

64511 Uncollected Council Tax

Please provide, for each of the last five complete financial years:

The amount of council tax billed and collected.

The annual collection rate.

The amount outstanding at the end of the year.

The amount written off.

Please refer to the table below.

Financial Year	Amount of Council Tax Billed (£000s)	Amount of Council Tax Collected (£000s)	Annual Collection Rate	Amount outstanding at the end of Financial Year (for that year) (£000s)	Amount written off during that year, relating to that year (£000s)
2025-26	370,177	353,918	95.61%	16,259	54.82
2024-25	339,118	324,700	95.75%	14,418	69.64
2023-24	332,098	317,910	95.73%	14,188	54.36
2022-23	311,797	301,715	96.77%	10,082	54.71
2021-22	296,288	285,219	96.26%	11,069	54.20

The cost of council tax recovery and enforcement action.

There is not a cost to the Council as such. The principal source of income for Scott & Co, our primary Sheriff Officer partner, is the charge for Payment Fee. There are no fixed costs between the Council and Scott & Co and they receive income from repayments made by individual debtors on charges served after a Summary Warrant has been raised, rather than payments made to them by the Council. Similar arrangements are in place for Walker Love, our secondary Sheriff Officer partner.