# **COUNCIL TAX 2023/24**





As your Council, we provide a wide range of services for the people of Surrey. Your Council Tax is vital to pay for the things people rely on for a good quality of life, all outlined below.

Risings costs mean these things are getting more expensive to deliver, however we are in a sound financial state and do not need to raise Council Tax by the full amount

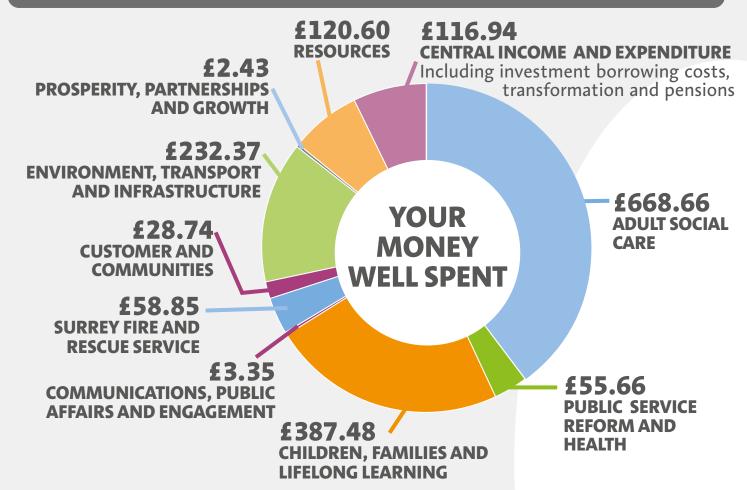
the government allows. The Surrey County Council element of your Council Tax will rise by 2.99%\* this year, 2% less than the majority of other councils and well below inflation.

We recognise that people's household budgets are under severe pressure, which is why we've kept any increase to the minimum we can afford to protect services, which our most vulnerable residents rely on.

**Tim Oliver, Leader of Surrey County Council** 

\*This rise, made up of a 0.99% increase and a 2% levy for Adult Social Care, is equivalent of £0.94p per week for the average Band D Council Tax bill.

The average Band D Council Tax per year is £1675.08\*\*, here's how your money is spent:



<sup>\*\*</sup>For illustrative purposes, this represents the total budget split by the Band D Council Tax value. Some areas are funded by specific restricted grants, which are not reflected here. This is the County Council's Band D figures only and does not include amounts raised by District & Borough Councils, Surrey Police or Parish Councils.

## **INVESTING IN SURREY'S FUTURE**

As well as day-to-day spending on services (see overleaf), the Council's budget also sets out one-off investment over the next five years, which includes:

### £60m

On community projects via Your Fund Surrey



#### £188m

On improving Surrey's roads and pavements



#### £146m

On the River Thames flood defence scheme



#### £54m

On improving and maintaining bridges and other specialist infrastructure



#### £181m

On more provision for children with additional needs and disabilities

## £57m

On improving school buildings and facilities



#### £103m

On providing more school places and buildings



#### £75m

On maintaining and improving public buildings, offices and community facilities



#### £38m

On A320 North of Woking and Junction 11 of M25 road and junction improvements

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