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North Kesteven District Council

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Cover photo: One of the Council’s refuse freighters carrying the message that all voters need to take ID with them to vote at a polling station on May 2, 2019 – as part of the Council’s participation in a Cabinet Office to test ways to overcome issues of electoral fraud.

Lincolnshire County Council

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Minicom service: 01522 552055
Website: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk
If you want any more information on the county council’s budget for 2019/20, please email: finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk or visit: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/finance

Lincolnshire Police & Crime Commissioner

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner
Deepdale Lane, Nettleham, Lincoln LN2 2LT
Tel: 01522 947192
Fax: 01522 558739
Email: Lincolnshire-pcc@lincs.pnn.police.uk
Lincolnshire Police General Enquiries
Tel: 101 (your call may be recorded)
Emergencies: 999 and ask for police
Minicom/textphone: 01522 558140
Website: www.lincs.police.uk

We can provide the information in this booklet in Braille, large type or other languages if required. Please contact North Kesteven District Council at the address below

Lincolnshire Police & Crime Commissioner

Waddington Parish Council
High Street, Waddington, Lincoln LN5 9RF

Washingborough Civic Office
Fen Road, Washingborough, Lincoln LN4 1AB

Within North Kesteven, Local Access Points offer a District-wide network of offices where you can pick-up leaflets, drop-in forms and seek advice on things like benefits claims, housing grants and other District Council services

This can all be done online anytime, anywhere, 24/7 at www.n-kesteven.gov.uk.
Council Tax explained

Who gets the Council Tax?

North Kesteven District Council collects the Council Tax. However, NKDC keeps less than ten per cent of it. We pay the rest over to Lincolnshire County Council, parish and town councils and the Police & Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire. See details on pages 6 and 16.

What is Council Tax and who has to pay?

Council Tax is a tax on people’s homes. Council and police services are paid for by income from Government grants, Council Tax, fees and other charges.

Owner occupiers and their partners usually have to pay the Council Tax bill. Where homes are rented, the tenants and their partners will have to pay. In the case of empty homes, it’s normally the owner who has to pay.

The owners of these properties have to pay:

> Residential care homes, nursing homes and hostels
> Those occupied by
  • a minister of religion or a religious community
  • more than one household or
  • resident staff or asylum seekers

Please contact us if you have been made the liable person, and you believe this to be incorrect.

What are valuation bands – can you appeal?

The Valuation Office, an executive agency of HM Revenue & Customs, has given each property a valuation band, between A and H, according to its market value in April 1991. If your property was built after April 1991, it will be valued as if it had existed then.

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You can appeal against the valuation band if:

> It’s within six months of you becoming the taxpayer
> The value changes because of demolition work, a conversion, a change of use or any other physical change to the property’s location

You must carry on paying your Council Tax while your appeal is being considered.

For more information about valuation bands or appeals, contact:

The Listing Officer, Council Tax East Valuation Office Agency
Kings Wharf, 20 - 30 Kings Road, Reading, RG1 3ER
Telephone: 03000 501501
Website: www.voa.gov.uk
Email: ct-east@voa.gsi.gov.uk

If your initial appeal fails, you have further avenues of appeal, which will be explained to you by the Valuation Office.

In common with all local authorities, North Kesteven District Council has a duty to protect the public funds it administers. We are required to participate in data matching exercises, carried out by the Audit Commission’s National Fraud Initiative, to prevent and detect fraud.
Council Tax explained

**Council Tax discounts**

You may be able to get a discount or an exemption from your Council Tax under certain circumstances.

Any empty unfurnished property which is empty for less than two months will receive a 100% discount. If the property is still empty after this, then the full charge will become payable. If it remains empty for more than 2 years, then an additional charge of 100% will become payable, making the total charge 200%. This is worked out from when the property became empty. Occupation of less than 6 weeks is not counted. There is no discount for any empty property which is furnished. Any vacant property which is undergoing structural or major repair may qualify for a 25% discount.

People aged under 25 who were in care when they were 18 may also qualify for a discount.

You can get a 25% discount if there is only one person aged over 18 living in the property. People under 18 or in the groups below do not count as people living in your home for this purpose:

> Full time students, student nurses and some apprentices and some partners of students
> People resident in care homes
> People with a Severe Mental Impairment
> 18 and 19 year olds for whom child benefit is still being paid
> Some school and college leavers
> Some low paid carers
> Residents of religious communities and hostels
> Prisoners
> Diplomats and visiting forces personnel

You should contact the Council if you think you may qualify for a discount. If you are receiving a discount and your circumstances change you must let the Council know.

