

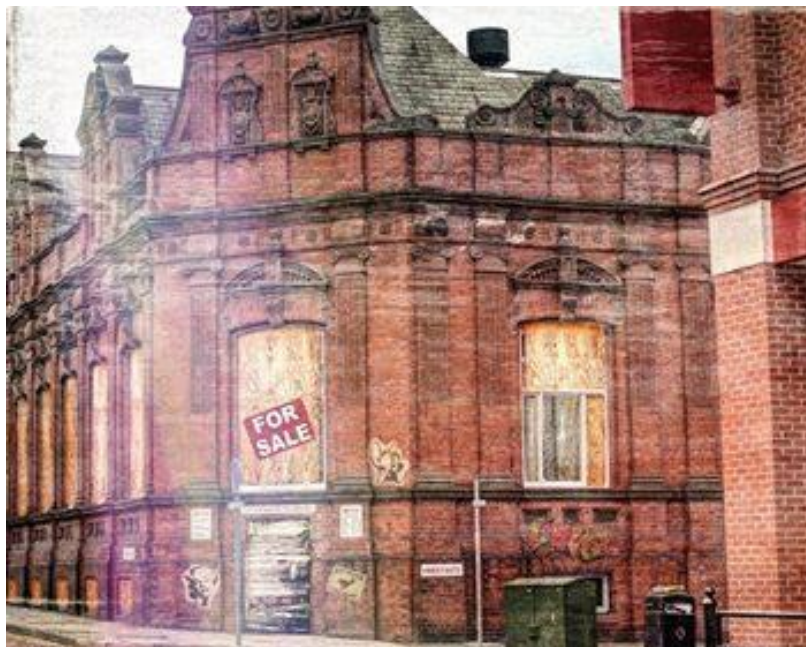


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# LABOUR'S PRIORITIES FOR DARLINGTON

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Senior salaries, not libraries



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*In 2016 he also became involved in efforts to save Darlington Library, working with a number of local groups. After collecting petition signatures and speaking at public meetings, he ultimately found a top Public Law Barrister, Michael Imperato, to challenge in the courts Labour's decision to close the library. When faced with a legal challenge, they delayed the decision until 2017.*

## Key Findings

Darlington Council spends some the **highest** amounts per resident in the country on senior officer salaries – and some of the **lowest** amounts per resident on library services.

This report examines spending priorities by Darlington's ruling Labour Group by taking data from the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, and from local councils' accounts data collated by the TaxPayers' Alliance.

As Darlington Council plans to close Crown Street library, this report reveals that it already consistently ranks near the very bottom of **over 130 local authorities** in spending per resident on library services.

- **111** councils spent more per resident on libraries in 2014/15 than Darlington did (out of 132)
- **126** councils spent more per resident in 2013/14 (out of 132)
- **131** councils spent more per resident in 2012/13 (out of 137)

Despite very low spending per resident on library services, Darlington Council spends some of the highest amounts per resident in the country on senior officer salaries and perks.

- Darlington Council ranks **7<sup>th</sup> highest in the country** (out of 145 councils) in how much it spends per resident on the Chief Executive, Ada Burns.  
Darlington Council spends **£1.69** per resident on the Chief Executive compared to an average of **£0.57** across England.
- Darlington Council ranks **#1 highest in the country** (out of 102 councils for which data is available) in how much it spends per resident on the Director of Public Health, Miriam Davidson.  
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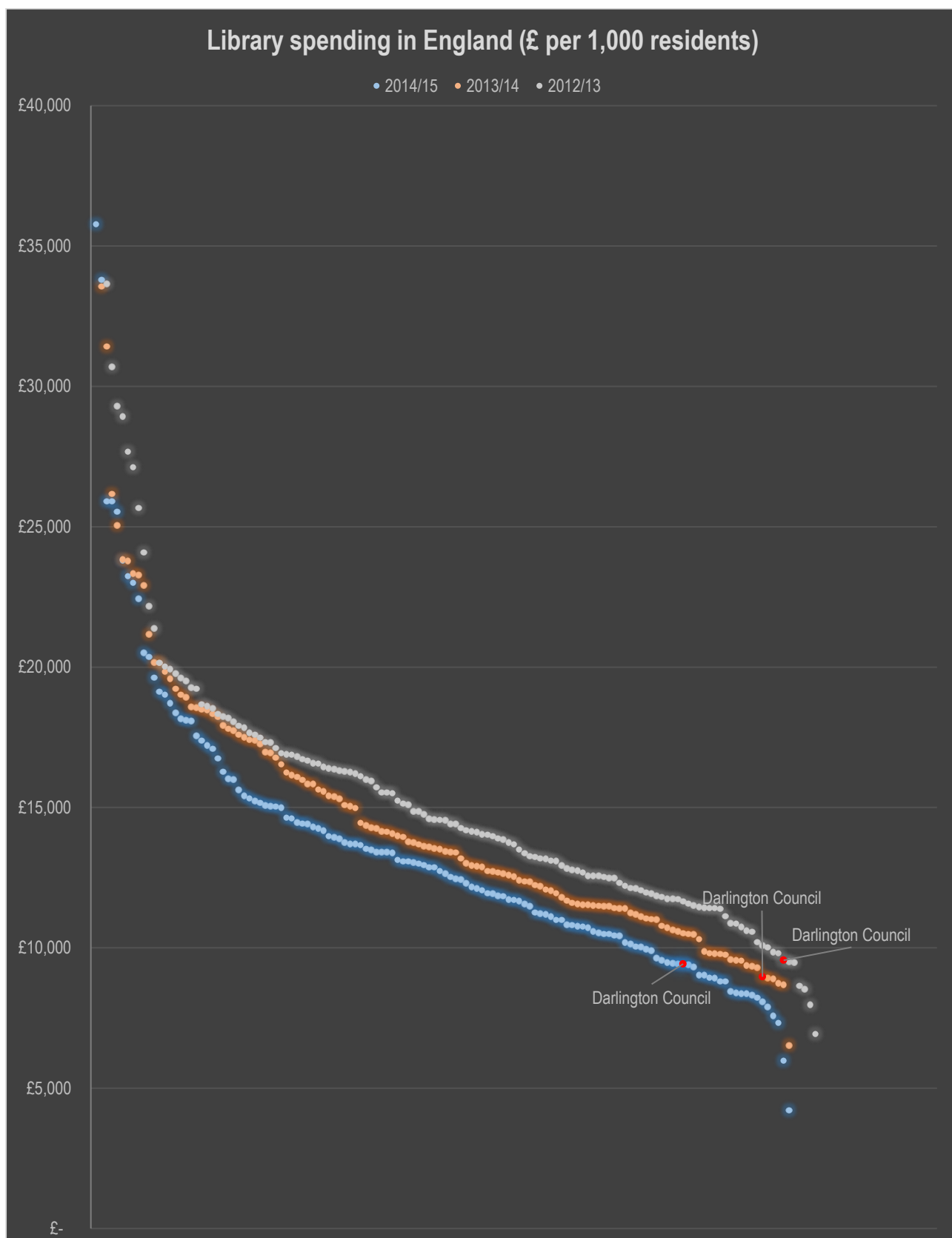
With frontline services like libraries being cut, these inefficiencies in the back office - like sky-high senior salaries - also mean that Darlington residents are facing rocketing local taxes.

Labour in Darlington have introduced the **second highest council tax increases in the country** since 2010 – more than 351 other local authorities.

Council tax since 2010 has risen **almost three times as fast (14%) as the national average (5%)**. If Labour had increased council tax by 5% rather than 14%, this would have saved the average household in Darlington £105 a year.

## Spending on libraries

The graph below shows three years of available data for more than 130 local authorities on how much they spent per resident on libraries. Darlington Council's spending is marked in red for each year.



This data sets the context for Labour's decision to close Darlington Library. All of this data is taken from the period prior to these decisions, and it already shows very poor provision year after year.

The table below illustrates the difference between Darlington and almost everywhere else in England.

