Sheffield 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.

Sheffield: your area

£2,510
Band D council tax, 2026-27
+£121 (+5.1%) vs 2025-26
As of 6 April 2026

£5.0m
Parking surplus, 2025-26
As of 6 April 2025

31.0%
Household waste recycled, 2024-25

Council tax in Sheffield

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£1,673
Band A, the lowest
As of 6 April 2026

+£99
Band D against the England average of £2,411
Above average
As of 6 April 2026

Where your council tax goes in Sheffield

£2,510.16
Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£2,089.65
Goes to Sheffield itself (83%)
As of 6 April 2026

£790.93
Largest line: adult social care
As of 28 September 2026

Parking income in Sheffield

£4.99m
Parking surplus
+£0.09m (+1.9%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£10.28m
Parking income
+£0.55m (+5.7%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£5.29m
Spending on parking
+£0.46m (+9.5%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

Sheffield: spending over £500

£1.11bn
Paid in payments of £500 or more, latest year

161,543
Payments

4,009
Suppliers

Sheffield: senior pay and councillor allowances

£268,692
Chief Executive, 2025-26

24
Staff paid £100,000 or more, 2025-26

£1,927,000
Members' allowances, 2025-26

Sheffield: your area

Your area · Last updated 21 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/your-area/sheffield/

Sheffield sets a Band D council tax of **£2,510** for 2026-27, 89 of 296 councils in England from the highest. Police: South Yorkshire. Fire and rescue: South Yorkshire. Health: NHS South Yorkshire 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.

Key figures

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Household waste recycled, 2024-25

1%
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25

43%
Reserves as a share of spending, 2025-26

What is the council tax in Sheffield?

Band D is **£2,510** a year for 2026-27, and Band A, the lowest, **£1,673**. That is £99 above the England average of £2,411, 89 of 296 in England from the highest.

Of a Band D bill, **£2,130** goes to Sheffield.

Every band, who gets the money and how Sheffield compares

Where your council tax goes: from your bill to each service

Every payment over £500 that Sheffield publishes

Sheffield: senior pay and councillors' allowances

How does the council compare?

- Council tax rise this year 5.1% Higher than the England figure of 4.9%
- Council tax per head £650 Lower than the England figure of £796
- Ombudsman uphold rate 81% (25 of 31) Lower than the England figure of 86%
- Reserves as a share of net spending 43% Lower than the England figure of 50%
- Borrowing per home £2,779 Lower than the England figure of £3,447
- Accounts, 2025-26 Unsigned 6% 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 Requires improvement 63% of assessed councils are good or outstanding
- A roads needing maintenance considered 1% Lower than the England figure of 5%
- Recycling rate 31.0% Lower than the England figure of 42.0%
- Major planning decisions on time 87.1% Lower 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 Sheffield

Measure	Figure	Period
A roads where maintenance should be considered	1%	2024-25
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered	3%	2024-25
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered	14%	2024-25
Household waste reused, recycled or composted	31.0%	2024-25
Major planning decisions made on time	87.1%	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 Sheffield

Authority	Year	Income	Surplus
Sheffield	2025-26	£10.3m	£5.0m

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 August 2026, police recorded **94.2 crimes per 1,000 residents** in Sheffield, excluding anti-social behaviour, against 82.5 across England.

Sheffield on the crime map, down to streets of a few hundred homes

Your police precept

A Band D home in Sheffield pays **£280.04** police precept in 2026-27. It funds **South Yorkshire**, which has £400m 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 Sheffield are not what its precept bought.

South Yorkshire: funding, precept and results for the whole force

Who runs police, fire, health and ambulances here?

