

# Rother District – Council Tax 2021/22

## Introduction

The Council has increased its Council Tax by £4.61 for the 2021/22 financial year which equates to an increase of 2.5% bringing the annual charge to £188.71 for a Band D property.

There continues to be significant financial pressures on the Council for 2021/22 and beyond. The Council is responding to these pressures through its financial stability programme which is designed to deliver additional income and savings that will balance the budget by 2024/25. In the interim the Council will use its reserves to best safeguard the essential services it delivers.

## Council Tax per Household

	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	Increase £	The Total Band D Council Tax is
Band A	£122.73	£125.81	£3.08	
Band B	£143.19	£146.77	£3.58	
Band C	£163.64	£167.74	£4.10	
Band D	£184.10	£188.71	£4.61	
Band E	£225.01	£230.65	£5.64	
Band F	£265.92	£272.58	£6.66	
Band G	£306.83	£314.52	£7.69	
Band H	£368.20	£377.42	£9.22	
				ESCC £1,544.04
				+
				Rother District Council £188.71
				+
				Sussex Police Authority £214.91
				+
				East Sussex Fire Authority £97.43
				+
				Parish/Town Council

<b>Battle Town Council</b>			
	2021/22 Gross Expenditure £	2021/22 Income £	2021/22 Net Expenditure £
Finance and General Purpose	273,140	17,100	256,040
Environment	99,645	19,890	79,755
External Relations and Town Development	21,640	1,705	19,935
Planning and Transport	13,100	0	13,100
<b>Town Council Precept</b>	<b>407,525</b>	<b>38,695</b>	<b>368,830</b>
<b>2020/21 Total</b>	<b>422,410</b>	<b>47,766</b>	<b>374,644</b>

<b>Rye Town Council</b>		
	<b>2020/21</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
	£	£
General Administration	139,800	129,369
Grants/Donations/Loans	6,000	11,000
Property Purchase and Maintenance	21,269	17,100
Public Realm	46,935	37,851
Recreation	6,000	1,505
Tourism	22,356	23,168
<b>Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>242,360</b>	<b>219,993</b>
Income	-65,013	-46,817
<b>Town Council Precept</b>	<b>177,347</b>	<b>173,176</b>

<b>Bexhill-on-Sea Parish Council</b>	
	<b>2021/22</b>
	£
Central Support	108,900
Premises Costs	19,900
Computers and Equipment	8,525
Communications and Events	61,340
Member Representation	68,200
Allotments	2,980
Other Costs	28,550
Creation of a General Reserve	75,000
<b>Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>373,395</b>
Income	-1,630
<b>Parish Council Precept</b>	<b>371,765</b>

## Council Tax Amounts in each Area 2021/22

2020/21 Local Precept £	Local Tax Area	2021/22 Local Precept £	2021/22 Local Band D Council Tax £	2021/22 Total Band D Council Tax £
12,607	Ashburnham & Penhurst	12,607	66.49	2,111.58
374,644	Battle	368,830	138.79	2,183.88
23,000	Beckley	23,000	42.12	2,087.21
637,730	Bexhill (see note)	999,865	60.76	2,105.85
10,300	Bodiam	10,550	66.94	2,112.03
37,830	Brede	37,175	43.79	2,088.88
7,454	Brightling	7,506	37.32	2,082.41
83,962	Burwash	88,160	70.73	2,115.82
69,635	Camber	66,849	101.86	2,146.95
22,433	Catsfield	26,000	73.53	2,118.62
28,338	Crowhurst	28,231	77.77	2,122.86
8,435	Dallington	8,435	48.56	2,093.65
0	East Guldeford	0	0	2,045.09
55,000	Etchingham	76,000	184.91	2,230.00
68,423	Ewhurst	70,134	128.85	2,173.94
63,000	Fairlight	63,000	70.80	2,115.89
8,096	Guestling	8,500	13.38	2,058.47
46,350	Hurst Green	43,435	75.08	2,120.17
113,474	Icklesham	113,775	93.92	2,139.01
16,000	Iden	16,000	69.60	2,114.69
13,100	Mountfield	13,100	66.30	2,111.39
100,000	Northiam	95,000	90.86	2,135.95
37,000	Peasmarsh	37,000	73.69	2,118.78
23,000	Pett	23,000	49.19	2,094.28
5,000	Playden	5,000	31.45	2,076.54
240,027	Rye (see note)	236,686	125.58	2,170.67
2,000	Rye Foreign	2,000	10.64	2,055.73
96,606	Salehurst	98,370	95.98	2,141.07
57,184	Sedlescombe	57,184	85.93	2,131.02
146,400	Ticehurst	147,980	89.86	2,134.95
4,200	Udimore	7,000	38.40	2,083.49
42,375	Westfield	45,341	41.04	2,086.13
7,100	Whatlington	7,100	45.40	2,090.49
<b>Note:</b>	<b>Local Precept</b>	<b>Rother Expenses</b>		
	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2020/21</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2020/21</b>
Bexhill:	£371,765	£13,650	£628,100	£624,080
Rye:	£173,176	£177,347	£63,510	£62,680

