

Blackburn with Darwen in full

The council tax bill and who receives it, spending by service, payments over £500, senior pay, the report card and how the council compares.

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Executive summary

The key figures from each part of this report, with the change on a year earlier where the source gives one.

Blackburn with Darwen: your area

£2,455

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+£118 (+5.1%) vs 2025-26
As of 6 April 2026

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Parking surplus, 2025-26
As of 6 April 2025

28.3%

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Band A, the lowest
As of 6 April 2026

+£44

Band D against the England
average of £2,411
Above average
As of 6 April 2026

Where your council tax goes in Blackburn with Darwen

£2,455.27

Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£2,023.66

Goes to Blackburn with Darwen
itself (82%)
As of 6 April 2026

£699.66

Largest line: adult social care
As of 17 September 2026

Parking income in Blackburn with Darwen UA

£0.74m

Parking surplus
+£0.24m (+47.3%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

£2.71m

Parking income
+£0.27m (+11.0%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

£1.98m

Spending on parking
+£0.03m (+1.6%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

Blackburn with Darwen: your area

[Your area](#) · [Last updated 27 September 2026](#) · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/your-area/blackburn-with-darwen/>

Blackburn with Darwen sets a Band D council tax of **£2,455** for 2026-27, 134 of 296 councils in England from the highest. Police: Lancashire. Fire and rescue: Lancashire. Health: NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board. This page links to everything the site holds on the area; the full bill, the report card and parking each have a page of their own.

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Household waste recycled,
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4%

A roads where maintenance
should be considered, 2024-25

63%

Reserves as a share of spending,
2025-26

What is the council tax in Blackburn with Darwen?

Band D is **£2,455** a year for 2026-27, and Band A, the lowest, **£1,637**. That is £44 above the England average of £2,411, 134 of 296 in England from the highest.

Of a Band D bill, **£2,063** goes to Blackburn with Darwen.

[Every band, who gets the money and how Blackburn with Darwen compares](#)

[Where your council tax goes: from your bill to each service](#)

How does the council compare?

- Council tax rise this year 5.1% Higher than the England figure of 4.9%
- Council tax per head £573 Lower than the England figure of £796
- Ombudsman uphold rate 100% (3 of 3) Higher than the England figure of 86%
- Reserves as a share of net spending 63% Higher than the England figure of 50%
- Borrowing per home £1,685 Lower than the England figure of £3,474
- Accounts, 2024-25 Delivered by backstop 92% of bodies had an opinion delivered by the backstop date
- Ofsted, children's services Good 73% of English councils are good or outstanding
- CQC, adult social care Good 62% of assessed councils are good or outstanding
- A roads needing maintenance considered 4% Lower than the England figure of 5%
- Recycling rate 28.3% Lower than the England figure of 42.0%
- Major planning decisions on time 100.0% Higher than the England figure of 91.0%

Each figure is set against the figure for England as a whole. They are plain comparisons, one measure at a time: there is no overall score and no ranking of councils. Higher is not always better or worse; what each measure does and does not show is on the [methodology page](#).

[The full report card: complaints, finances, audit, pay and services](#)

Roads, bins and planning

Roads, recycling and planning in Blackburn with Darwen

Measure	Figure	Period
A roads where maintenance should be considered	4%	2024-25
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered	12%	2024-25
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered	25%	2024-25
Household waste reused, recycled or composted	28.3%	2024-25
Major planning decisions made on time	100.0%	24 months to end of June 2026

Road condition is from the Department for Transport; each figure is compared with England as a whole in the [report card](#).

What does the council make from parking?

Parking income and surplus for Blackburn with Darwen

Authority	Year	Income	Surplus
Blackburn with Darwen UA	2025-26	£2.7m	£738,000

What the law lets a council spend a parking surplus on is on [parking fines and council parking income](#).

Who is your MP?

A council area can span several constituencies, so your MP depends on your address. Enter your postcode in the box at the top of this page to see your MP and what their office cost, [find any MP by name or constituency](#), or see every constituency and its MP on [the MP map](#).

