

**Council Tax and Business Rates
Collection Rates 2017-2018**

Business Rates 2017/2018

Current Year Charges - 2017/2018		
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.03.2018	2017/2018 Target
	98.74%	98.88%
Comparison with 2017/2018	31.03.2017	% Collected 31.03.2017
	98.86%	98.86%

The yearend collection rate is slightly below the target. This is partly due to increased bills as a result of rateable value changes in March but 98.74% is still a very good achievement. We are continuing to collect the balances due and are working with any businesses having difficulty in paying.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2017/2018		
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2018	2017/2018 Target
	£613,964	£570,000
Comparison with 2017/2018	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2017	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2017
	£585,832	£585,832

The arrears level has not quite reduced to the yearend target. We are continuing to collect balances due and are working with any businesses having difficulty in paying.

Council Tax 2017/2018

Current Year Charges - 2017/2018		
Monitoring Period	% Collected at 31.03.2018	2017/2018 Target
	98.30%	98.35%
Comparison with 2017/2018	As at 31.03.2017	% Collected 31.03.2017
	98.32%	98.32%

The yearend collection rate is very slightly below the target but 98.30% is still a very good achievement. We are continuing to collect balances due and are working with council tax payers having difficulty in paying.

Previous Years Charges Outstanding in 2017/2018		
Monitoring Period	Amount outstanding at 31.03.2018	2017/2018 Target
	£1,146,742	£1,155,000
Comparison with 2017/2018	As at 31.03.2017	Amount o/s 31.03.2017
	£1,159,253	£1,144,562

The level of arrears outstanding has reduced to below the yearend target level.