	1,502.83	1,836.79	2,170.76	2,504.71	3,005.66
Bradwell-on-Sea	1,009.44	1,177.69	1,345.93	1,514.17	1,850.65	2,187.14	2,523.61	3,028.34
Burnham-on-Crouch	1,009.54	1,177.81	1,346.06	1,514.32	1,850.83	2,187.35	2,523.86	3,028.64
Cold Norton	1,014.26	1,183.31	1,352.35	1,521.39	1,859.47	2,197.56	2,535.65	3,042.78
Dengie	1,004.76	1,172.23	1,339.69	1,507.15	1,842.07	2,177.00	2,511.91	3,014.30
Goldhanger	995.59	1,161.53	1,327.46	1,493.39	1,825.25	2,157.12	2,488.98	2,986.78
Great Braxted	993.08	1,158.61	1,324.12	1,489.63	1,820.65	2,151.69	2,482.71	2,979.26
Great Totham	988.80	1,153.61	1,318.41	1,483.21	1,812.81	2,142.42	2,472.01	2,966.42
Hazeleigh	988.40	1,153.15	1,317.88	1,482.61	1,812.07	2,141.55	2,471.01	2,965.22
Heybridge	1,016.25	1,185.63	1,355.01	1,524.38	1,863.13	2,201.88	2,540.63	3,048.76
Langford	1,019.59	1,189.53	1,359.46	1,529.39	1,869.25	2,209.12	2,548.98	3,058.78
Latchingdon	1,038.03	1,211.04	1,384.05	1,557.05	1,903.06	2,249.07	2,595.08	3,114.10
Little Braxted	1,004.24	1,171.63	1,339.00	1,506.37	1,841.11	2,175.87	2,510.61	3,012.74
Little Totham	1,001.08	1,167.93	1,334.78	1,501.62	1,835.31	2,169.01	2,502.70	3,003.24
Maldon	1,021.46	1,191.72	1,361.96	1,532.20	1,872.68	2,213.18	2,553.66	3,064.40
Mayland	1,017.19	1,186.73	1,356.26	1,525.79	1,864.85	2,203.92	2,542.98	3,051.58
Mundon	1,001.24	1,168.13	1,335.00	1,501.87	1,835.61	2,169.37	2,503.11	3,003.74
North Fambridge	1,007.16	1,175.02	1,342.88	1,510.74	1,846.46	2,182.18	2,517.90	3,021.48
Purleigh	1,018.36	1,188.09	1,357.82	1,527.54	1,866.99	2,206.45	2,545.90	3,055.08
Southminster	1,017.78	1,187.42	1,357.05	1,526.68	1,865.94	2,205.21	2,544.46	3,053.36
St. Lawrence	1,006.56	1,174.32	1,342.08	1,509.84	1,845.36	2,180.88	2,516.40	3,019.68
Steeple	1,000.01	1,166.69	1,333.35	1,500.02	1,833.35	2,166.70	2,500.03	3,000.04
Stow Maries	1,028.17	1,199.54	1,370.90	1,542.26	1,884.98	2,227.71	2,570.43	3,084.52
Tillingham	1,024.52	1,195.28	1,366.03	1,536.78	1,878.28	2,219.79	2,561.30	3,073.56
Tollesbury	1,020.68	1,190.81	1,360.92	1,531.03	1,871.25	2,211.49	2,551.71	3,062.06
Tolleshunt D'arcy	1,010.04	1,178.39	1,346.73	1,515.07	1,851.75	2,188.44	2,525.11	3,030.14
Tolleshunt Knights	1,002.06	1,169.07	1,336.08	1,503.09	1,837.11	2,171.13	2,505.15	3,006.18
Tolleshunt Major	998.30	1,164.69	1,331.07	1,497.45	1,830.21	2,162.98	2,495.75	2,994.90
Ulting	1,011.88	1,180.54	1,349.18	1,517.83	1,855.12	2,192.42	2,529.71	3,035.66
Wickham Bishops	990.66	1,155.78	1,320.89	1,486.00	1,816.22	2,146.45	2,476.66	2,972.00
Woodham Mortimer	988.40	1,153.15	1,317.88	1,482.61	1,812.07	2,141.55	2,471.01	2,965.22
Woodham Walter	1,006.54	1,174.31	1,342.06	1,509.82	1,845.33	2,180.85	2,516.36	3,019.64