

CHELTENHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

**COUNCIL
21 FEBRUARY 2025**

COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION 2025/26

1. It be noted that on 9 December 2024 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base for 2025/26 as follows:
 - (a) for the whole Council area as **44,450.20**
[Item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")]; and
 - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as in the attached **Table E** below.
2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2025/26 (excluding Parish precepts) is £10,880,964.
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2025/26 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
 - (a) £117,894,391 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
 - (b) £106,490,570 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
 - (c) £11,403,821 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year. (Item R in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
 - (d) £256.55 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).
 - (e) £522,857 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached **Table E** below).
 - (f) £244.79 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (1(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no Parish precept relates.

4. To note that Gloucestershire County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire have issued precepts to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in **Table A** below.
5. To note that the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in **Table A** below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2025/26 for Cheltenham Borough Council, Gloucestershire County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire, for each of the categories of dwellings.

Table A

Council Tax for 2025/26 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cheltenham Borough Council	163.19	190.39	217.59	244.79	299.19	353.59	407.98	489.58
Gloucestershire County Council	1,119.77	1,306.39	1,493.02	1,679.65	2,052.91	2,426.16	2,799.42	3,359.30
The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire	214.72	250.51	286.29	322.08	393.65	465.23	536.80	644.16
Aggregate Council Tax (Excluding Parishes)	1,497.68	1,747.29	1,996.90	2,246.52	2,745.75	3,244.98	3,744.20	4,493.04

Table B

Parish amount of Council Tax for 2025/26 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:5

Part of the Council's area	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Band	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charlton Kings	34.36	40.09	45.81	51.54	62.99	74.45	85.90	103.08
Leckhampton with Warden Hill	18.26	21.30	24.35	27.39	33.48	39.56	45.65	54.78
Prestbury	24.15	28.18	32.20	36.23	44.28	52.33	60.38	72.46
Swindon	12.65	14.76	16.87	18.98	23.20	27.42	31.63	37.96
Up Hatherley	9.33	10.89	12.44	14.00	17.11	20.22	23.33	28.00

Table C

Aggregate of amounts of Council Tax for the year 2025/26 for the Borough of Cheltenham and each Parish, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Part of the Council's area	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charlton Kings	197.55	230.48	263.40	296.33	362.18	428.04	493.88	592.66
Leckhampton with Warden Hill	181.45	211.69	241.94	272.18	332.67	393.15	453.63	544.36
Prestbury	187.34	218.57	249.79	281.02	343.47	405.92	468.36	562.04
Swindon	175.84	205.15	234.46	263.77	322.39	381.01	439.61	527.54
Up Hatherley	172.52	201.28	230.03	258.79	316.30	373.81	431.31	517.58

Table D

Aggregate of amounts of Council Tax the year 2025/26, for Gloucestershire County Council, The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire, the Borough of Cheltenham and each Parish, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Part of the Council's area	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charlton Kings	1,532.04	1,787.38	2,042.71	2,298.06	2,808.74	3,319.43	3,830.10	4,596.12
Leckhampton with Warden Hill	1,515.94	1,768.59	2,021.25	2,273.91	2,779.23	3,284.54	3,789.85	4,547.82
Prestbury	1,521.83	1,775.47	2,029.10	2,282.75	2,790.03	3,297.31	3,804.58	4,565.50
Swindon	1,510.33	1,762.05	2,013.77	2,265.50	2,768.95	3,272.40	3,775.83	4,531.00
Up Hatherley	1,507.01	1,758.18	2,009.34	2,260.52	2,762.86	3,265.20	3,767.53	4,521.04
All other parts of the Council's area	1,497.68	1,747.29	1,996.90	2,246.52	2,745.75	3,244.98	3,744.20	4,493.04

Table E

Parish Council Precepts, Tax Base and Council Tax for 2025/26 and 2024/25:

Parish	2024/25			2025/26			Council Tax Increase/ (decrease)
	Tax Base	Precept £	Council Tax Band D (£)	Tax Base	Precept £	Council Tax Band D (£)	
Charlton Kings	5,014.20	241,579.00	48.18	5,049.80	260,263.00	51.54	6.97%
Leckhampton with Warden Hill	3,481.90	92,244.00	26.49	3,523.30	96,505.00	27.39	3.40%
Prestbury	3,194.80	113,255.70	35.45	3,228.20	116,965.00	36.23	2.20%
Swindon	709.20	12,784.36	18.03	707.20	13,423.58	18.98	5.27%
Up Hatherley	2,540.90	33,846.00	13.32	2,549.50	35,700.00	14.00	5.11%
TOTAL		493,709.06					

6. To note that the relevant basic amount of council tax for the financial year 2025/26, which reflects a 2.99% increase, is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved by the Secretary of State under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended and the Referendums Relating to Council Tax Increases (Principles) (England) Report 2025-26 and, therefore, there is no requirement to hold a referendum.