

# Yeovil Town Council

## Budget 2025/26



### The Financial Strategy

The financial strategy is to deliver a balanced budget (meaning that reserves are not used to meet ongoing expenditure) whilst keeping Council Tax to a minimum. The Council look to make saving and efficiencies as well as explore new ways to generate income.

### Devolution

The Council became responsible for a number of services from Somerset Council in 2024/25. These included: Yeovil Recreation Centre (including the Rec Café), Yeovil Country Park (including Ninesprings Café), Westlands Entertainment Venue and the South Somerset Heritage Collection. In 2025/26 responsibility will expand to delivering the Yeovil in Bloom initiative and being responsible for Open Spaces and Play Areas in Yeovil.

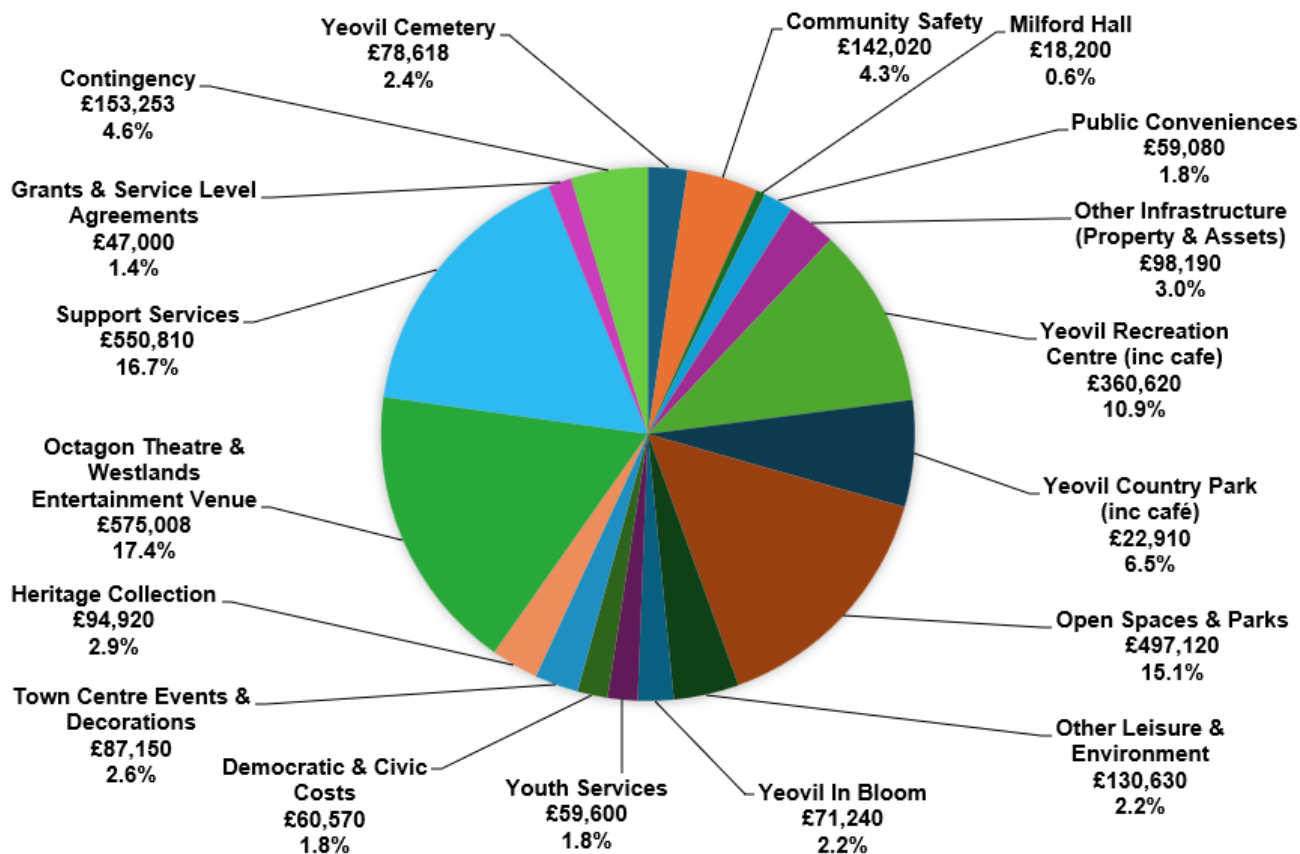
### Precept

The precept for Yeovil Town Council for the financial year 2025/26 was set at **£3,294,939**, meaning that for a Band D property, the Council's share of Council Tax is **£347.33** (an increase of £71.51 from 2024/25).

2024/25		2025/26	Difference
£2,537,412	Precept	£3,296,939	£759,527
9,199.49	Tax Base	9,492.17	292.68
<b>£ 275.82</b>	<b>Annual Band D Charge</b>	<b>£ 347.33</b>	<b>£ 71.51</b>
£ 5.30	Weekly Band D Charge	£ 6.68	£ 1.38

### Budget 2025/26

2024/25 Budget				2025/26 Budget		
(£)	(£)	Expenditure	Committee	(£)	(£)	Expenditure
567,846	(31,100)	536,746	Finance & Policy Executive	792,610	(101,100)	691,510
352,640	(32,960)	319,680	Infrastructure (Property & Assets)	352,820	(35,330)	317,490
1,693,981	(830,070)	863,911	Leisure & Environment	2,107,710	(846,990)	1,260,720
1,000	0	1,000	Planning	1,000	0	1,000
4,418,340	(3,796,130)	622,210	Culture, Events & Promotions	4,696,790	(3,904,442)	792,348
117,177	0	117,177	Contingency	153,253	0	153,253