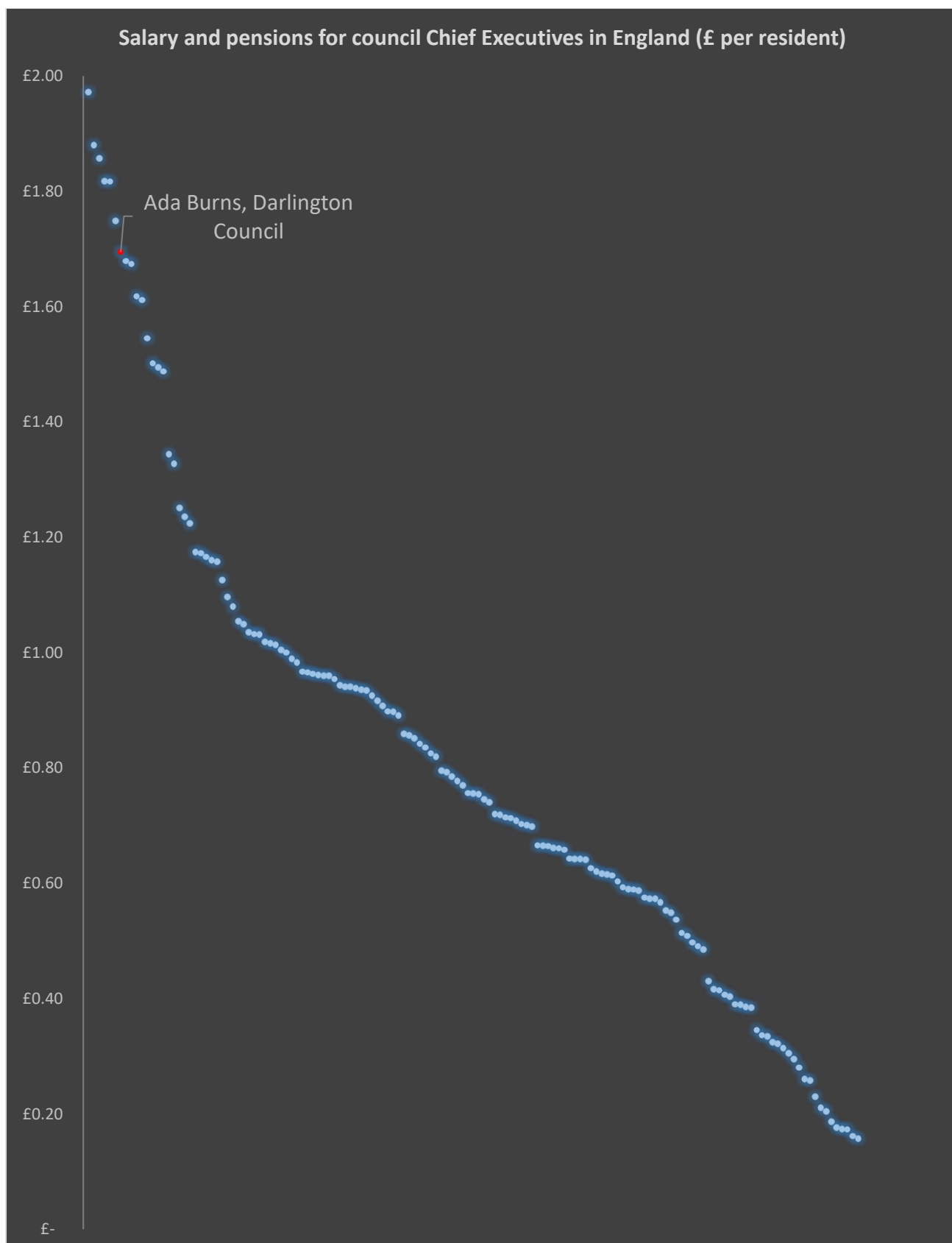
Average spend on libraries (per resident)	2014/15	2013/14	2012/13
<b>Darlington</b>	£9,425	£8,969	£9,500
<b>England</b>	£13,474	£14,634	£17,533
<b>Darlington rank</b>	112th highest (of 132 local authorities)	127th highest (of 132 local authorities)	132nd highest (of 137 local authorities)
<b>Lowest</b>	£4,215	£6,531	£6,924
<b>Highest</b>	£35,781	£43,830	£306,693

In these years, Labour-run Darlington Council spent between 30% and 46% less per resident on libraries than the average council in England.

In 2012-13, Darlington ranked 132 out of 137 councils for library spend. The next year Darlington was 127<sup>th</sup> of 132. In 2014-15, Darlington ranked 112<sup>th</sup> out of 132.

## Spending on senior salaries

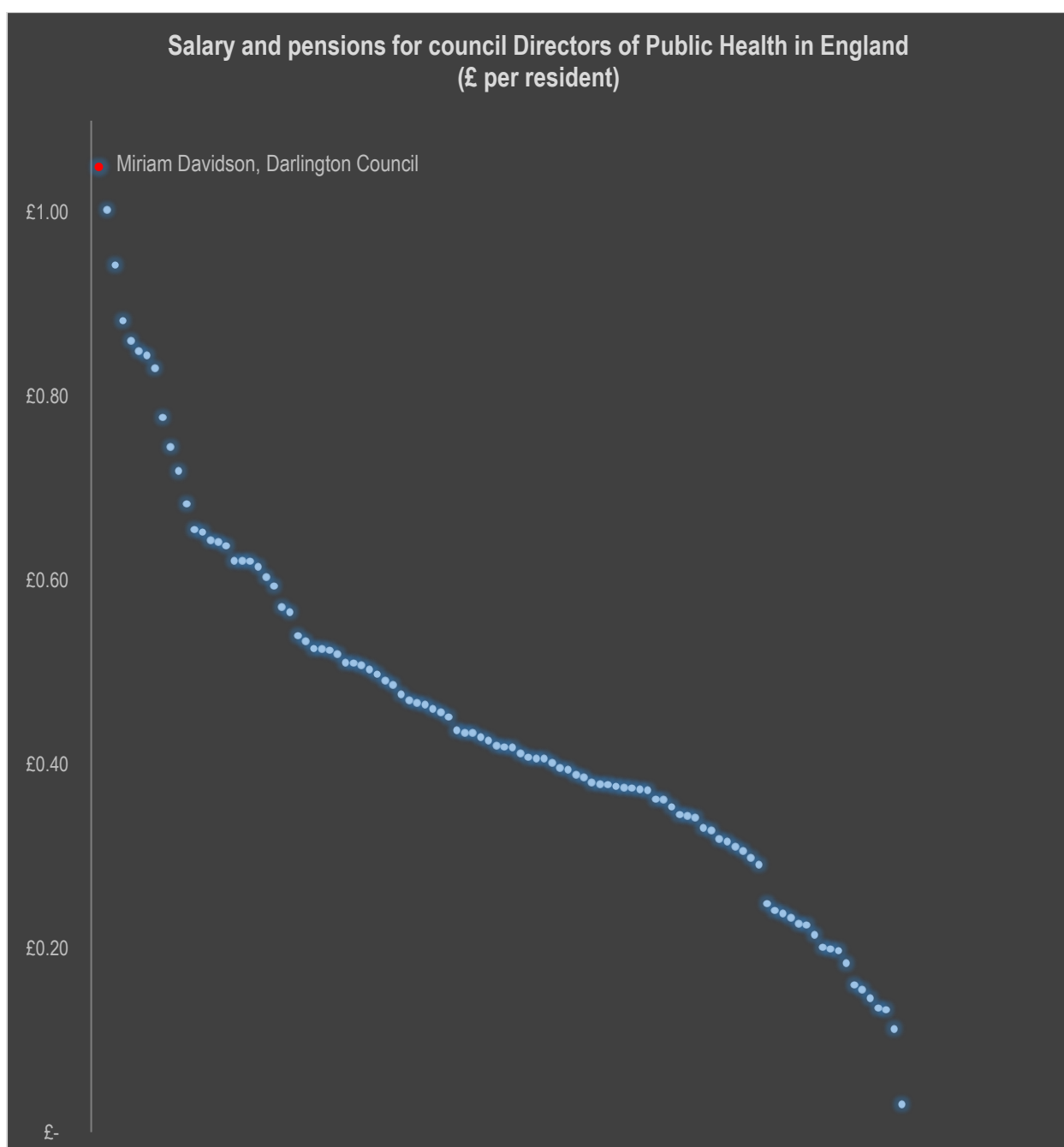
Labour's skinflint approach to library provision in Darlington is not reflected in salaries and pensions paid to senior officers. Only 6 out of 145 Chief Executives make more per resident.



Darlington Council spends £178,603 per annum on the Chief Executive, including employer pension contributions - or £1.69 for each of the borough's residents. This £1.69 for Darlington compares to an average in England of just 57p.

Spending on Chief Executive (per resident)	
<b>Darlington</b>	£1.69
<b>England</b>	£0.57
<b>Darlington rank</b>	7th highest (of 145 local authorities)
<b>Lowest</b>	£0.16
<b>Highest</b>	£1.97

The data on Public Health Directors is even more striking.



Of 102 local authorities, Labour-controlled Darlington Council spent the most of all per resident on its Public Health Director.

The average Public Health Director costs 45p per resident. Darlington's costs £1.05 per resident.

