

**Council Tax and Business Rates
Collection Rates 2014-2015**

Business Rates 2014/2015

Current Year Charges - 2014/2015		
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.03.2015	2014/2015 Target
	98.12%	98.50%
Comparison with 2013/2014	% Collected at 31.03.2014	% Collected 31.03.2014
	98.40%	98.40%

The collection rate is lower than the target and lower than for last year. We continue to monitor collection levels closely and work with businesses struggling to pay.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2014/2015		
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2015	2014/2015 Target
	£744,809	£550,000
Comparison with 2013/2014	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2014	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2014
	£501,507	£501,507

The arrears level is higher than the target and higher than at the same time last year. We continue to work with any businesses having difficulty in paying.

Council Tax 2014/2015

Current Year Charges - 2014/2015		
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.03.2015	2014/2015 Target
	98.08%	98.15%
Comparison with 2013/2014	As at 31.03.2014	% Collected 31.03.2014
	98.10%	98.10%

The collection rate is lower than the target and lower than for last year. We continue to monitor collection levels closely and work with customers who are struggling to pay.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2014/2015		
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2015	2014/2015 Target
	£1,123,252	£1,040,000
Comparison with 2013/2014	As at 31.03.2014	Amount o/s 31.03.14
	£1,009,650	£1,009,650

The arrears outstanding are higher than the target. Again, we are monitoring the position closely and working with council tax payers having difficulty in paying.