How much crime is recorded here?

In the 12 months to June 2026, police recorded **86.6 crimes per 1,000 residents** in Blackburn with Darwen, excluding anti-social behaviour, against 82.4 across England.

[Blackburn with Darwen on the crime map, down to streets of a few hundred homes](#)

Your police precept

A Band D home in Blackburn with Darwen pays **£292.40** police precept in 2026-27. It funds **Lancashire**, which has £438m in all for 2026-27. The precept is set once for the whole force area and spent across the whole force area, so the crime figures above for Blackburn with Darwen are not what its precept bought.

[Lancashire: funding, precept and results for the whole force](#)

Who runs police, fire, health and ambulances here?

The bodies that serve Blackburn with Darwen, and their latest money

Service	Body	Latest	Per resident
Police	Lancashire	£438m (2026-27)	£271
Fire and rescue	Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service	£79m (2025-26)	£48.99
Ambulance	North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust	£553m (2024-25)	£71.67
NHS	NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board	£6.0bn (2028-29)	£3,271
Roads	Blackburn with Darwen	£0m (2025-26)	£0.00
Schools	Blackburn with Darwen	£177m (2026-27)	£1,079
Council spending	Blackburn with Darwen	£389m (2025-26)	£2,373
Social care	Blackburn with Darwen	£139m (2024-25)	£858
Housing	Blackburn with Darwen	£5m (2025-26)	£32.11
Waste and recycling	Blackburn with Darwen	not published	—

Each body serves a wider area than Blackburn with Darwen, and its money is for the whole of that area. Its page has its funding over time and what is recorded alongside it; [public services near you](#) looks them up for any postcode. Water is not covered yet: see [Discover Water](#).

Which bodies cover Blackburn with Darwen: ONS lookups of local authorities to police force areas, fire and rescue authorities, integrated care boards and local health boards (Open Government Licence v3.0); where an area is split between integrated care boards, the one covering most residents is named.

How does Blackburn with Darwen look against other councils?

See Blackburn with Darwen on [the council map](#), alongside every other council on council tax, complaints, reserves, audit and inspections, or [browse every council](#).

Common questions

- How much is council tax in Blackburn with Darwen? Band D is £2,455 a year for 2026-27. [Every band](#).
- Which police force covers Blackburn with Darwen? Lancashire police force area. Fire and rescue: Lancashire.

Council tax in Blackburn with Darwen

Your area · Last updated 27 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/blackburn-with-darwen/>

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134 of 296

Rank in England, highest first
As of 6 April 2026

What is the bill for each band?

Council tax by band in Blackburn with Darwen, bands A to H

Band	A year	A month
Band A	£1,636.85	£136.40
Band B	£1,909.65	£159.14
Band C	£2,182.46	£181.87
Band D	£2,455.27	£204.61
Band E	£3,000.89	£250.07
Band F	£3,546.50	£295.54
Band G	£4,092.12	£341.01
Band H	£4,910.54	£409.21

Who gets the money?

Band D bill in Blackburn with Darwen by receiving body

Who receives it	Band D	Share
Blackburn with Darwen	£2,063	84%
Other precepting bodies	£392	16%

Each body sets its own precept and the council simply collects them together. The council that sends the bill keeps only its own share.

[Where your council tax goes: from your bill to each service](#)

How does it compare?

Band D here is **£44** above the England average, 134 of 296 councils from the highest.

Blackburn with Darwen among the England councils nearest it, Band D 2026-27

Wyre	£2,461
North Norfolk	£2,460
West Lancashire	£2,456
Worthing	£2,456
Blackburn with Darwen (Blackburn with Darwen)	£2,455
Cheshire East	£2,455
East Hertfordshire	£2,455
Welwyn Hatfield	£2,452
Malvern Hills	£2,451

Ranked highest first. Every council is in the full table.

How does Blackburn with Darwen compare? The report card

Official figures on complaints, finances, audit, pay and services for Blackburn with Darwen, each from the body that published it and set against the figure for England. See every council on the [council map](#).