Spending on Director of Public Health (per resident)	
<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£1.05</b>
<b>England</b>	<b>£0.45</b>
<b>Darlington rank</b>	<b>1st highest (of 102 local authorities)</b>
<b>Lowest</b>	<b>£0.03</b>
<b>Highest</b>	<b>£1.05</b>

Darlington's comparatively low population is one contributor to these high remuneration per resident figures. But this population figure fails to explain why Darlington Council also spends so little per resident on libraries.

It also underlines the failure to be more efficient - if senior council officers normally manage much larger populations, why not pay less to reflect the lower number of residents?

Why not share roles and back office functions with other councils? The TaxPayers' Alliance identified a large number of councils that have saved taxpayers' money for valuable frontline services by sharing senior public health officer roles in the past or present. They include:

- Bournemouth
- Bracknell Forest
- Camden
- Hammersmith and Fulham
- Isles of Scilly
- Kensington and Chelsea
- Nottingham
- Peterborough
- Poole
- Reading
- Rutland
- Southwark
- Thurrock
- West Berkshire
- Westminster
- Windsor and Maidenhead
- Wokingham

Rather than explore these options, Darlington Council continues to pay top senior salaries – and close libraries.

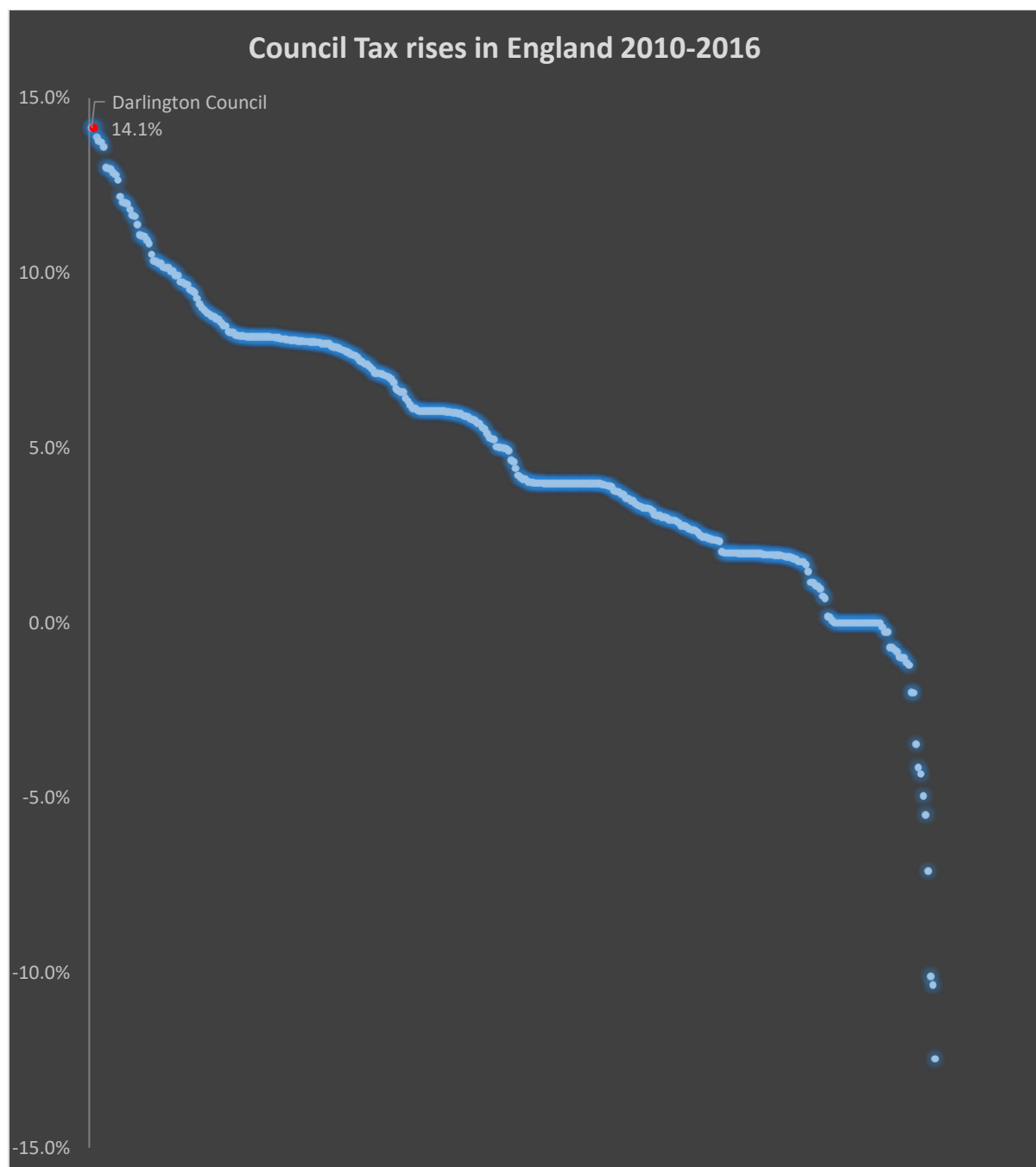
8 b) Disclosure of Remuneration for Senior Employees 2015/16

	Post Holder (required if salary exceeds £150,000)	Salary	Expenses Allowances	Redundancy Pay	Total Remuneration (excl pension contributions)	Employer pension contributions	Total Remuneration (incl pension contributions)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Chief Executive	Ada Burns	150,720	0	0	150,720	27,883	178,603
Assistant Chief Executive		43,511	0	75,217	118,728	7,281	126,009
Director of Neighbourhood Services and Resources		118,642	0	0	118,642	21,949	140,591
Director of Commissioning		115,725	0	0	115,725	21,409	137,134
Director of Economic Growth		111,273	0	0	111,273	20,586	131,859
Director of Public Health		97,000	0	0	97,000	13,871	110,871
Service Director - Children's Services		47,231	0	0	47,231	8,738	55,969
Director of Children and Adult Services		33,202	0	0	33,202	6,142	39,344



## Council tax

Labour's miserly approach to libraries and spendthrift approach to senior salaries is particularly galling when Darlington Council's tax rises are considered. Of 353 local authorities, only two councils - Leicester and Darlington - have increased council tax by more than 14% since 2010.



Since 2010, the council tax paid by the average band D home in Darlington has risen from £1,151 to £1,314. This is an extra £14 a month or £163 every year.

The average council tax increase national since 2010 was 5%, meaning Darlington's tax rises have been almost three times the national average. If Labour in Darlington had increased council tax by 5% rather than 14%, this would have saved the average household £105 a year.

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## Appendix 1: Remuneration of Chief Executives

Council	Remuneration (£)	Population	Remuneration per resident
Hyndburn	£158,225	80,228	£1.97
Waverley	£231,820	123,315	£1.88
Harlow	£158,636	85,397	£1.86
East Cambridgeshire	£158,697	87,306	£1.82
Runnymede	£155,554	85,594	£1.82
Stevenage	£151,202	86,469	£1.75
<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£178,603</b>	<b>105,389</b>	<b>£1.69</b>
Hertsmere	£173,000	102,998	£1.68
Fenland	£166,019	99,171	£1.67
Kettering	£158,000	97,650	£1.62
Halton	£203,900	126,528	£1.61
Knowsley	£227,553	147,231	£1.55
Hinckley and Bosworth	£163,338	108,769	£1.50
Middlesbrough	£208,507	139,509	£1.49
Bracknell Forest	£177,000	118,982	£1.49
Welwyn Hatfield	£160,000	119,016	£1.34
Swale	£189,096	142,417	£1.33
Thurrock	£206,586	165,184	£1.25
Redcar and Cleveland	£167,170	135,275	£1.24
Reigate and Banstead	£176,345	144,100	£1.22
South Tyneside	£174,602	148,671	£1.17
Elmbridge	£155,554	132,670	£1.17
Bedford	£193,877	166,252	£1.17
Slough	£169,054	145,734	£1.16
Kingston Upon Thames	£200,903	173,525	£1.16
Richmond upon Thames	£219,210	194,730	£1.13
Blackburn with Darwen	£160,989	146,846	£1.10
Poole	£162,556	150,577	£1.08
Cherwell	£153,501	145,550	£1.05
Oxford	£167,360	159,574	£1.05
Peterborough	£200,815	193,980	£1.04
South Cambridgeshire	£159,898	154,888	£1.03
Merton	£211,085	204,565	£1.03
West Berkshire	£158,964	156,020	£1.02
Basildon	£184,683	181,721	£1.02
Dacorum	£153,428	151,350	£1.01
Northumberland	£316,684	315,263	£1.00
Chiltern (shared with South Bucks)	£163,721	163,665	£1.00
Warwickshire	£200,599	202,718	£0.99
Wokingham	£157,616	160,409	£0.98
Southend-on-Sea	£172,779	178,702	£0.97