**Council Tax exemptions**

*Please contact us if:*

> You think you should be getting a discount or
> You are getting a discount and your circumstances have changed so that you should no longer get it.

Generally, you don’t have to pay Council Tax on the classes of property listed in the two sections that follow because they are exempt. Some classes do have time limits though and you may have to pay a charge after the exemption runs out. Please note that time limits run from when the circumstances of the exempt class first started to apply, and they don’t re-start if the property changes hands.

**Classes of exempt EMPTY property:**

Class B - owned by a charity (exempt for up to six months only)

Class D - the taxpayer is in prison (except for those in prison for non-payment of fines or Council Tax)

Class E - the taxpayer has left it to go and live in a care home

Class F - the taxpayer has died (in some cases, exempt for up to six months after probate granted)

Class G - can’t be lived in by law

Class H - held for a minister of religion

Class I - the taxpayer has gone to live elsewhere to receive personal care

Class J - the taxpayer has gone to live elsewhere to provide personal care

Class K - left empty by a student

Class L - the mortgagee has possession

Class Q - the taxpayer is trustee to a bankrupt

Class R - unused caravan pitch or boat mooring

Class T - unoccupied annexe to an occupied home

**Classes of exempt OCCUPIED property:**

Class M - student halls of residence

Class N - all occupiers are students, school or college leavers or non-British dependants or partners of students

Class O - UK armed forces accommodation
Class P - visiting forces accommodation
Class S - all occupiers are under 18
Class U - all occupiers are severely mentally impaired
Class V - main residence of a person with diplomatic privilege or immunity or
Class W - the annexe to a property occupied by a dependant relative.
A 50% discount can also be granted in certain circumstances where an annex to a main dwelling is occupied by a non-dependent relative of the person paying Council Tax on the main dwelling.

**Please contact us if:**
> You think your property should be exempt from Council Tax or
> Your circumstances have changed so that it should no longer be exempt.

**Penalties**
You must notify us of a change in circumstances within 21 days. Failure to do so could result in a penalty of £70 being imposed.

**People with disabilities**
You can get your bill reduced by one valuation band if you have a second bathroom; a second kitchen; a special room; or enough floor space to use a wheelchair indoors and the facility is necessary to meet the needs of anyone in the home who is disabled.
If you qualify for this reduction, you will have to renew your application annually.

**Please contact us if:**
> You think you should be getting a disabled band reduction or
> Your circumstances have changed so that you no longer need to receive the reduction.

**Claiming Council Tax Support**
Don’t pay more Council Tax than you need to. Council Tax Support is a means-tested discount that can reduce your bill by up to 100%, if:

> You get Income Support, income-related Job Seekers Allowance, income based Employment and Support Allowance or the Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit.
> Other working-age claimants on low incomes can get up to 90% discount.
> From 1 April 2018, backdating for working age customers has reduced from 6 to 3 months”
> A capital limit of £8,000 applies on savings, investments and second properties but does not count your own home or the value of a self-employed business. Discount still applies if you are working and income is low enough.
We can tell you everything you need to know and fill in the forms by contacting us. Proof of financial circumstances is needed to stop fraud. If you can’t get Council Tax Support you might still be able to get Second Adult Rebate if you are the only one liable to pay Council Tax and other adults in the home have low incomes. Use the calculator at www.n-kesteven.gov.uk to help work out if you qualify for Council Tax Support.

**Housing Benefit (help with your rent)**
If you rent your home and have low income, you could get Housing Benefit to help you pay your rent. Contact the Council to discuss eligibility.

**Are you finding it hard to pay**
As you see, there are many discounts, benefits, exemptions and banding reductions that can help reduce your bill. We can advise further, If you don’t qualify or are already receiving some help, and still find it hard to pay, contact us as soon as possible to discuss your payments.
The Citizens Advice Bureau gives free impartial advice to people struggling with debt. Offices in Sleaford and Lincoln or 08444 111 444.
The Council has discretion to give local Council Tax discounts, used in very exceptional and deserving circumstances. If you think this might apply to you, contact us for more information.
The overall Council Tax for the coming year is set only fractionally higher than in 2018/19. The largest part of the bill is accounted for by Lincolnshire County Council which has increased its rate, by 4.95% which includes a 2% uplift to support the costs of social care. This means that at Band D you will be paying £60.93 more this year than last year. At Band D this is a charge of £1,292.40.