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What do complaints to the ombudsman show?

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman: Blackburn with Darwen, 2025-26

Measure	Blackburn with Darwen	For comparison
Complaints and enquiries received	44	—
Complaints and enquiries decided	32	35 in 2024-25
Detailed investigations	3	—
Upheld	3	—
Uphold rate	100%	86% for every body the Ombudsman covers; 85% for similar councils
Upheld cases where the council had already offered a satisfactory remedy	0%	13% for every body the Ombudsman covers
Ombudsman's recommendations the council complied with	100%	99.9% for every body the Ombudsman covers
Uphold rate in 2024-25	78%	—

An uphold rate depends on how many complaints reach a detailed investigation. With few investigations, one decision moves it a long way.

Source: [Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, Annual review of local government complaints, 2025-26](#).

This council is not in the Housing Ombudsman's landlord tables for 2025-26, which list landlords with five or more findings. Most councils without their own homes are not.

How healthy are its finances?

Reserves, spending and borrowing: Blackburn with Darwen

Measure	Blackburn with Darwen	For comparison
Net revenue spending, 2025-26	£146.8m	—
Reserves at the end of 2025-26	£92.4m	—
Reserves as a share of net spending	63%	50% for England; 56% in 2024-25
Outstanding borrowing at 30 June 2026	£108.3m	—
Borrowing per home on the valuation list	£1,685	£3,474 across English billing authorities

Earmarked and unallocated revenue reserves at the end of the year, excluding schools and public health, as a share of net revenue expenditure. Much of any council's reserves is set aside for particular purposes. Borrowing is total outstanding loans of every kind; councils borrow mainly to pay for buildings, roads and housing, and the figure does not show what the borrowing was for.

Source: [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Local authority revenue expenditure and financing: revenue outturn time series](#), 2025-26; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Local authority borrowing and investment live table](#), 30 June 2026; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Council Taxbase statistics](#), 2025.

What have the auditors said?

Audit of the accounts: Blackburn with Darwen

Accounts year	Status recorded by PSAA	Opinion signed
2024-25	Delivered by backstop	26 February 2026
2023-24	Delivered by backstop	25 February 2025

“Delivered by backstop” means the auditor gave an opinion by the statutory backstop date. Many opinions given that way were disclaimed or qualified because the deadline cut the audit short; PSAA publishes which type of opinion each council received only as national totals, so it is not shown here. Auditors' value-for-money findings are in each auditor's annual report on the council's website.

Source: [Public Sector Audit Appointments, Monthly audit opinion data](#), 2024-25.

What are senior staff and councillors paid?

Senior pay and councillor allowances for Blackburn with Darwen have not yet been read from its statement of accounts. There is no central dataset of either; they are being added council by council, each with a link to the page of the accounts it comes from.

How are its services rated?

Service ratings and performance: Blackburn with Darwen

Measure	Blackburn with Darwen	For comparison
Children's services, Ofsted overall effectiveness	Good	23 April 2025. 73% of English councils judged good or outstanding
Adult social care, CQC assessment	Good	24 July 2025. 62% of assessed councils rated good or outstanding
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	4%	5% in England
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	12%	7% in England
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	25%	17% in England
Household waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting, 2024-25	28.3%	42.0% for England
Major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	100.0%	91.0% for England
Non-major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	100.0%	90.7% for England

Inspections happen at different times, so a rating can be several years old; the date is shown with each. Planning figures are measured differently in each nation: share of decisions made within the statutory time (13 weeks for major, 8 for non-major) or an agreed extension, over 24 months. Recycling rates are measured differently in England, Scotland and Wales, so compare within a nation.

Source: [Ofsted, Children's social care: local authority inspection outcomes](#), as at 31 March 2026; [Care Quality Commission, Local authority assessments](#), latest assessment; [Department for Transport, Road condition statistics: data tables \(RDC\)](#), 2024-25; [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Local authority collected waste management: annual results](#), 2024-25; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Live tables on planning application statistics \(P151, P153\)](#), 24 months to end of June 2026.