Bath and North East Somerset	£178,500	184,874	£0.97
Bexley	£233,201	242,142	£0.96
North Lincolnshire	£163,228	169,820	£0.96
Sutton	£192,184	200,145	£0.96
Wycombe	£169,019	176,028	£0.96
Stockton-On-Tees	£185,839	194,803	£0.95
North East Lincolnshire	£150,580	159,570	£0.94
Bury	£176,764	187,884	£0.94
Luton	£201,953	214,710	£0.94
Herefordshire	£176,512	188,099	£0.94
Gateshead	£188,105	200,996	£0.94
Harrow	£230,883	247,130	£0.93
Stoke-on-Trent	£232,793	251,648	£0.93
Aylesbury Vale	£173,000	188,707	£0.92
Central Bedfordshire	£248,720	274,022	£0.91
Salford	£220,570	245,614	£0.90
Wandsworth	£282,210	314,544	£0.90
Tameside	£197,477	221,692	£0.89
Westminster	£208,260	242,299	£0.86
Swindon	£186,085	217,160	£0.86
Haringey	£232,252	272,864	£0.85
New Forest	£150,732	179,023	£0.84
Sunderland	£231,657	277,150	£0.84
Cumbria	£411,025	497,996	£0.83
Greenwich	£225,150	274,803	£0.82
Portsmouth	£168,389	211,758	£0.80
York	£164,000	206,856	£0.79
Hounslow	£211,074	268,770	£0.79
Calderdale	£162,000	208,402	£0.78
Hackney	£207,083	269,009	£0.77
Barnsley	£181,000	239,319	£0.76
Hillingdon	£224,999	297,735	£0.76
Derby	£191,813	254,251	£0.75
Trafford	£173,860	233,288	£0.75
Wolverhampton	£188,462	254,406	£0.74
Newham	£239,655	332,817	£0.72
Solihull	£151,180	210,445	£0.72
Rochdale	£153,000	214,195	£0.71
Bolton	£200,819	281,619	£0.71
Walsall	£195,592	276,095	£0.71
Islington	£160,000	227,692	£0.70
Northampton	£156,000	222,462	£0.70
Lambeth	£226,545	324,431	£0.70
Waltham Forest	£180,467	271,170	£0.67
Medway	£183,905	276,492	£0.67
Milton Keynes	£173,980	261,762	£0.66

Southampton	£164,992	249,537	£0.66
Plymouth	£173,551	262,712	£0.66
Havering	£163,920	249,085	£0.66
Camden	£155,000	241,059	£0.64
West Sussex	£396,143	617,095	£0.64
Southwark	£198,295	308,901	£0.64
Redbridge	£190,301	296,793	£0.64
Bromley	£203,393	324,857	£0.63
Brighton and Hove	£177,000	285,276	£0.62
Barnet	£234,141	379,691	£0.62
Wigan	£198,230	322,022	£0.62
Rotherham	£160,000	260,786	£0.61
Wakefield	£201,297	333,759	£0.60
Nottingham	£189,083	318,901	£0.59
Coventry	£203,787	345,385	£0.59
Stockport	£170,185	288,733	£0.59
Doncaster	£179,009	304,813	£0.59
Enfield	£188,955	328,433	£0.58
South Gloucestershire	£157,441	274,661	£0.57
Brent	£185,630	324,012	£0.57
East Riding of Yorkshire	£191,000	336,685	£0.57
Sefton	£151,381	273,707	£0.55
Cheshire West and Chester	£183,306	333,917	£0.55
Croydon	£203,580	379,031	£0.54
Sandwell	£164,159	319,455	£0.51
Dudley	£161,000	316,464	£0.51
Ealing	£170,631	343,059	£0.50
Buckinghamshire	£259,301	528,400	£0.49
Liverpool	£232,340	478,580	£0.49
Bradford	£228,650	531,176	£0.43
Worcestershire	£240,965	578,593	£0.42
Durham	£215,408	519,695	£0.41
Dorset	£171,000	420,585	£0.41
East Sussex	£219,674	544,064	£0.40
Kirklees	£169,585	434,321	£0.39
Somerset	£198,900	510,987	£0.39
Sheffield	£219,660	569,737	£0.39
Manchester	£203,934	530,292	£0.38
Cambridgeshire	£223,578	647,238	£0.35
Leicestershire	£227,000	675,309	£0.34
North Yorkshire	£201,331	602,277	£0.33
Oxfordshire	£219,816	677,810	£0.32
Derbyshire	£251,600	782,365	£0.32
Cumbria	£156,357	497,996	£0.31
Gloucestershire	£188,429	617,162	£0.31
Staffordshire	£231,718	785,421	£0.30

Lincolnshire	£206,383	736,665	£0.28
Leeds	£201,940	774,060	£0.26
Suffolk	£191,188	741,895	£0.26
Devon	£177,444	773,077	£0.23
Surrey	£246,109	1,168,809	£0.21
Derbyshire	£159,731	782,365	£0.20
Birmingham	£207,289	1,111,307	£0.19
Hertfordshire	£205,651	1,166,339	£0.18
Lancashire	£206,868	1,191,691	£0.17
Hampshire	£234,538	1,353,043	£0.17
Essex	£232,701	1,443,151	£0.16
Lancashire	£186,992	1,191,691	£0.16

## Appendix 2: Remuneration of Public Health Directors

Council	Population	Total Remuneration	£ per head (average £0.45)
<b>Darlington</b>	<b>105,367</b>	<b>£110,580</b>	<b>£1.05</b>
Hartlepool	92,590	£92,888	£1.00
Slough	144,575	£136,305	£0.94
Kingston upon Thames	169,958	£150,000	£0.88
Blackpool	140,501	£120,887	£0.86
Torbay	132,984	£113,000	£0.85
Blackburn with Darwen	146,743	£124,000	£0.85
Halton	126,354	£105,000	£0.83
Bath and North East Somerset	182,021	£141,468	£0.78
Southend-on-Sea	177,931	£132,627	£0.75
Solihull	209,890	£150,856	£0.72
Bedford	163,924	£112,041	£0.68
York	204,439	£134,000	£0.66
North East Lincolnshire	159,804	£104,297	£0.65
South Tyneside	148,740	£95,743	£0.64
Stoke-on-Trent	251,027	£161,037	£0.64
St. Helens	177,188	£113,000	£0.64
Stockton-on-Tees	194,119	£120,644	£0.62
Richmond upon Thames	193,585	£120,246	£0.62
Warrington	206,428	£128,149	£0.62
Harrow	246,011	£151,360	£0.62
Medway	274,015	£165,336	£0.60
Islington	221,030	£131,254	£0.59
North Lincolnshire	169,247	£96,631	£0.57
Portsmouth	209,085	£118,296	£0.57
Calderdale	207,376	£112,000	£0.54
Lambeth	318,216	£169,906	£0.53
Newcastle upon Tyne	289,835	£152,494	£0.53
Bromley	321,278	£168,928	£0.53
Plymouth	261,546	£137,121	£0.52
Doncaster	304,185	£158,062	£0.52
Haringey	267,541	£136,613	£0.51
Luton	210,962	£107,651	£0.51
Barking and Dagenham	198,294	£100,627	£0.51
Tameside	220,771	£111,125	£0.50
Sefton	273,531	£136,213	£0.50
Brighton and Hove	281,076	£137,957	£0.49
Westminster	233,292	£113,486	£0.49
North Tyneside	202,744	£96,527	£0.48
Rochdale	212,962	£100,000	£0.47
Greenwich	268,678	£125,400	£0.47