<b>7,150,984</b>	<b>(4,690,260)</b>	<b>2,460,724</b>	<b>Total Committee Budget</b>	<b>8,104,183</b>	<b>(4,887,862)</b>	<b>3,216,321</b>
76,688	0	76,688	Joint Burial Committee	78,618	0	78,618
<b>7,227,672</b>	<b>(4,690,260)</b>	<b>2,537,412</b>	<b>Total Budget Requirement</b>	<b>8,182,801</b>	<b>(4,887,862)</b>	<b>3,294,939</b>



## Impact on Council Tax

Below is a table showing the charge per tax band (for Yeovil Town Council's share of the Council Tax Bill):

Tax Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	Total
Number of dwelling per band	3,619	5,976	2,869	1,177	679	218	69	7	14,614
% of total dwellings	24.8%	40.9%	19.6%	8.1%	4.6%	1.5%	0.5%	<0.1%	
<b>Annual impact per band</b>									
Annual Charge (£)	231.55	270.15	308.74	347.33	424.52	501.70	578.89	694.66	
Increase in annual charge (£) from 2024/25	47.67	55.62	63.57	71.51	87.40	103.29	119.19	143.02	
<b>Weekly impact per band</b>									
Weekly Charge	4.45	5.20	5.94	6.68	8.16	9.65	11.13	13.36	
Increase in weekly charge (£) from 2024/25	0.92	1.07	1.22	1.38	1.68	1.99	2.29	2.75	

\* 85.3% of dwellings in the parish of Yeovil are below a Band D

\* Town and Parish Councils are not subject to the capping of council tax.

## Band D Council Tax

Yeovil Town Council represents 13.3% of the over Council Tax bill.

£	%	Band D Charge	£	%
1,484.15	62.3	Somerset Council	1,579.02	60.7
14.65	0.6	Somerset Council – Somerset Rivers Authority	14.65	0.6
229.38	9.6	Somerset Council – Adult Social Care	263.94	10.1
279.20	11.7	Police & Crime Commissioner	293.20	11.3
99.68	4.2	Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue	104.68	4.0
275.82	11.6	Yeovil Town Council	347.33	13.3
<b>2,382.88</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total Council Tax</b>	<b>2,602.82</b>	<b>100.0</b>