What has happened recently?

Decisions and publications by official bodies about Blackburn with Darwen, newest first. Each links to the body that made or published it. News reports are not included.

1. 7 May 2026 Election [Local election: 17 seats won](#) Reform UK 9, Independent 6, Labour Party 2 Democracy Club
2. 1 April 2026 Council tax [Council tax for 2026-27: Band D £2,455, up 5.1% on the year before](#) Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
3. 26 February 2026 Audit [Auditor's opinion on the 2024-25 accounts signed](#) PSAA records the status as "Delivered by backstop"; auditor Forvis Mazars LLP. Public Sector Audit Appointments
4. 2 May 2024 Election [Local election: 17 seats won](#) Independent 8, Labour Party 7, Conservative and Unionist Party 2 Democracy Club
5. 4 May 2023 Election [Local election: 17 seats won](#) Labour Party 13, Conservative and Unionist Party 3, Labour and Co-operative Party 1 Democracy Club

Does the council think something here is wrong?

If you represent Blackburn with Darwen and think a figure here is wrong, out of date or unfairly presented, email hello@whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk with this page's address and the source you would point to. Every correction is logged, with its date, on the [corrections page](#).

How much of the council's spending does this cover?

Council tax paid for 13.0% of the money Blackburn with Darwen had to spend in 2025-26. The rest came from government grants (52.0%), business rates (11.5%) and fees, charges and other income (23.5%). That is why a grant cut can raise your bill even when the council has not changed what it does. [See where it goes](#).

Where can I find out more?

[What council tax is and why it works this way](#), including why the bands are still based on 1991 property values in England and Scotland, and [how every area compares](#), everything else on [Blackburn with Darwen: parking, roads, your MP and local services](#), and [Blackburn with Darwen on the council map](#).

Common questions

- **How much is council tax in Blackburn with Darwen?** Band D is £2,455 a year for 2026-27. Band A is £1,637 and the top band £4,911.
- **Is council tax in Blackburn with Darwen higher than average?** Yes. Band D here is £44 above the England average of £2,411.

Where your council tax goes in Blackburn with Darwen

Your area · Last updated 27 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/blackburn-with-darwen/where-it-goes/>

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Key figures

£2,455.27

Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

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Goes to Blackburn with Darwen
itself (82%)
As of 6 April 2026

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Largest line: adult social care
As of 17 September 2026

13.0%

Of the council's money that comes
from council tax, 2025-26
As of 17 September 2026

Who gets your bill

Figures are for a **Band D** home. Bands A to H pay a fixed fraction of this, set in law.

Parish precepts differ from parish to parish; this is the average across the area, and a home outside any parish pays none.

And where does that bit go?

Choose any part of the bill to see how it divides, then keep going as far as the published returns allow. Every level has its own link you can share.

An interactive map or explorer appears here on the live page.

Parks, street cleaning and roads here

What Blackburn with Darwen spent, net of income, on the lines readers ask about most. Roads and street cleaning are also shown per mile of road the council looks after, where it is the highway authority. Gully cleaning and verge cutting are inside routine maintenance; no return splits them out.

Blackburn with Darwen, 2025-26

Line	Net spending	Per resident	Similar councils, per resident	Per mile of road	Change
Parks and open spaces (including play areas)	£1.6m	£9.55	£15	—	down 24.9% on 2024-25
Street cleaning	£2.5m	£15	£17	£7,427 (similar: £7,674)	down 4.0% on 2024-25
Road and bridge maintenance	-£1.8m	£-11.20	£15	£-5558.00 (similar: £4,316)	—
Environmental, safety and routine maintenance	£1.6m	£9.69	£7.45	£4,809 (similar: £4,006)	up 16.8% on 2024-25
Structural maintenance (resurfacing, bridges)	-£3.4m	£-20.89	£3.77	£-10367.00 (similar: £1,292)	—
Winter service (gritting)	£412k	£2.52	£1.51	£1,248 (similar: £603)	down 36.8% on 2024-25
Street lighting (including energy)	£1.4m	£8.77	£5.75	£4,355 (similar: £2,126)	down 0.9% on 2024-25

Miles of road: Department for Transport road lengths, 2025; locally managed major roads and all minor roads. More on [what council tax does and doesn't pay for](#).