Central Bedfordshire	269,076	£125,077	£0.46
Redbridge	293,055	£134,920	£0.46
Derby	252,463	£115,295	£0.46
Croydon	376,040	£169,846	£0.45
Oldham	228,765	£100,000	£0.44
Barnet	374,915	£162,950	£0.43
Swindon	215,799	£93,717	£0.43
Cheshire East	374,179	£160,732	£0.43
Sunderland	276,889	£117,919	£0.43
Salford	242,040	£101,679	£0.42
Knowsley	146,407	£61,370	£0.42
Lewisham	291,933	£122,045	£0.42
Brent	320,762	£132,134	£0.41
Sutton	198,134	£80,793	£0.41
Tower Hamlets	284,015	£115,442	£0.41
Coventry	337,428	£137,069	£0.41
North Somerset	208,154	£83,575	£0.40
Trafford	232,458	£92,045	£0.40
Wigan	320,975	£126,433	£0.39
East Riding of Yorkshire	337,115	£131,000	£0.39
Rotherham	260,070	£100,378	£0.39
Cornwall	545,335	£207,302	£0.38
Barnsley	237,843	£90,000	£0.38
Bolton	280,439	£106,017	£0.38
Southampton	245,290	£92,235	£0.38
South Gloucestershire	271,556	£101,785	£0.37
Hillingdon	292,690	£109,455	£0.37
Wakefield	331,379	£123,576	£0.37
Wandsworth	312,145	£116,049	£0.37
Enfield	324,574	£117,500	£0.36
Shropshire	310,121	£112,236	£0.36
Cheshire West and Chester	332,210	£117,526	£0.35
Hillingdon	292,690	£101,089	£0.35
Sandwell	316,719	£109,058	£0.34
Wiltshire	483,143	£165,269	£0.34
Ealing	342,118	£113,214	£0.33
Havering	245,974	£80,640	£0.33
Wirral	320,914	£102,242	£0.32
Sheffield	563,749	£178,035	£0.32
Stockport	286,755	£89,000	£0.31
Wolverhampton	252,987	£77,364	£0.31
Leicester	337,653	£100,768	£0.30
Hounslow	265,568	£77,260	£0.29
Liverpool	473,073	£117,599	£0.25
Waltham Forest	268,020	£64,610	£0.24



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Bexley	239,865	£55,930	£0.23
Walsall	274,173	£62,223	£0.23
Bradford	528,155	£119,027	£0.23
Manchester	520,215	£111,686	£0.21
Leeds	766,399	£153,875	£0.20
Kirklees	431,020	£85,823	£0.20
Walsall	274,173	£54,084	£0.20
Dudley	315,799	£58,000	£0.18
North East Lincolnshire	159,804	£25,583	£0.16
Cheshire West and Chester	332,210	£51,456	£0.15
Walsall	274,173	£39,889	£0.15
Birmingham	1,101,360	£148,684	£0.14
Dudley	315,799	£42,000	£0.13
Newham	324,322	£36,443	£0.11
Bristol, City of	442,474	£13,312	£0.03

### Appendix 3: Council tax rises since 2010

Council	2010-11	2016-17	% increase/decrease	Rank
Leicester City	£1,186	£1,354	14.1%	1
<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£1,151</b>	<b>£1,314</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	<b>2</b>
City of Nottingham	£1,332	£1,517	13.9%	3
Stockton-on-Tees	£1,222	£1,390	13.8%	4
Middlesbrough	£1,262	£1,435	13.7%	5
Surrey	£1,116	£1,268	13.6%	6
Lichfield	£142	£160	13.0%	7
Luton	£1,144	£1,292	13.0%	8
East Lindsey	£112	£127	13.0%	9
South Cambridgeshire	£115	£130	12.9%	10
Tunbridge Wells	£145	£164	12.8%	11
Gravesham	£166	£187	12.7%	12
Exeter	£125	£140	12.2%	13
Spelthorne	£167	£187	12.0%	14
Preston	£260	£291	12.0%	15
Tonbridge & Malling	£172	£193	12.0%	16
South Hams	£135	£150	11.8%	17
Epsom & Ewell	£163	£182	11.7%	18
North Dorset	£105	£117	11.6%	19
Cambridgeshire	£1,048	£1,167	11.4%	20
Breckland	£68	£75	11.1%	21
Sedgemoor	£131	£146	11.1%	22
West Devon	£192	£213	11.1%	23
Allerdale	£144	£160	10.9%	24
West Somerset	£133	£147	10.9%	25
North Kesteven	£140	£154	10.5%	26
Medway	£1,119	£1,235	10.3%	27
Oxfordshire	£1,162	£1,282	10.3%	28
Brighton & Hove	£1,262	£1,392	10.3%	29
Warrington	£1,137	£1,253	10.3%	30
Bristol	£1,339	£1,475	10.2%	31
Reading	£1,289	£1,420	10.1%	32
Kingston upon Hull	£1,097	£1,208	10.1%	33
Liverpool	£1,308	£1,440	10.1%	34
York	£1,091	£1,201	10.1%	35
Herefordshire	£1,205	£1,325	9.9%	36
Halton	£1,138	£1,251	9.9%	37
St Helens	£1,150	£1,262	9.7%	38
Wakefield	£1,101	£1,208	9.7%	39

Derby City	£1,127	£1,236	9.7%	40
Tameside	£1,169	£1,282	9.7%	41
Chelmsford	£163	£179	9.5%	42
Bradford	£1,094	£1,198	9.5%	43
Chichester	£133	£146	9.4%	44
Runnymede	£137	£150	9.3%	45
Cambridge	£167	£182	9.1%	46
Purbeck	£163	£177	9.0%	47
Bolton	£1,213	£1,321	8.9%	48
Guildford	£144	£157	8.9%	49
Christchurch	£175	£190	8.8%	50
Canterbury	£179	£194	8.8%	51
Sevenoaks	£182	£198	8.8%	52
Lancaster	£192	£209	8.7%	53
Redcar & Cleveland	£1,292	£1,404	8.7%	54
East Dorset	£191	£207	8.6%	55
Dover	£159	£172	8.5%	56
Dacorum	£170	£185	8.5%	57
Wychavon	£110	£119	8.3%	58
Surrey Heath	£190	£206	8.3%	59
Woking	£205	£222	8.3%	60
Plymouth	£1,245	£1,347	8.2%	61
Maidstone	£222	£241	8.2%	62
Oxford	£263	£285	8.2%	63
Leeds	£1,123	£1,216	8.2%	64
Kent	£1,048	£1,134	8.2%	65
Harrow	£1,187	£1,284	8.2%	66
Devon	£1,116	£1,208	8.2%	67
Dorset	£1,168	£1,264	8.2%	68
Isles of Scilly	£1,030	£1,114	8.2%	69
Sefton	£1,267	£1,370	8.2%	70
Durham	£1,283	£1,388	8.2%	71
Nottinghamshire	£1,193	£1,291	8.2%	72
Wolverhampton	£1,317	£1,424	8.2%	73
Isle of Wight	£1,290	£1,395	8.2%	74
Birmingham	£1,114	£1,205	8.2%	75
North Yorkshire	£1,057	£1,144	8.2%	76
Derbyshire	£1,077	£1,165	8.2%	77
Tamworth	£150	£162	8.2%	78
Weymouth & Portland	£268	£289	8.1%	79
Southampton	£1,239	£1,340	8.1%	80
Warwickshire	£1,155	£1,249	8.1%	81
Cornwall	£1,244	£1,345	8.1%	82
Kirklees	£1,219	£1,317	8.1%	83
Northamptonshire	£1,028	£1,111	8.1%	84
East Sussex	£1,158	£1,252	8.1%	85
Northumberland	£1,374	£1,485	8.1%	86

Bromley	£991	£1,071	8.1%	87
Reigate & Banstead	£194	£209	8.1%	88
North East Lincolnshire	£1,248	£1,348	8.1%	89
Doncaster	£1,102	£1,190	8.0%	90
Milton Keynes	£1,116	£1,206	8.0%	91
Norwich	£226	£244	8.0%	92
Burnley	£257	£278	8.0%	93
Walsall	£1,385	£1,496	8.0%	94
Worcestershire	£1,039	£1,122	8.0%	95
Wokingham	£1,199	£1,295	8.0%	96
Rotherham	£1,230	£1,328	8.0%	97
Copeland	£180	£195	8.0%	98
Coventry	£1,324	£1,429	8.0%	99
West Dorset	£125	£135	8.0%	100
Mole Valley	£152	£164	7.9%	101
Barnsley	£1,201	£1,295	7.9%	102
Manchester	£1,130	£1,219	7.9%	103
Southend-on-Sea	£1,118	£1,206	7.9%	104
North Hertfordshire	£197	£212	7.8%	105
Telford and the Wrekin	£1,099	£1,184	7.8%	106
Malvern Hills	£132	£143	7.8%	107
Lincoln	£236	£255	7.7%	108
East Northamptonshire	£119	£129	7.7%	109
Buckinghamshire	£1,078	£1,160	7.7%	110
Blaby	£138	£148	7.6%	111
Bury	£1,260	£1,355	7.6%	112
Maldon	£170	£182	7.5%	113
Barrow-in-Furness	£202	£217	7.5%	114
South Kesteven	£135	£145	7.4%	115
Rochdale	£1,285	£1,380	7.4%	116
Oldham	£1,346	£1,444	7.3%	117
Huntingdonshire	£124	£133	7.3%	118
Chesterfield	£140	£150	7.1%	119
Eden	£175	£187	7.1%	120
Test Valley	£129	£138	7.1%	121
Wandsworth	£377	£404	7.1%	122
Babergh	£139	£149	7.1%	123
Peterborough	£1,096	£1,173	7.1%	124
Ipswich	£313	£335	7.0%	125
Chiltern	£160	£171	7.0%	126
Taunton Deane	£136	£146	6.9%	127
Daventry	£137	£146	6.7%	128
Ashford	£141	£150	6.6%	129
Richmondshire	£189	£201	6.6%	130
Rushcliffe	£132	£140	6.6%	131
Bromsgrove	£193	£205	6.4%	132
Stockport	£1,363	£1,449	6.3%	133

