



Your Voice **Matters**

## OUR BUDGET SURVEY

You can complete this survey online at [www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/budgetsurvey2022-23](http://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/budgetsurvey2022-23) or complete this form and submit it to survey return boxes in our Community Hubs, Community Centres, libraries & leisure centres. Alternatively, you can post your completed survey to:

**Budget Survey 2022/23,  
East Dunbartonshire Council HQ,  
12 Strathkelvin Place, Kirkintilloch G66 1TJ.**

## 1. PRIORITIES

I agree with the 11 priority areas identified in 'Working together with the people of East Dunbartonshire, Prioritising our Services, Prioritising our Resources'.

Yes

No

**Please rank these service areas in priority order for you:**

(1 being your highest priority – 11 being your lowest priority)

Education and Employability

Health & Social Care

Roads & Transportation

Housing

Communities

Town Centres

Neighbourhood, streetscene & greenspace

Sustainable economic growth

Finance

EDLC Trust

Customer Services

## 2. RECOVERY FROM COVID-19

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, and the ongoing recovery from this, are there any priorities that you think should be included that are not?

Yes

No

If yes, what are these?



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## 2. RECOVERY FROM COVID-19 (continued)

Some of our key achievements within these 11 priority service areas are defined in the budget consultation document. Again, particularly thinking about the recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic are there any specific new commitments that you think should be added to these?

Yes

No

Please list any new commitments you think the Council should consider:

What would you stop doing to fund these new commitments?:

Comments: Please include any other comments you have about our priorities and commitments.

## 3. CHARGES

Fees and charges are an important source of income to the Council when balancing the budget. If additional income can be generated, it would reduce the level of savings required. As many services were unable to recommence during the Covid-19 pandemic and during the lockdown periods, there was no increase in charges in the 2021/22 budget. Prior to that, in 2019/20 a 4% increase in charges was applied across all charging areas.

Please indicate your views on the level of increase in charges you think we should consider for 2022/23.

A 4% increase in all fees and charges

More than 4% increase in all fees and charges

Less than 4% increase in all fees and charges

Are there any services that the Council does not yet charge for that you think charges should be introduced?

Please list:

### 3. CHARGES (continued)

Are there any services that the Council currently charges for that you think these charges should be reduced or removed?

Please list:

Comments: Please include any other comments you have in relation to fees and charges

### 4. COUNCIL TAX

Scottish Government funding to local authorities is often conditional on a maximum permitted rise in Council Tax. For 2021/22 the maximum permitted increase in Council Tax was 3% and this was agreed for East Dunbartonshire.

Given that the funding gap for delivering Council services identifies continued savings required for 2022/23, with a requirement to find an additional £xxm in savings over the coming years, increasing Council Tax levels is one way of helping to bridge the gap.

**A 3% increase in Council Tax will raise an additional £1.9million. For 2020/21 which of the following do you agree with:**

- A 3% increase in Council Tax
- Less than 3% increase in Council Tax
- More than 3% increase in Council

Comments: Please provide any other comments you have in relation to Council Tax

## 5. ABOUT YOU – PLEASE COMPLETE THE DETAILS BELOW

The data you provide is confidential and individuals cannot be identified from the information provided

**I am responding as**

- Individual       Employee       Behalf of Group/Organisation

**If Employee, what service do you work in?**

**If Group/Organisation, what is it called?**

**Gender identity**

- Man       Woman  
 Other       Prefer not to say

**If individual or employee, please complete the following:**

**Age range**

- Under 18       18-30       31-50       51-70       71+

**Nearest Town/Village**

**Do you consider yourself to have a disability**

- Yes  
 No

**If you consider you have a disability, please indicate if you have any of the following**

- Learning disability       Longstanding illness       Mental Health condition  
 Physical impairment       Other       Prefer not to say

**Do you have caring or parenting responsibilities for a child/children or anyone else (e.g. family member, neighbour etc)**

- Yes (child/children under 18)       Yes other (over 18)       No       Prefer not to say

**What is your ethnic group?**

- White       Black       Asian       Mixed       Other Ethnic Group

**Thank you for taking the time to complete our budget survey. The findings will be reported to Council later this year, and inform our budget planning for 2022/23 and beyond.**