

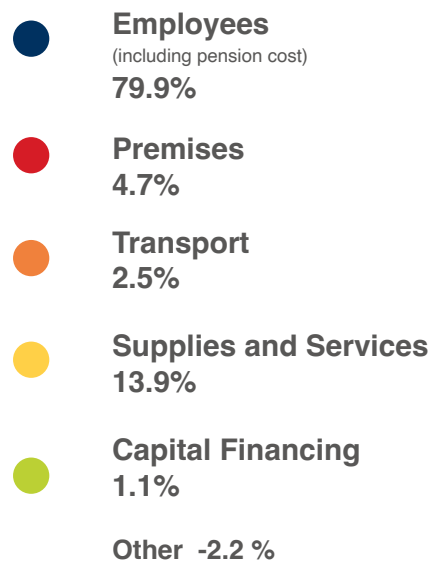
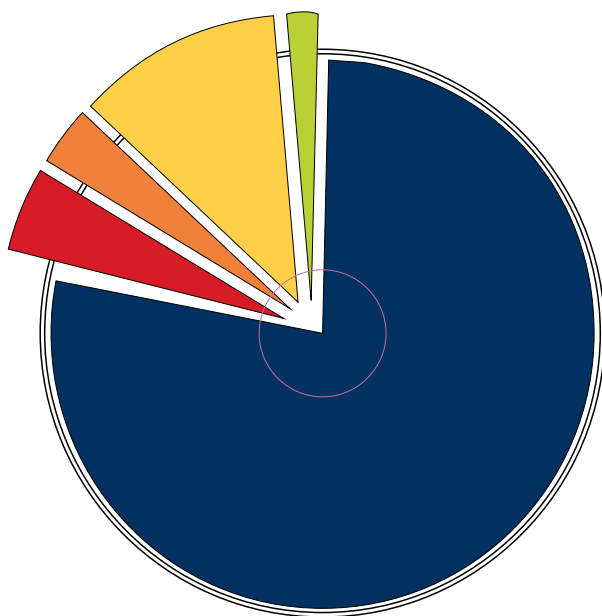
## Your fire and rescue service

Avon Fire & Rescue Service (AF&RS) protects the communities of Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire.

For 2024/25, this service will cost Band D council tax payers £85.43 which is an increase of 2.99%.

We continue to provide this vital service to keep you and your family safe, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year at cost of around 10p a day for each of the 1.1 million people who live in our area.

## Where does each pound go?



## Annual budget

Avon Fire Authority has set its net budget for 2024/25 at £51.963 million. This represents a Council Tax level of £85.43 a year for a Band D property, an increase of 2.99%.

The Government's funding assessment for Avon Fire Authority has been increased by £3.335m (19.4%) to £20.489m for 2024/25, however this includes the previous pension grant of £2.407 million so in real terms the increase is £0.928 million (5.4%). The impact of this is that the funding provided by Central Government is increased by £2.799m (23.2%) to £14.835m, excluding the pension grant £0.392 million (3.2%).



## Spending plans

	2023/24 (£m)	2024/25 (£m)
Total fire expenditure	56.222	61.534
Income	-7.182	-8.899
<b>Net budget before use of reserves</b>	49.040	52.635
Use of reserves	-0.600	-0.672
<b>Net budget</b>	48.440	51.963
<b>Funding:</b>		
<b>Central Government</b>		
Revenue Support Grant	5.839	8.637
Business rate - Top-up	6.197	6.198
<b>Local funding</b>		
Locally retained business rates	4.802	4.684
Council tax	31.602	32.444
<b>Total</b>	<b>48.440</b>	<b>51.963</b>

The main changes in spending from 2022/23 to 2023/24 are shown below.

Main changes in net expenditure	(£m)
<b>2023/24 Budget</b>	<b>48.440</b>
Pay and non-pay inflation	2.535
Other spending pressures	1.655
<b>Transformation and change savings</b>	<b>-0.667</b>
<b>2023/24 Budget</b>	<b>51.963</b>

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