Redditch	£209	£222	6.2%	134
Harlow	£252	£267	6.1%	135
West Oxfordshire	£82	£87	6.1%	136
Wirral	£1,253	£1,329	6.1%	137
Barking & Dagenham	£1,016	£1,078	6.1%	138
Havering	£1,195	£1,268	6.1%	139
Sutton	£1,141	£1,210	6.1%	140
Sheffield	£1,283	£1,360	6.1%	141
West Berkshire	£1,239	£1,314	6.1%	142
Islington	£962	£1,020	6.1%	143
Hertfordshire	£1,119	£1,187	6.1%	144
Lambeth	£925	£981	6.1%	145
Cumbria	£1,162	£1,232	6.1%	146
Leicestershire	£1,063	£1,127	6.1%	147
Camden	£1,022	£1,084	6.1%	148
Calderdale	£1,227	£1,301	6.0%	149
Portsmouth	£1,149	£1,218	6.0%	150
Gateshead	£1,443	£1,530	6.0%	151
Bexley	£1,129	£1,196	6.0%	152
Lancashire	£1,108	£1,175	6.0%	153
South Tyneside	£1,292	£1,369	6.0%	154
Newcastle upon Tyne	£1,354	£1,435	6.0%	155
Lincolnshire	£1,066	£1,129	5.9%	156
Croydon	£1,150	£1,218	5.9%	157
Rochford	£201	£213	5.9%	158
Staffordshire	£1,029	£1,089	5.8%	159
Lewisham	£1,042	£1,103	5.8%	160
Thurrock	£1,106	£1,169	5.8%	161
Slough	£1,151	£1,217	5.7%	162
Cheshire West and Chester	£1,255	£1,326	5.7%	163
Hambleton	£89	£94	5.6%	164
Nuneaton & Bedworth	£204	£215	5.5%	165
Mid Suffolk	£151	£159	5.4%	166
Somerset	£1,027	£1,082	5.3%	167
Gedling	£145	£153	5.3%	168
South Staffordshire	£95	£100	5.2%	169
Tewkesbury	£99	£104	5.0%	170
Worcester	£162	£170	5.0%	171
East Cambridgeshire	£135	£142	5.0%	172
North Somerset	£1,151	£1,208	5.0%	173
Bassetlaw	£153	£160	5.0%	174
Ashfield	£167	£175	4.9%	175
Wellingborough	£130	£136	4.7%	176
Aylesbury Vale	£144	£151	4.6%	177
Broxbourne	£113	£118	4.4%	178
Hinckley & Bosworth	£112	£117	4.2%	179
Melton	£179	£186	4.2%	180

East Devon	£122	£127	4.1%	181
West Lindsey	£189	£196	4.1%	182
Kingston upon Thames	£1,353	£1,407	4.0%	183
Hastings	£236	£245	4.0%	184
South Gloucestershire	£1,245	£1,295	4.0%	185
North Tyneside	£1,328	£1,381	4.0%	186
Brent	£1,059	£1,101	4.0%	187
Norfolk	£1,145	£1,191	4.0%	188
Essex	£1,087	£1,130	4.0%	189
Selby	£159	£165	4.0%	190
Blackburn with Darwen	£1,267	£1,317	4.0%	191
Rutland	£1,431	£1,488	4.0%	192
Bracknell Forest	£1,094	£1,138	4.0%	193
Knowsley	£1,246	£1,296	4.0%	194
Sunderland	£1,186	£1,233	4.0%	195
Torbay	£1,261	£1,311	4.0%	196
Gloucestershire	£1,091	£1,134	4.0%	197
Sandwell	£1,176	£1,223	4.0%	198
Tower Hamlets	£886	£921	4.0%	199
Waltham Forest	£1,152	£1,198	4.0%	200
Cannock Chase	£197	£205	4.0%	201
Greenwich	£981	£1,020	4.0%	202
Wiltshire	£1,222	£1,271	4.0%	203
Hampshire	£1,038	£1,079	4.0%	204
Swindon	£1,146	£1,192	4.0%	205
Poole	£1,210	£1,258	4.0%	206
Redbridge	£1,096	£1,139	4.0%	207
Dudley	£1,125	£1,170	4.0%	208
Enfield	£1,100	£1,144	4.0%	209
Torridge	£143	£149	4.0%	210
Blackpool	£1,306	£1,358	4.0%	211
North East Derbyshire	£171	£178	4.0%	212
East Riding of Yorkshire	£1,216	£1,264	4.0%	213
Castle Point	£230	£239	4.0%	214
West Sussex	£1,162	£1,208	4.0%	215
Elmbridge	£199	£207	3.9%	216
Wyre Forest	£198	£205	3.9%	217
Hartlepool	£1,419	£1,474	3.9%	218
Wigan	£1,172	£1,216	3.8%	219
Salford	£1,326	£1,376	3.8%	220
Cheshire East	£1,216	£1,262	3.7%	221
Fenland	£242	£250	3.7%	222
Westminster	£378	£392	3.7%	223
Fareham	£140	£145	3.6%	224
Ribble Valley	£141	£146	3.6%	225
South Bucks	£143	£148	3.5%	226
Stoke-on-Trent	£1,144	£1,183	3.5%	227

Warwick	£147	£152	3.4%	228
Waveney	£148	£152	3.4%	229
Teignbridge	£150	£155	3.3%	230
Hart	£152	£157	3.3%	231
Wycombe	£133	£138	3.3%	232
Craven	£152	£157	3.3%	233
Bath & North East Somerset	£1,202	£1,241	3.2%	234
South Norfolk	£132	£137	3.2%	235
Waverley	£162	£167	3.1%	236
Hertsmere	£157	£162	3.1%	237
Arun	£161	£166	3.1%	238
Bedford	£1,314	£1,353	3.0%	239
Erewash	£166	£171	3.0%	240
Solihull	£1,174	£1,209	3.0%	241
Winchester	£144	£149	3.0%	242
Boston	£168	£173	2.9%	243
South Northamptonshire	£170	£175	2.9%	244
Charnwood	£125	£129	2.9%	245
Stratford-on-Avon	£129	£133	2.9%	246
Bournemouth	£1,258	£1,293	2.8%	247
Gloucester	£180	£185	2.8%	248
Mid Devon	£182	£187	2.7%	249
Shropshire	£1,179	£1,211	2.7%	250
Cheltenham	£187	£192	2.7%	251
Stevenage	£189	£194	2.7%	252
Central Bedfordshire	£1,325	£1,360	2.6%	253
Tandridge	£194	£199	2.6%	254
South Ribble	£203	£208	2.5%	255
Gosport	£203	£208	2.5%	256
East Hampshire	£131	£135	2.5%	257
Rugby	£170	£174	2.4%	258
Fylde	£186	£191	2.4%	259
South Lakeland	£176	£181	2.4%	260
Scarborough	£211	£216	2.4%	261
Thanet	£210	£215	2.4%	262
Ryedale	£179	£183	2.3%	263
Three Rivers	£156	£159	2.0%	264
Haringey	£1,184	£1,208	2.0%	265
Hackney	£998	£1,018	2.0%	266
Newham	£946	£965	2.0%	267
Southwark	£912	£930	2.0%	268
Trafford	£1,105	£1,127	2.0%	269
Suffolk	£1,127	£1,149	2.0%	270
North Devon	£165	£168	2.0%	271
Harrogate	£220	£224	2.0%	272
Stroud	£187	£191	2.0%	273
Newcastle-under-Lyme	£177	£180	2.0%	274