The bodies that serve Sheffield, and their latest money

Service	Body	Latest	Per resident
Police	South Yorkshire	£400m (2026-27)	£279
Fire and rescue	South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	£68m (2025-26)	£47.34
Ambulance	Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust	£447m (2024-25)	£79.07
NHS	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board	£4.6bn (2028-29)	£3,201
Roads	Sheffield	£68m (2025-26)	£117
Schools	Sheffield	£515m (2026-27)	£888
Council spending	Sheffield	£1.2bn (2025-26)	£2,098
Social care	Sheffield	£481m (2024-25)	£829
Housing	Sheffield	£27m (2025-26)	£46.48
Waste and recycling	Sheffield	not published	—

Each body serves a wider area than Sheffield, 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 Sheffield: 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 Sheffield look against other councils?

See Sheffield 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 Sheffield?** Band D is £2,510 a year for 2026-27. Every band.
- **Which police force covers Sheffield?** South Yorkshire police force area. Fire and rescue: South Yorkshire.

Council tax in Sheffield

Your area · Last updated 21 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/sheffield/

Council tax in **Sheffield** for 2026-27 is **£2,510 a year for a Band D home**, £1,673 for Band A and £5,020 for the top band. That is £99 above the England average of £2,411. It ranks 89 of 296 billing areas in England. Figures are the council's own set rates.

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89 of 296
Rank in England, highest first
As of 6 April 2026

What is the bill for each band?

Council tax by band in Sheffield, bands A to H

Band	A year	A month
Band A	£1,673.44	£139.45
Band B	£1,952.35	£162.70
Band C	£2,231.25	£185.94
Band D	£2,510.16	£209.18
Band E	£3,067.97	£255.66
Band F	£3,625.79	£302.15
Band G	£4,183.60	£348.63
Band H	£5,020.32	£418.36

Who gets the money?

Band D bill in Sheffield by receiving body

Who receives it	Band D	Share
Sheffield	£2,130	85%
Other precepting bodies	£380	15%

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 **£99 above** the England average, 89 of 296 councils from the highest.

Sheffield among the England councils nearest it, Band D 2026-27



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

How does Sheffield compare? The report card

Official figures on complaints, finances, audit, pay and services for Sheffield, 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: Sheffield, 2025-26

Measure	Sheffield	For comparison
Complaints and enquiries received	234	—
Complaints and enquiries decided	182	138 in 2024-25
Detailed investigations	31	—
Upheld	25	—
Uphold rate	81%	86% for every body the Ombudsman covers; 83% for similar councils
Upheld cases where the council had already offered a satisfactory remedy	8%	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	73%	—

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.

The Housing Ombudsman, which handles complaints from council tenants, made **0** findings of severe maladministration against Sheffield City Council in 2025-26, out of 32 findings in 14 determinations. Its maladministration rate for this landlord was 63%.

Source: Housing Ombudsman Service, Annual complaints review: landlord tables, 2025-26.

How healthy are its finances?

Reserves, spending and borrowing: Sheffield

Measure	Sheffield	For comparison
Net revenue spending, 2025-26	£603.1m	—
Reserves at the end of 2025-26	£256.7m	—
Reserves as a share of net spending	43%	50% for England
Outstanding borrowing at 30 June 2026	£733.9m	—
Borrowing per home on the valuation list	£2,779	£3,447 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, 2026.

What have the auditors said?

Audit of the accounts: Sheffield

Accounts year	Status recorded by PSAA	Opinion signed
2025-26	Unsigned	Not yet
2024-25	Post backstop opinion delivered	27 March 2026

"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, 2025-26.

What are senior staff and councillors paid?

Pay and allowances: Sheffield, from the statement of accounts

Measure	2025-26	2024-25
Employees paid £50,000 or more	2,159	1,014
Councillors' allowances	£1,927,000	£1,827,000

The count is up 1,145 on the year before. 'The Council's other employees receiving more than £50,000 remuneration for the year (excluding employer's pension contributions)', shown after the senior employees table. Split into Teachers and Other. For 2025/26 the council prints totals both excluding and including Equal Pay Redress payments ('current' is the Total including Equal Pay Redress, 2,159; excluding, 1,384). 2024/25 total 1,014. The accounts describe the allowances figure as "Councillors: Basic Allowance 1,475 (2024/25 1,426); Special Responsibility Allowance 424 (372); Expenses 26 (27); 1,925 (1,825); Co-optees: Basic Allowance 2 (2); Total 1,927 (1,827) £000". These are draft accounts and may change at audit. Thresholds are not adjusted for inflation, so more staff cross them each year as pay rises.

