

**Council Tax and Business Rates
Collection Rates 2015-2016**

Business Rates 2015/2016

Current Year Charges - 2015/2016			
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.12.2015	Target 31.12.2015	2015/2016 Target
	83.02%	83.80%	98.15%
Comparison with 2014/2015	31.12.2014		% Collected 31.03.2015
	85.48%		98.12%

The collection rate for the end of December is slightly below the target. We are monitoring the position closely and working with any businesses having difficulty in paying but are optimistic that we can achieve the year end target.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2015/2016			
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.12.2015	Target 31.12.2015	2015/2016 Target
	£953,069	£975,000	£690,000
Comparison with 2014/2015	Amount outstanding at 31.12.2014		Amount outstanding at 31.03.2015
	£909,179		£744,809

The arrears are slightly below the target. We are optimistic that we will achieve the year end target and continue to work with any businesses having difficulty in paying.

Council Tax 2015/2016

Current Year Charges - 2015/2016			
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.12.2015	Target 31.12.2015	2015/2016 Target
	85.85%	85.55%	98.12%
Comparison with 2014/2015	As at 31.12.2014		% Collected 31.03.2015
	85.57%		98.08%

The collection rate for the end of September is above the target. We are monitoring the position closely but are optimistic that we can achieve the year end target.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2015/2016			
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.12.2015	Target 31.12.2015	2015/2016 Target
	£1,348,041	£1,310,000	£1,095,000
Comparison with 2014/2015	As at 31.12.2014		Amount o/s 31.03.15
	£1,301,349		£1,123,252

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