Oadby & Wigston	£203	£207	2.0%	275
Pendle	£240	£245	2.0%	276
Rushmoor	£184	£188	2.0%	277
Suffolk Coastal	£149	£152	2.0%	278
Mid Sussex	£150	£153	2.0%	279
Mendip	£149	£152	2.0%	280
Worthing	£216	£220	2.0%	281
St Edmundsbury	£175	£179	2.0%	282
South Derbyshire	£150	£153	2.0%	283
Carlisle	£193	£197	1.9%	284
Bolsover	£158	£161	1.9%	285
Wealden	£174	£177	1.9%	286
Derbyshire Dales	£190	£193	1.9%	287
North Lincolnshire	£1,285	£1,310	1.9%	288
Eastbourne	£224	£229	1.9%	289
Corby	£176	£180	1.9%	290
High Peak	£174	£178	1.9%	291
Basingstoke & Deane	£104	£106	1.9%	292
Forest of Dean	£162	£166	1.9%	293
Tendring	£150	£153	1.8%	294
South Holland	£164	£167	1.8%	295
West Lancashire	£184	£187	1.7%	296
Wyre	£180	£183	1.7%	297
Basildon	£253	£258	1.7%	298
New Forest	£156	£158	1.7%	299
Richmond upon Thames	£1,287	£1,306	1.5%	300
Horsham	£140	£142	1.2%	301
South Somerset	£151	£152	1.2%	302
King's Lynn & West Norfolk	£124	£125	1.1%	303
Braintree	£163	£165	1.1%	304
Adur	£274	£277	1.0%	305
Crawley	£188	£189	0.8%	306
Barnet	£1,113	£1,121	0.7%	307
City of London	£807	£809	0.2%	308
Rother	£183	£184	0.2%	309
Shepway	£246	£246	0.1%	310
Cherwell	£124	£124	0.0%	311
Colchester	£175	£175	0.0%	311
Dartford	£163	£163	0.0%	311
Ealing	£1,060	£1,060	0.0%	311
Epping Forest	£149	£149	0.0%	311
Forest Heath	£137	£137	0.0%	311
Great Yarmouth	£146	£146	0.0%	311
Havant	£193	£193	0.0%	311
Hillingdon	£1,113	£1,113	0.0%	311
Hyndburn	£231	£231	0.0%	311
Kettering	£205	£205	0.0%	311



Mansfield	£185	£185	0.0%	311
North Norfolk	£139	£139	0.0%	311
Rossendale	£253	£253	0.0%	311
Swale	£160	£160	0.0%	311
Vale of White Horse	£117	£117	0.0%	311
Watford	£250	£250	0.0%	311
Welwyn Hatfield	£197	£197	0.0%	311
Kensington & Chelsea	£783	£783	0.0%	329
Merton	£1,107	£1,106	0.0%	330
Broxtowe	£163	£163	-0.1%	331
Amber Valley	£152	£152	-0.3%	332
Staffordshire Moorlands	£151	£151	-0.3%	333
Broadland	£114	£113	-0.7%	334
Brentwood	£174	£173	-0.7%	335
Newark & Sherwood	£165	£164	-0.8%	336
Northampton	£210	£208	-0.8%	337
Lewes	£192	£191	-1.0%	338
Hounslow	£1,091	£1,080	-1.0%	339
North Warwickshire	£209	£207	-1.0%	340
St Albans	£170	£168	-1.1%	341
Chorley	£180	£177	-1.2%	342
East Hertfordshire	£159	£156	-2.0%	343
Stafford	£151	£148	-2.0%	344
Eastleigh	£135	£130	-3.5%	345
East Staffordshire	£188	£180	-4.1%	346
North West Leicestershire	£180	£173	-4.3%	347
Uttlesford	£147	£140	-4.9%	348
Harborough	£170	£160	-5.5%	349
Windsor & Maidenhead	£996	£925	-7.1%	350
South Oxfordshire	£124	£111	-10.1%	351
Hammersmith & Fulham	£812	£728	-10.3%	352
Cotswold	£144	£126	-12.5%	353

#### Appendix 4: Library spending per 1,000 residents

Rank	Local Authority	2014/15	Rank	Local Authority	2013/14	Rank	Local Authority	2012/13
1	Westminster	£35,781	1	Westminster	£43,830	1	City of London	£306,693
2	Kensington & Chelsea	£33,795	2	Kensington & Chelsea	£33,554	2	Westminster	£52,683
3	Islington	£25,898	3	Islington	£31,421	3	Kensington & Chelsea	£33,651
4	Tower Hamlets	£25,898	4	Tower Hamlets	£26,176	4	Islington	£30,699
5	Camden	£25,542	5	Harrow	£25,049	5	Hackney	£29,291
6	Hackney	£23,809	6	Hackney	£23,836	6	Lewisham	£28,925
7	North Tyneside	£23,239	7	Southwark	£23,778	7	Lambeth	£27,680
8	Southwark	£23,005	8	Bournemouth	£23,329	8	Tower Hamlets	£27,120
9	Bournemouth	£22,436	9	North Tyneside	£23,275	9	Camden	£25,667
10	Windsor & Maidenhead	£20,504	10	Camden	£22,912	10	Southwark	£24,084
11	Hillingdon	£20,371	11	Richmond-upon-Thames	£21,172	11	Richmond-upon-Thames	£22,174
12	Bromley	£19,624	12	Ealing	£20,171	12	Bournemouth	£21,376
13	Enfield	£19,128	13	Lewisham	£20,149	13	Harrow	£20,151
14	Lewisham	£19,014	14	Gateshead	£19,839	14	Gateshead	£20,019
15	Sutton	£18,722	15	North East Lincolnshire	£19,586	15	Solihull	£19,919
16	Bexley	£18,375	16	Lambeth	£19,225	16	North East Lincolnshire	£19,779
17	Richmond-upon-Thames	£18,154	17	Bexley	£19,017	17	Kirklees	£19,618
18	Solihull	£18,114	18	Walsall	£18,929	18	Bexley	£19,498
19	Walsall	£18,079	19	Sutton	£18,581	19	North Tyneside	£19,261
20	Kingston-upon-Thames	£17,544	20	Bromley	£18,559	20	Newcastle-upon-Tyne	£19,231
21	Poole	£17,384	21	Oldham	£18,490	21	Manchester	£18,666
22	Halton	£17,212	22	Solihull	£18,467	22	Poole	£18,601
23	Bracknell Forest	£17,089	23	Poole	£18,332	23	Kingston-upon-Thames	£18,536
24	Southend-on-Sea	£16,753	24	Hartlepool	£18,221	24	Rochdale	£18,330
25	Kingston-upon-Hull	£16,274	25	Barnet	£17,914	25	Walsall	£18,250
26	Lambeth	£16,013	26	Brighton & Hove	£17,809	26	Enfield	£18,176
27	Hammersmith & Fulham	£16,000	27	Halton	£17,739	27	Windsor & Maidenhead	£18,054

Rank	Local Authority	2014/15	Rank	Local Authority	2013/14	Rank	Local Authority	2012/13
28	Oxfordshire	£15,627	28	Bracknell Forest	£17,590	28	Halton	£17,910
29	Barnet	£15,419	29	Windsor & Maidenhead	£17,504	29	Bromley	£17,850
30	Surrey	£15,322	30	Southend-on-Sea	£17,414	30	Bracknell Forest	£17,667
31	Newham	£15,226	31	Kingston-upon-Thames	£17,393	31	Hartlepool	£17,586
32	Oldham	£15,164	32	Manchester	£17,269	32	Sutton	£17,489
33	Manchester	£15,082	33	Kingston-upon-Hull	£16,972	33	Ealing	£17,326
34	Nottingham	£15,050	34	Newcastle-upon-Tyne	£16,939	34	Wandsworth	£17,320
35	Coventry	£15,031	35	Barking & Dagenham	£16,776	35	Nottingham	£17,116
36	Sandwell	£14,988	36	Stockton-on-Tees	£16,535	36	Croydon	£16,927
37	Kent	£14,641	37	Lincolnshire	£16,244	37	Barking & Dagenham	£16,896
38	Dudley	£14,613	38	Oxfordshire	£16,163	38	Barnet	£16,881
39	Southampton	£14,465	39	Hammersmith & Fulham	£16,082	39	Liverpool	£16,808
40	Brighton & Hove	£14,432	40	Sandwell	£15,985	40	Hammersmith & Fulham	£16,716
41	Wirral	£14,421	41	Bury	£15,839	41	St Helens	£16,669
42	Hertfordshire	£14,310	42	Coventry	£15,839	42	Wirral	£16,584
43	Dorset	£14,261	43	Dudley	£15,637	43	Brighton & Hove	£16,567
44	Blackburn with Darwen	£14,165	44	Leeds	£15,575	44	Stockport	£16,449
45	Barking & Dagenham	£13,980	45	St Helens	£15,420	45	Lincolnshire	£16,386
46	Torbay	£13,936	46	Torbay	£15,381	46	Leeds	£16,362
47	Somerset	£13,881	47	South Tyneside	£15,307	47	Haringey	£16,306
48	Newcastle-upon-Tyne	£13,742	48	Surrey	£15,088	48	Bristol	£16,291
49	Blackpool	£13,704	49	Cheshire East	£15,043	49	Surrey	£16,250
50	St Helens	£13,698	50	Nottingham	£14,974	50	Dudley	£16,210
51	Bolton	£13,659	51	Blackburn with Darwen	£14,453	51	Blackburn with Darwen	£16,107
52	Slough	£13,526	52	Blackpool	£14,348	52	Bury	£15,993
53	West Berkshire	£13,484	53	Wirral	£14,274	53	Kingston-upon-Hull	£15,943
54	Buckinghamshire	£13,415	54	Medway	£14,258	54	South Tyneside	£15,724
55	South Tyneside	£13,411	55	York	£14,149	55	Wakefield	£15,536
56	Stockton-on-Tees	£13,409	56	Hertfordshire	£14,136	56	Wolverhampton	£15,534