The Lincolnshire Police & Crime Commissioner has increased the rate for policing by 11% which makes its charge at Band D £241.38, up £23.94 over the year.

North Kesteven District Council has increased its charge by 3.1%, after the Government allowed flexibility in order to build up financial resilience. This makes the Band D charge £159.75, up £4.95 a year - less than 10p per week. The Council maintains one of the lowest district charges in the country.

At Bands A to C, which account for more than 76% of homes in North Kesteven, this again gives an annual increase of £3.30 in the NK share at band A, £3.85 at Band B and £4.40 at Band C, or between six and eight pence more per week to receive the services provided by the District Council.

In addition, in most places, parish and town councils impose extra charges for their expenses. These have changed by variable amounts so, depending on where you live you will be paying more or even fractionally less than you did last year for the services they provide.

Council Tax is always quoted at Band D for comparative purposes.

See back page for full details of Band D charges locally.

How the Council Tax collected by NKDC is distributed

- District Council's requirement £6,143,310 9.2%
- Parish/Town Councils’ requirement £3,352,588 5.0%
- Lincolnshire County Council’s requirement £48,206,520 72.3%
- Police & Crime Commissioner’s requirement £9,003,474 13.5%

Contact us about changes and corrections

Please tell us if:
> We’ve sent the bill to the wrong person
> You’ve moved house
> We’ve calculated your bill wrongly
> We’ve calculated your Council Tax Support (CTS) wrongly
> You should receive a discount, an exemption, a disabled band reduction, or CTS
> You should no longer receive a discount, an exemption, a disabled band reduction, or CTS

Contact the Customer Services Team about benefits, business rates and Council Tax:
Kesteven Street, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 7EF
Tel: 01529 414155
Priorities for North Kesteven District Council in 2019/20

Our Economy
To promote the economic and employment growth of North Kesteven

Our Homes
To promote housing growth that meets the current & emerging needs of North Kesteven

Our Communities
To promote the sustainability, wellbeing, safety and health of North Kesteven’s growing communities

Our Council
To be a high-performing & value-for-money Council that is prepared for the future

Our Environment
To promote a sustainable natural and built environment, where our heritage is preserved and celebrated

What you get for your money

At Band D, NKDC is charging £164.70 for the delivery of its services in 2019/20. In reality most homes will pay less; £109.80, £128.10 or £146.40 per year at bands A, B and C respectively. For this you receive:

- Refuse & recycling clearance and street cleaning
- Planning control
- Restaurant, pub and take-away food hygiene checks
- Partnership on Community Safety and CCTV
- Economic promotion and support for regeneration
- Licensing of entertainment and alcohol provision
- Leisure facilities and sports outreach
- Visitor attractions and countryside protection
- Advice on housing and homelessness
- Administration of council tax and housing benefits
- Action against anti-social behaviour
- Organisation of elections... and much, much more.

Why the District Council’s budgetary requirement has changed from last year

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<th>Cost per Band D, £</th>
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<td>Net expenditure 2018/19</td>
<td>5,843,300</td>
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<td>Employee expenses, eg staff pay award</td>
<td>977,400</td>
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<td>Government Grant</td>
<td>(343,800)</td>
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<td>Saving on Leisure Contract</td>
<td>(236,100)</td>
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<td>Movement on Reserves</td>
<td>1,326,300</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous changes - net</td>
<td>(183,900)</td>
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<td>Business Rates</td>
<td>(998,900)</td>
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<td>Apportionment of costs to other funds</td>
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<td>Net expenditure 2019/20</td>
<td>6,143,300</td>
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Increase per Band D property: 4.95

Based on a population figure of 116,400 this equates to a cost per head of: 52.78

This equals an average annual / weekly cost per household of: 119.39 / 2.29
## District Council finance

Your Council Tax goes towards paying for the following:

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<td>593,300</td>
<td>652,600</td>
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<td>(1,066,100)</td>
<td>3,784,400</td>
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<td>5,981,600</td>
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<td>(7,549,300)</td>
<td>(8,907,700)</td>
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<td>2,993,800</td>
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## Financial reserves and liabilities

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Funding falls but costs increase
Since 2011/12, the council has seen a 90% drop in its main government grant, from £211m to just £20m in 2019/20.

At the same time, the council has:
• achieved £310m of savings;
• absorbed £276m of cost pressures, including growing social care demand and wage increases;
• committed £116m of reserves to balance the books.

Spending where it's needed
The council’s budget for 2019/20 protects vital services, provides investment where it's needed and meets these increasing costs.

Overall the council will spend a net £461m on services in 2019/20.

