



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.

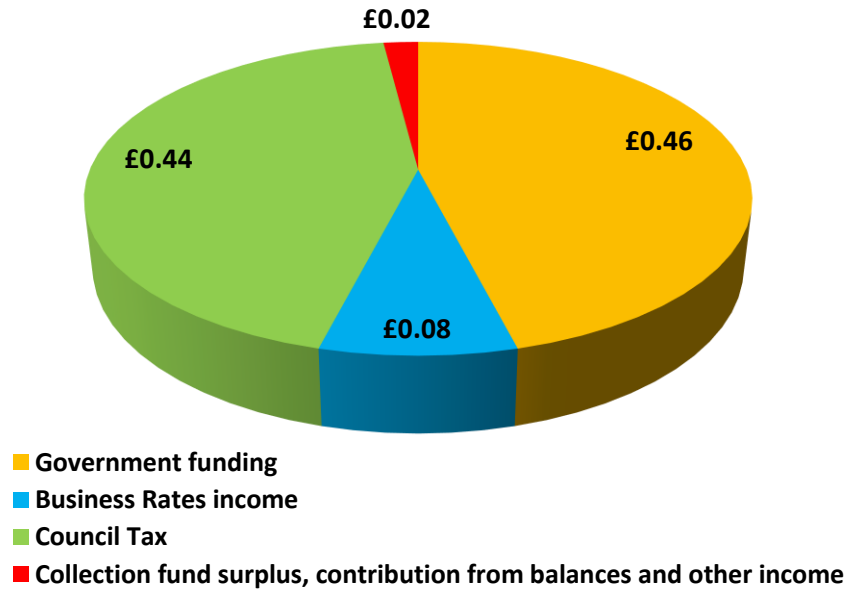
If the increased Council Tax income had not been achieved we would have had to make additional cuts of £2.4m. This increase has effectively protected 60 firefighter jobs, which is approximately 18% of our firefighters.

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.

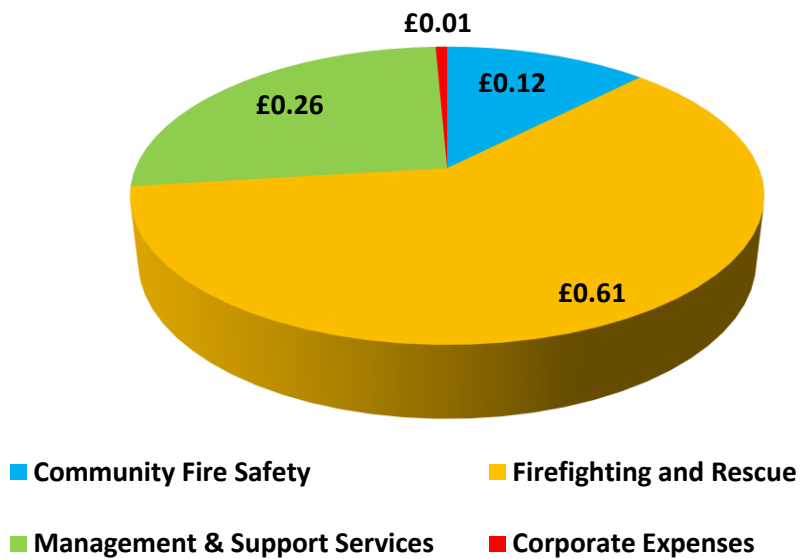
The table below shows the amount payable depending on the banding of your property. **Approximately 65% of households in our area are in Band A or B.**

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](http://www.clevelandfire.gov.uk)

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