

# 2020/2021 BUDGET & COUNCIL TAX



2020/21 Government Funding for Cleveland Fire Authority will be £188,000 higher than in 2019/20 – an increase of 1.5%. This is the first increase for nine years. As a result of reductions in Government funding in previous years the amount of Government funding to be received in 2020/21 is £6.1m less than it was in 2013/14 – a reduction of 32%.

Grant Cut 2013/14 to 2020/21 **£6.1m**  
This is equivalent to a cut of **32%**

The proportion of the budget funded from Council Tax in 2020/21 is **45%**, compared to **32%** in 2013/14

As a result of reductions in Government funding in previous years we made significant changes to modernise services and achieve efficiencies.

After reflecting the inflation increase in Government funding and a Council Tax increase of 1.9% - which raises an additional £237,000 – we needed to make efficiency savings of £221,000 to balance the 2020/21 budget. These savings have been achieved by negotiating reductions in a range of contracts, including Information Technology, building security and building cleaning contracts.

The table below shows the amount payable depending on the banding of your property. **Approximately 63% of households in our area are in Band A or B.**

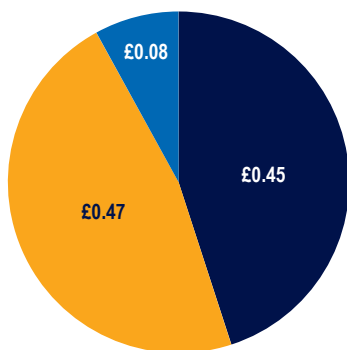
Property Band	Property Value as at 1st April 1991	Fire Authority Charge		Weekly Cost 2020/2021
		2019/2020	2020/2021	
A	Up to £40,000	£51.57	£52.55	£1.01
B	£40,001 to £52,000	£60.17	£61.31	£1.18
C	£52,001 to £68,000	£68.76	£70.07	£1.35
D	£68,001 to £88,000	£77.36	£78.83	£1.52
E	£88,001 to £120,000	£94.55	£96.35	£1.85
F	£120,001 to £160,000	£111.74	£113.87	£2.19
G	£160,001 to £320,000	£128.93	£131.38	£2.53
H	Over £320,001	£154.72	£157.66	£3.03

**Independent Inspection Result** - Her Majesty's Inspectorate for Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) looked at how effectively and efficiently the service prevents fires, protects the public and responds to all emergencies. In all these three key areas of efficiency, effectiveness and people – the Brigade has been rated as **GOOD**.

**HM Inspector of Fire and Rescue Services, Phil Gormley** said: "I am pleased to report that Cleveland Fire Brigade performed well in each of the main areas of our inspection. This is also impressive given that the brigade has faced some of the largest cuts to its government funding. This is an excellent performance from the brigade – the people of Cleveland can be confident that they are being well-served."

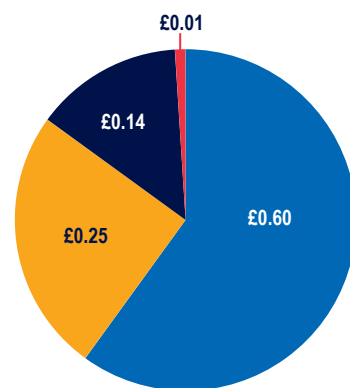
## Where each £1 comes from

- Government funding
- Business Rates Income
- Council Tax



## Where each £1 is spent

- Community Fire Safety
- Firefighting and Rescue
- Management & Support Services
- Corporate Expenses



Should you wish to make comment on any aspect of the above information please use the contact details below:



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