Key extra spending:
- £820,000 to improve weed spraying, safety grass cutting and gulley cleansing.
- increasing teams tackling potholes from 26 to 30 at a cost of £220,000.
- providing ongoing funding for the Citizen’s Advice Service of £278,000 per year.

Infrastructure investment:
• Lincoln Eastern Bypass
• Relief roads for Grantham and Spalding
• £7.1m for broadband
• £8.2m to replace fire vehicles and equipment
• £23m for school builds to increase the number of school places

Council tax
The county council’s share of council tax this year will go up by 2.95%, plus the additional 2% precept for adult care (the income raised from this will be spent entirely on adult care).

The increase for each is shown on your bill, and will generate an extra £14m for the council.

The adult social care rise is given as a percentage of the total previous year’s bill, not just the previous year’s adult social care element.

This 4.95% increase means an extra £1.17 per week for a Band D property, or 78p for Lincolnshire’s many Band A households.

Lincolnshire is still expected to have one of the lowest council tax rates of all 27 English shire counties. Over the last eight years, council tax has increased by about 15%, while inflation has been 25%.
Our Share of the Council Tax

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2019/20 Capital Investment £179m

- **Children’s Services** £31m - 17%
- **Finance and Public Protection - Fire & Rescue** £10m - 6%
- **Finance and Public Protection - Broadband** £7m - 4%
- **Finance and Public Protection - Other** £15m - 8%
- **Environment and Economy Road Schemes** £105m - 59%
- **Environment and Economy Other** £3m - 2%
- **Other Services** £8m - 4%

Children’s Services includes: Schools modernisation and provision of school places.

Finance and Public Protection Other includes: Improvements to Information Technology and maintenance and improvements to Council property.

Environment and Economy Other includes: Flood defence and economic development

Other Services includes: New Developments

2019/20 Spending On Services £1,302m

- **Children’s Services** includes: Readiness for School, Learn and Achieve, Children are Safe & Healthy and Readiness for Adult Life.
- **Adult Care** includes: Adult Safeguarding, Adult Frailty, Long Term Conditions and Physical Disability, Carers, Adult Specialities and Wellbeing.
- **Other Services** includes: Protecting the Public, How We Do Our Business and Enablers & Support to Council’s Outcomes, Contingency and Other Budgets.

- **Schools** £627m - 48%
- **Children’s Services** £134m - 10%
- **Adult Care** £285m - 22%
- **Capital Financing Charges** £42m - 3%
- **Environment and Economy** £110m - 8%
- **Other Services** £104m - 8%
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**Resourced by:**

- Business Rates Local Retention: -121.3
- Revenue Support Grant: -20.1
- Other Grants: -17.6
- District Council Collection Funds: -2.7
- Council Tax Requirement: -296.7
- **Total Funding**: -458.4
Funding and spending in 2018/19

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Resourced by:

- Business Rates Local Retention - 163.2
- Revenue Support Grant 0
- Other Grants - 7.2
- District Council Collection Funds - 2.6
- Council Tax Requirement - 278.2
- Total Funding - 451.20

**Children’s Services includes:** Readiness for School, Learn and Achieve, Children are Safe & Healthy and Readiness for Adult Life.

**Adult Care and Community Wellbeing includes:** Adult Care, Adult Frailty and Long Term Conditions Specialist Adult Services, Health Improvement, Prevention and Self-Management, Housing Related Support and Prevention and Treatment of Substance Misuse.

**Environment and Economy includes:** Sustaining & Developing Prosperity Through Infrastructure, Protecting & Sustaining the Environment, Sustaining & Growing Business & the Economy and Community Resilience & Assets.

**Other Services includes:** Protecting the Public, How We Do Our Business and Enablers & Support to Council’s Outcomes, Other Budgets

For 2018-19, the Revenue Support Grant was allocated as part of the Business Rates Retention Pilot.

*The difference between what we spend on capital projects and the charges which we must include in spending on services.*

**NOTE:** The use of a minus (-) in front of a figure shows that income has been received and therefore taken off total spending.
The PCC and the Chief Constable have agreed a series of priority projects as a result of the public support for increased funding through council tax. Whilst the first priority remains retention of officer numbers these projects will deliver on crime and harm prevention, effective enforcement and making each officer’s time count to the maximum.

The following projects have been prioritised as a result of the views given by the public in the latest crime survey – which received responses from 3449 people 83% of which supported increasing council tax for policing in the county.