What it adds up to

Blackburn with Darwen: net spending per resident by service, 2025-26, against the median for unitary councils in England

Service	Per resident	Median
Education	£1,045	£712
Adult social care	£492	£478
Children's social care	£400	£300
Public health	£121	£64
Environment and regulation	£99	£111
Running the council	£74	£51
Parks, leisure, libraries and culture	£64	£38
Housing (not council homes)	£32	£34
Planning and development	£26	£21
Roads and transport	£21	£49

- Blackburn with Darwen spent **35.7%** of its gross service spending on its own staff in 2025-26 (median for unitary councils in England: 31.1%); the rest went on suppliers, contractors, grants, benefits and other running costs.

What this data does and doesn't show

- These are each body's own figures, as reported to government in its revenue outturn return. Net spending is after the fees, charges and grants a service brings in.
- Your bill is for 2026-27; it is shared out using the latest published return, which covers an earlier year. The mix of spending changes little from one year to the next, but it does change.
- Council tax is not ring-fenced: this shows your bill in proportion to spending, not what your money bought. Where a precept is set aside for adult social care, it is shown against adult social care.
- No council publishes spending at street or property level, so nothing here says what was spent near you.
- Sub-service lines are the ones the national returns itemise. Councils describe their own budgets differently; their budget books and statements of accounts have more detail.

Sources

- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, [Council Tax levels set by local authorities in England: Table 10, local authority level data](#), published 25 March 2026. Open Government Licence v3.0.
- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, [Local authority revenue expenditure and financing: Revenue Outturn multi-year data set](#), published 17 September 2026. Open Government Licence v3.0.

How the split is worked out, and how the three nations' returns are matched to one list of services, is on the [methodology page](#). The dataset is on the [data page](#). See also [council tax in Blackburn with Darwen](#) and [everything else about Blackburn with Darwen](#).

Common questions

- **What does council tax pay for in Blackburn with Darwen?** A Band D bill of £2,455.27 is split between Blackburn with Darwen, Blackburn with Darwen: adult social care precept, this year's increase, Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable, Lancashire Combined Fire and Rescue Authority, Parish and town councils (average for the area). In proportion to spending, the largest line is adult social care, £699.66.
- **Is council tax ring-fenced for particular services?** No. Council tax is pooled with grants, business rates and fees. The adult social care precept is the exception: councils raise it for adult social care.

Parking income in Blackburn with Darwen UA

Your area · Last updated 27 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/parking/blackburn-with-darwen-ua/>

In 2025–26 Blackburn with Darwen UA took **£2.7m** in parking income and spent £2.0m, a **surplus of £0.7m** against £0.5m in 2024–25 (+47%), the 176th largest of 290 councils in England. Penalty charges brought in £0.9m. Figures are from the council's own return to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Key figures

£0.74m

Parking surplus
+£0.24m (+47.3%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£2.71m

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Spending on parking
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2025–26