Source: Sheffield, Statement of Accounts Unaudited For the period 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, PDF page 120. Checked 24 September 2026.

How are its services rated?

Service ratings and performance: Sheffield

Measure	Sheffield	For comparison
Children's services, Ofsted overall effectiveness	Good	3 November 2023. 73% of English councils judged good or outstanding
Adult social care, CQC assessment	Requires improvement	21 January 2026. 63% of assessed councils rated good or outstanding
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	1%	5% in England
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	3%	7% in England
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	14%	17% in England
Household waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting, 2024-25	31.0%	42.0% for England
Major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of june 2026	87.1%	91.0% for England
Non-major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	87.5%	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 Sheffield, newest first. Each links to the body that made or published it. News reports are not included.

1. 7 May 2026 Election Local election: 30 seats won Reform UK 12, Green Party 10, Liberal Democrats 5, Labour and Co-operative Party 2, Labour Party 1 Democracy Club
2. 1 April 2026 Council tax Council tax for 2026-27: Band D £2,510, up 5.1% on the year before Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
3. 27 February 2026 Audit backstop Listed by MHCLG as not meeting the audit backstop requirements for 2024-25 Draft accounts published by the deadline: yes. Audit opinion delivered by the backstop date: no. Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
4. 2 May 2024 Election Local election: 29 seats won Labour Party 8, Labour and Co-operative Party 7, Liberal Democrats 7, Green Party 6, Independent 1 Democracy Club
5. 4 May 2023 Election Local election: 29 seats won Liberal Democrats 11, Labour Party 8, Labour and Co-operative Party 6, Green Party 4 Democracy Club
6. 24 May 2022 Ombudsman Ombudsman report: upheld, special educational needs Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman public interest report, case 20-012-533. Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman
7. 5 May 2022 Election Local election: 28 seats won Labour Party 11, Liberal Democrats 9, Green Party 4, Labour and Co-operative Party 4 Democracy Club

Does the council think something here is wrong?

If you represent Sheffield 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 **17.6%** of the money Sheffield had to spend in 2025-26. The rest came from government grants (48.9%), business rates (12.2%) and fees, charges and other income (19.0%), with 2.3% taken from reserves. 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 Sheffield: parking, roads, your MP and local services, and Sheffield on the council map.

Common questions

- **How much is council tax in Sheffield?** Band D is £2,510 a year for 2026-27. Band A is £1,673 and the top band £5,020.
- **Is council tax in Sheffield higher than average?** Yes. Band D here is £99 above the England average of £2,411.

Where your council tax goes in Sheffield

Your area · Last updated 21 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/sheffield/where-it-goes/

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Key figures

£2,510.16
Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£2,089.65
Goes to Sheffield itself (83%)
As of 6 April 2026

£790.93
Largest line: adult social care
As of 28 September 2026

17.6%
Of the council's money that comes from council tax, 2025-26
As of 28 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 Sheffield 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.

Sheffield, 2025-26

Line	Net spending	Per resident	Similar councils, per resident	Per mile of road	Change
Parks and open spaces (including play areas)	£9.2m	£16	£10	—	—
Street cleaning	£7.6m	£13	£16	£6,270 (similar: £7,821)	—
Road and bridge maintenance	£57.0m	£98	£14	£46,832 (similar: £8,125)	—
Environmental, safety and routine maintenance	£24.8m	£43	£12	£20,349 (similar: £6,059)	—
Structural maintenance (resurfacing, bridges)	£32.3m	£56	£0.91	£26,483 (similar: £491)	—
Winter service (gritting)	£2.1m	£3.60	£2.38	£1,713 (similar: £1,209)	—
Street lighting (including energy)	£8.7m	£15	£11	£7,140 (similar: £6,417)	—