**Mini Police**

Extending the current mini-police scheme to over 2000 children, available to every primary school in the county, will leverage in additional national funding and keep local children safer. The project aims to create responsible citizens of our young people reducing future anti-social behaviour, teaching them about the dangers of strangers, road safety, cyber risks, the importance of reporting crime, lifesaving skills and much more.

**Drones**

To become a drone squadron with coverage extended to the whole county 24/7. The existing drones have proved invaluable in saving life, locating vulnerable missing people, combatting a range of crimes in hard to access locations and gathering pivotal evidence to prosecuting offenders. The technology frees up valuable officer time which is then available to respond to urgent calls.

**Command and Control**

The new command and control system, the most up-to-date in the UK would have been shelved without public support for council tax funding. It is vital to deliver improved access to report incidents, deliver better feedback to the public and deploy the most appropriately trained and equipped officers to scenes as quickly as possible.

**Improved Neighbourhood Policing Model**

The new model will require mobile technology to support local officers and PCSOs in being where they and the public want them to be, in the community for longer. Improved systems will enable better focus on protecting the vulnerable, monitoring potential risks, gathering intelligence and tackling crime.

**New pursuit vehicles**

Money will be invested in new police pursuit vehicles for the roads/firearms units who daily get tasked with some of the most challenging incidents in policing. It’s vital that the vehicles can carry the heavy loads required of them and still out perform organised criminals intent of causing harm in our communities. These teams are at the forefront of tackling counter terrorism, drugs and incidents involving weapons, every second is a potential life saved or a criminal caught and this investment is a crucial one.

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Marc Jones  
Police and Crime Commissioner

“I would never take the decision to raise and spend public money lightly. Hard pressed council tax payers were overwhelming in their support for providing funding to Lincolnshire Police. We owe it to them to be clear how action is being taken to keep them safe as a result.”

Marc Jones  
Police and Crime Commissioner

Bill Skelly  
Chief Constable

“Wealth we still face a significant funding challenge I was very pleased to see such strong support from the Lincolnshire public for the Police service in the county. I will continue to do all that I can to keep our communities safe and will ensure that I make every penny of taxpayers money count in the fight against crime, harm and disorder.”

Bill Skelly  
Chief Constable

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Equipping our officers

Body Worn Video
Officers’ body worn video cameras have enabled the force to record footage of every incident we attend. It has reduced complaints against officers and made offenders think twice before confronting officers – reducing the number off duty through injury.

Handheld computers
Each officer and Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) now carries a hand-held computer providing them with the ability to check records, complete forms and crucially stay out of an office and in the community for longer.

Drones
The new drones can be deployed much quicker than a police helicopter and are much cheaper to use. They allow the force to find and arrest offenders in rural areas quickly, locate missing people more effectively and can even be used to pinpoint where people are trapped in a burning building.

Tasers
New Tasers have been rolled out across the force to improve safety for officers and the public. The new Tasers have a long range, have a second cartridge and don’t need reloading after the first shot. They capture and store data to improve accountability.

Mobile Fingerprint Scanners
Lincolnshire is one of the first forces in the country to introduce the scanners and will avoid officers having to take someone to the nearest police station to obtain fingerprints. It can also be used to quickly identify someone experiencing a medical emergency, so contact can be made with their next of kin.

Property Band | Cost last year (£) | Increase this year (£) | Cost this year (£) | Increase per week (pence)
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A | 144.96 | 15.96 | 160.92 | 31
B | 169.12 | 18.62 | 187.74 | 36
C | 193.28 | 21.28 | 214.56 | 41
D | 217.44 | 23.94 | 241.38 | 46
E | 265.76 | 29.26 | 295.02 | 56
F | 314.08 | 34.58 | 348.66 | 67
G | 362.40 | 39.90 | 402.30 | 77
H | 434.88 | 47.88 | 482.76 | 92

What money do we receive and how is it spent?

Income £126.9m
- Council Tax £55.9m
- Government Grants £68.0m
- Contribution from reserves & other income £3.0m

Expenditure £126.9m
- Police Officers £60.2m
- Police Staff & PCSOs £14.1m
- Support Functions including Force Control Room & custody £22.5m
- Other Costs including fleet, premises, regional collaboration & ICT £30.1m
The District Council has set a Band D Council Tax of **£1,698.48** (District Council £164.70, Lincolnshire County Council £1,292.40 and Police Commissioner £241.38 for its area for the chargeable financial year beginning on April 1, 2019. Additional amounts have been set for the places detailed below for the special expenses of footway lighting and the precepts of local parish and town councils. Charges are quoted at Band D.