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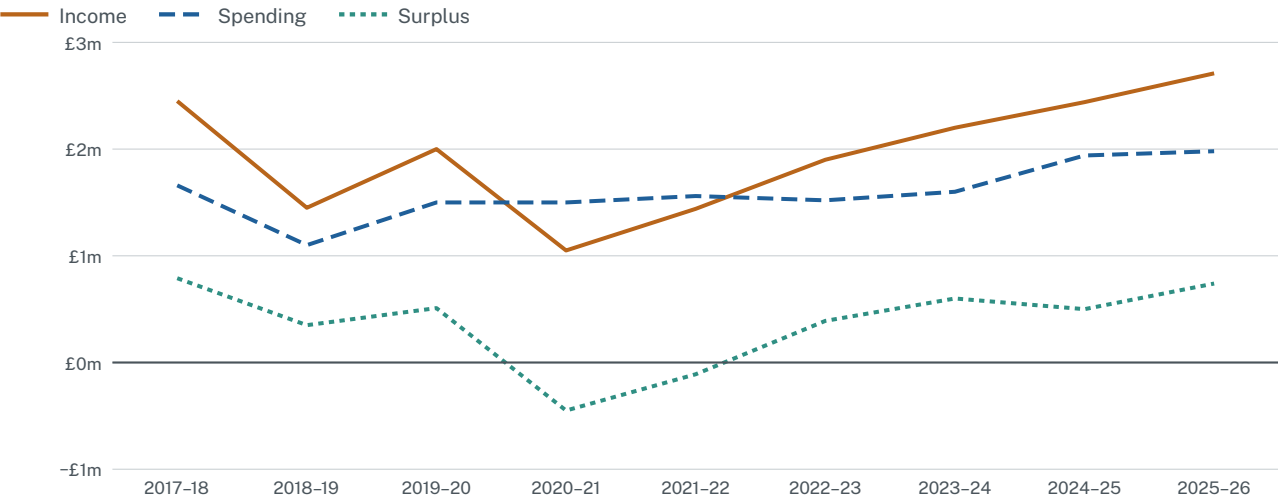
Penalty charge income
+£0.12m (+16.2%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

176 of 290

Rank in England, largest surplus
first
2025–26

How much has Blackburn with Darwen UA made from parking each year?

Blackburn with Darwen UA: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million



Blackburn with Darwen UA: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million. Income: £2.45m in 2017–18, £2.71m in 2025–26. Spending: £1.66m in 2017–18, £1.98m in 2025–26. Surplus: £0.79m in 2017–18, £0.74m in 2025–26.

Blackburn with Darwen UA: on-street and car park accounts

Year	On-street income	On-street spending	Car park income	Car park spending	Penalty income
2017-18	£1.40m	£0.69m	£1.05m	£0.97m	£1.40m
2018-19	£0.25m	£-0.10m	£1.19m	£1.21m	£0.25m
2019-20	£0.63m	£0.19m	£1.37m	£1.30m	£0.63m
2020-21	£0.44m	£0.14m	£0.61m	£1.36m	£0.44m
2021-22	£0.51m	£0.15m	£0.93m	£1.40m	£0.51m
2022-23	£0.53m	£0.15m	£1.37m	£1.37m	£0.53m
2023-24	£0.65m	£0.17m	£1.55m	£1.44m	£0.65m
2024-25	£0.76m	£0.28m	£1.68m	£1.67m	£0.76m
2025-26	£0.89m	£0.44m	£1.82m	£1.53m	£0.89m

All figures are cash, in the council's own return. The most recent year is a first release and may be revised. Blackburn with Darwen UA is recorded as: Unitary Authority.

What can Blackburn with Darwen UA spend a surplus on?

On-street parking charges and all council parking penalty charges (England and Wales)

Ring-fenced by law a ring-fenced parking account. A surplus may only be spent on parking, public transport, highway and environmental improvements and similar purposes; a deficit is made good from the general fund.

[Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s55, as applied in England by SI 2022/71, regs 25 and 27](#)

Council car park (off-street) tariffs

Kept by the body that collects it the council's general fund. Section 55 covers on-street parking and enforcement income, not car park fees. Not verified

[Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s55\(1\), and DfT statutory guidance on civil parking enforcement](#)

How does Blackburn with Darwen UA compare with other councils?

Blackburn with Darwen UA among the England councils nearest it, parking surplus 2025-26

Gosport		£0.76m
Central Bedfordshire UA		£0.76m
Surrey Heath		£0.75m
Braintree		£0.74m
Blackburn with Darwen UA (Blackburn with Darwen UA)		£0.74m
South Kesteven		£0.71m
Lincolnshire CC		£0.71m
Oldham		£0.70m
Newark & Sherwood		£0.69m

Ranked largest surplus first; a negative figure is a deficit. Every council is in the full tables.

[Every council's parking surplus](#), penalty charge levels and the national trend.

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