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57	Rutland	£13,392	57	Merton	£14,075	57	Oxfordshire	£15,513
58	Essex	£13,130	58	Somerset	£13,992	58	Torbay	£15,243
59	Merton	£13,074	59	Cumbria	£13,943	59	Hertfordshire	£15,141
60	Hounslow	£13,073	60	Portsmouth	£13,785	60	Sunderland	£15,101
61	Calderdale	£13,037	61	Sunderland	£13,749	61	Swindon	£14,868
62	Wandsworth	£13,001	62	Dorset	£13,682	62	Sandwell	£14,855
63	Medway	£12,953	63	Slough	£13,624	63	Coventry	£14,751
64	North Yorkshire	£12,866	64	Wolverhampton	£13,600	64	North Yorkshire	£14,587
65	East Riding of Yorkshire	£12,861	65	Bolton	£13,539	65	Medway	£14,574
66	Lancashire	£12,739	66	Trafford	£13,508	66	Plymouth	£14,553
67	Redbridge	£12,642	67	Stockport	£13,439	67	Hounslow	£14,547
68	Rotherham	£12,531	68	Southampton	£13,407	68	Rutland	£14,422
69	Sunderland	£12,457	69	North Yorkshire	£13,394	69	Trafford	£14,417
70	South Gloucestershire	£12,430	70	Rochdale	£13,190	70	Blackpool	£14,268
71	Cheshire East	£12,305	71	Wakefield	£13,020	71	Slough	£14,194
72	Stockport	£12,173	72	Redbridge	£12,941	72	Cumbria	£14,151
73	Havering	£12,125	73	West Berkshire	£12,896	73	North Somerset	£14,127
74	Reading	£12,042	74	Doncaster	£12,879	74	York	£14,046
75	Cumbria	£11,948	75	Wandsworth	£12,738	75	Portsmouth	£14,030
76	Rochdale	£11,940	76	Bedford	£12,722	76	Merton	£13,984
77	Wakefield	£11,861	77	Northamptonshire	£12,678	77	Redbridge	£13,899
78	Swindon	£11,843	78	Swindon	£12,633	78	Luton	£13,861
79	Thurrock	£11,713	79	Hounslow	£12,588	79	Bedford	£13,752
80	Bury	£11,707	80	Northumberland	£12,548	80	Dorset	£13,683
81	Portsmouth	£11,665	81	Waltham Forest	£12,411	81	Cheshire East	£13,499
82	Waltham Forest	£11,567	82	Reading	£12,364	82	Reading	£13,368
83	Cambridgeshire	£11,486	83	Bath & North East Somerset	£12,356	83	Havering	£13,265
84	Plymouth	£11,259	84	Lancashire	£12,234	84	Waltham Forest	£13,241
85	Greenwich	£11,218	85	Greenwich	£12,192	85	Northumberland	£13,185

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86	Devon	£11,180	86	Stoke-on-Trent	£12,082	86	Bath & North East Somerset	£13,180
87	Bedford	£11,116	87	Devon	£12,029	87	Thurrock	£13,103
88	Staffordshire	£10,995	88	Staffordshire	£11,947	88	East Riding of Yorkshire	£13,093
89	East Sussex	£10,989	89	Cambridgeshire	£11,800	89	Southampton	£12,937
90	Barnsley	£10,824	90	Plymouth	£11,680	90	Nottinghamshire	£12,825
91	Northumberland	£10,813	91	Worcestershire	£11,598	91	Bolton	£12,768
92	Doncaster	£10,760	92	Buckinghamshire	£11,564	92	Brent	£12,750
93	Nottinghamshire	£10,749	93	Thurrock	£11,536	93	Buckinghamshire	£12,681
94	Hampshire	£10,707	94	Barnsley	£11,529	94	West Berkshire	£12,573
95	Durham	£10,582	95	Norfolk	£11,513	95	Northamptonshire	£12,560
96	Shropshire	£10,532	96	South Gloucestershire	£11,494	96	Doncaster	£12,559
97	Telford & Wrekin	£10,491	97	North Somerset	£11,490	97	Stoke-on-Trent	£12,525
98	Wiltshire	£10,487	98	Derbyshire	£11,484	98	Derbyshire	£12,483
99	Trafford	£10,442	99	Hampshire	£11,419	99	Barnsley	£12,481
100	Luton	£10,436	100	Derby	£11,407	100	Derby	£12,318
101	Leicestershire	£10,190	101	Kent	£11,402	101	Devon	£12,202
102	Leicester	£10,131	102	Nottinghamshire	£11,254	102	Durham	£12,131
103	North Somerset	£10,044	103	Wiltshire	£11,188	103	Somerset	£12,119
104	Norfolk	£10,038	104	Durham	£11,113	104	Leicestershire	£12,044
105	Bath & North East Somerset	£ 9,957	105	Brent	£11,050	105	East Sussex	£11,966
106	Salford	£ 9,900	106	Leicestershire	£11,020	106	Staffordshire	£11,932
107	Brent	£ 9,638	107	East Sussex	£11,003	107	Lancashire	£11,854
108	Milton Keynes	£ 9,557	108	Cornwall	£10,780	108	Shropshire	£11,808
109	Central Bedfordshire	£ 9,469	109	Leicester	£10,723	109	Warwickshire	£11,751
110	Cheshire West and Chester	£ 9,448	110	Warwickshire	£10,646	110	Norfolk	£11,749
111	Isle of Wight	£ 9,426	111	Telford & Wrekin	£10,581	111	Hampshire	£11,730
112	<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£ 9,425</b>	112	Havering	£10,515	112	Milton Keynes	£11,661
113	Warwickshire	£ 9,402	113	Salford	£10,491	113	Kent	£11,571
114	Derbyshire	£ 9,314	114	Milton Keynes	£10,485	114	Greenwich	£11,507

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115	Sheffield	£ 9,028	115	Shropshire	£10,302	115	Cambridgeshire	£11,455
116	Stoke-on-Trent	£ 9,024	116	Sheffield	£9,863	116	North Lincolnshire	£11,437
117	Wigan	£ 8,936	117	North Lincolnshire	£9,809	117	Worcestershire	£11,423
118	North Lincolnshire	£ 8,921	118	Cheshire West and Chester	£9,793	118	Leicester	£11,421
119	Sefton	£ 8,804	119	Isle of Wight	£9,785	119	South Gloucestershire	£11,390
120	Tameside	£ 8,800	120	Tameside	£9,758	120	Central Bedfordshire	£11,127
121	Ealing	£ 8,452	121	Herefordshire	£9,587	121	Wiltshire	£10,875
122	Northamptonshire	£ 8,385	122	Suffolk	£9,555	122	Salford	£10,861
123	Suffolk	£ 8,374	123	Sefton	£9,541	123	Sheffield	£10,745
124	Wolverhampton	£ 8,360	124	Peterborough	£9,378	124	Suffolk	£10,617
125	Gloucestershire	£ 8,307	125	West Sussex	£9,349	125	Sefton	£10,567
126	Peterborough	£ 8,215	126	Central Bedfordshire	£9,299	126	Isle of Wight	£10,207
127	Warrington	£ 8,078	<b>127</b>	<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£8,969</b>	127	Wigan	£10,077
128	Harrow	£ 7,889	128	Croydon	£8,926	128	Warrington	£10,015
129	West Sussex	£ 7,576	129	Warrington	£8,891	129	Gloucestershire	£9,851
130	Herefordshire	£ 7,326	130	Wigan	£8,733	130	Cheshire West and Chester	£9,809
131	City of London	£ 5,983	131	Gloucestershire	£8,684	131	West Sussex	£9,555
132	Croydon	£ 4,215	132	City of London	£6,531	<b>132</b>	<b>Darlington</b>	<b>£9,500</b>
	<b>Average</b>	<b>£13,474</b>		<b>Average</b>	<b>£14,634</b>	133	Telford & Wrekin	£9,479
						134	Tameside	£8,646
						135	Peterborough	£8,520
						136	Herefordshire	£7,965
						137	Cornwall	£6,924
							<b>Average</b>	<b>£17,533</b>