## Spending on Services

	2020/21 Net Budget £000	2021/22			
		Gross Spend £000	Income £000	Net Spend £000	Capital Projects £000
Acquisitions, Transformation and Regeneration	543	2,468	2,068	400	59,868
Environmental Services, Licensing and Community Safety	698	969	312	657	0
Chief Executive and Corporate Core	2,042	2,155	121	2,034	0
Housing and Community	2,101	3,320	914	2,406	1,625
Neighbourhood Services	5,542	8,710	3,074	5,636	1,076
Resources	3,401	22,684	19,334	3,350	0
Strategy and Planning	993	2,080	990	1,090	0
<b>Total Cost of Services</b>	<b>15,320</b>	<b>42,386</b>	<b>26,813</b>	<b>15,573</b>	<b>62,569</b>
Other Operating Income and Expenditure	281	2,046	1,246	800	0
<b>Total Rother District Council Budget</b>	<b>15,601</b>	<b>44,432</b>	<b>28,059</b>	<b>16,373</b>	<b>62,569</b>
Local Council Budgets	1,774	2,151	0	2,151	0
<b>Gross Budget Requirements</b>	<b>17,375</b>	<b>46,583</b>	<b>28,059</b>	<b>18,524</b>	<b>62,569</b>

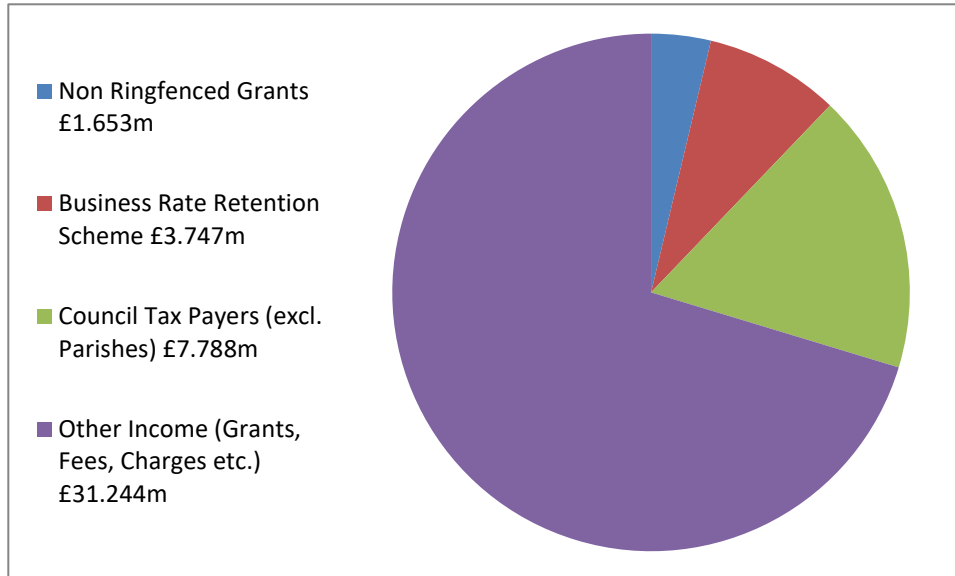
How Spending has Changed	£000	£000
Rother District Council Net Spending 2020/21		15,601
Increase/(-Decrease) in Year on Year Spend		
Contractual Inflation	401	
Increased Capital Investment Costs	575	
Leisure Facilities Contract	130	
Refuse and Street/Beach Cleansing Contract	-141	
Temporary Accommodation	299	
Capital Expenditure Charged to Revenue	-740	
Staffing and Other Costs	82	
Property Investment Strategy Rental Income	544	
Additional Income	-378	
<b>Rother District Council Net Spending 2021/22</b>		<b>16,373</b>

Where the Money Comes From	£000	£ per Resident	%
Income	4,838	50	26
Business Rate Retention Scheme	3,747	39	20
Council Taxpayers (including Parishes)	9,939	103	54
<b>Gross Budget Requirement</b>	<b>18,524</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>100</b>

## Who Funds Us

Only a small portion of our services and projects are paid for through Council Tax, the majority of our funding comes from other sources.

The gross income pie chart below shows the breakdown of where we get our money from.



## Other Information

The budget requirement includes levies from the following:-

Romney Marshes Area Internal Drainage Board	£131,796	(2020/21-£129,245)
Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board	£4,405	(2020/21-£4,348)

The number of staff to be employed by the Council in 2021/22 is estimated to be 242 full time equivalents. There is a decrease of 8 from 2020/21. A number of posts are funded by external sources.

## National Fraud Initiative – Fair Processing Notice

Rother District Council is participating in an exercise to promote the proper spending of public money.

The Council is required by law to protect the public funds it administers. It may share information provided to it with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds in order to prevent and detect fraud. The Audit Commission currently requires us to participate in its anti-fraud initiative. For the initiative we provide details of trade creditors, taxi drivers, personal alcohol licences, payroll, Council Tax single person discounts and electoral role so that they can be compared to information provided by other public bodies.

Further information is available on our website at [www.rother.gov.uk](http://www.rother.gov.uk).