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Dear ,

## **ATISN 24845 – Increase in Council Tax since 2000**

### **Information requested**

Thank you for your request which I received on 19 June. You asked:

- By how much and by what percentage has the total revenue generated by council tax increased since 2000?
- What is the current percentage of a council budget supported by the Welsh Government excluding any special grants/funding etc.

### **Our response**

The information you requested is as follows.

- The amount of revenue generated by council tax in 2000-01 was £590 million, and in 2025-26 is budgeted to be £2.323 billion. This represents an increase of £1.732 billion or 294%.
- Welsh Government support, excluding specific grants will be £5.003 billion in 2025-26, representing 60% of the total budget of councils in Wales. To answer this question we have made a number of assumptions. We interpreted 'council budget' as meaning the total budget for all councils in Wales, rather than an individual council. The 60% is arrived at by calculating £5.003bn that is provided by the Welsh Government in Revenue Support Grant to councils, as a proportion of £8.271bn budgeted revenue expenditure by councils excluding specific grants.

The source of this information can be found at [Financing of gross revenue expenditure, by source of funding \(£ thousand\)](#).

### **Next steps**

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,  
Welsh Government,  
Cathays Park,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 3NQ

or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely