



Your Council Tax bill explained

Breakdown of a typical Council Tax bill for 2019/20

The front of your Council Tax bill shows a list of all the charges included in the total Council Tax annual charge for your property.

The actual charges will vary depending on which band your property is in, and where you live (your town or parish), but it will look similar to the example below:

Council Tax for Property Valuation Band D

		Percentage change from last year*
Central Bedfordshire Council	£1,391.01	+1.0 %
Central Bedfordshire Council (adult social care)	£109.63	+0.0 % †
Police and Crime Commissioners	£202.09	+13.5 %
Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Service	£98.45	+3.0 %
Local Parish Council (e.g. Ampthill Town Council)	£198.85	+3.6 %

Annual Charge for above Property: £2,000.03 +2.5%

† The Council Tax attributable to Central Bedfordshire Council includes a precept to fund adult social care. For the 2019-20 financial year the overall increase for Central Bedfordshire Council is 1.0%, with no increase in the amount ringfenced for adult social care. Full details can be found at: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/counciltax

* The percentage change figures are rounded to one decimal place in accordance with Government regulations

These two charges both pay for services provided by Central Bedfordshire Council. They are listed separately because some of your Council Tax is 'ringfenced' (kept separate) to fund adult social care (ASC). ASC is also funded from the non-ringfenced Council Tax charge.

In 2019/20, Central Bedfordshire Council have increased your Council Tax by 1%, with no increase in the amount ringfenced to fund adult social care. For a Band D property, the adult social care charge for 2019/20 works out as follows:

Financial Year	Increase for ASC (percent)	Increase for ASC (amount)	Total ringfenced for ASC (amount)
2016/17	2%	+ £26.17	£26.17
2017/18	3%	+ £40.80	£66.97
2018/19	3%	+ £42.66	£109.63
2019/20	0%	+ £0.00	£109.63

This year's 1% increase helps fund all the services we provide. You can find out more about our services in 'Info Central', included with your bill or available to download at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info-central.

These charges are collected by Central Bedfordshire Council on behalf of the organisations shown. We pass your Council Tax on to the police and fire services and your local town or parish council, to fund the services they provide.

Each organisation decides its own increases and charges – we do not have any control over how much they charge for their services.