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

Sheffield: net spending per resident by service, 2025-26, against the median for metropolitan borough councils

Service	Per resident	Median
Education	£735	£872
Adult social care	£581	£480
Children's social care	£291	£340
Roads and transport	£119	£29
Environment and regulation	£101	£92
Public health	£71	£93
Running the council	£62	£59
Parks, leisure, libraries and culture	£47	£50
Housing (not council homes)	£46	£39
Planning and development	£46	£28

- Sheffield spent **29.7%** of its gross service spending on its own staff in 2025-26 (median for metropolitan borough councils: 34.4%); the rest went on suppliers, contractors, grants, benefits and other running costs.
- Its published payments of £500 or more came to **£1.11bn** between 2025-11 and 2026-10. These include capital and council housing spending, so they are not a share of the figures above.
- Payments we classify as consultancy and agency staff came to **9.9%** of its staff costs (median among the 3 other metropolitan borough councils whose £500 data is read: 8.2%). The two come from different sources and periods, so this is a guide to scale, not an exact share.

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 28 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 Sheffield and everything else about Sheffield.

Common questions

- **What does council tax pay for in Sheffield?** A Band D bill of £2,510.16 is split between Sheffield, Sheffield: adult social care precept, this year's increase, South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, Parish and town councils (average for the area). In proportion to spending, the largest line is adult social care, £790.93.
- **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 Sheffield

Your area · Last updated 21 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/parking/sheffield/

In 2025–26 Sheffield took **£10.3m** in parking income and spent £5.3m, a **surplus of £5.0m** against £4.9m in 2024–25 (+2%), the 61st largest of 290 councils in England. Penalty charges brought in £1.7m. Figures are from the council's own return to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Key figures

£4.99m
Parking surplus
+£0.09m (+1.9%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£10.28m
Parking income
+£0.55m (+5.7%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

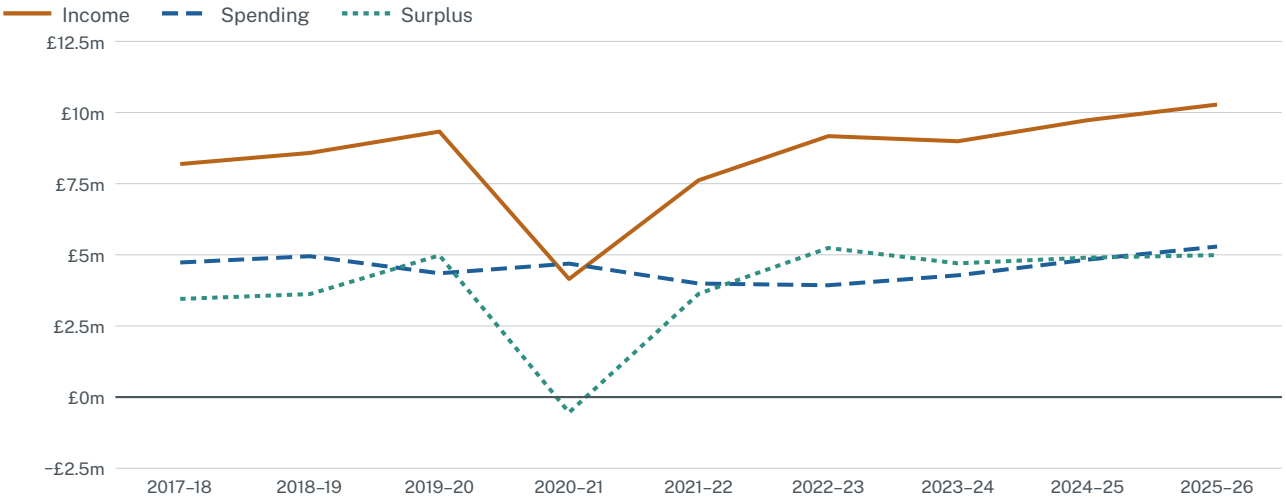
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Spending on parking
+£0.46m (+9.5%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£1.66m
Penalty charge income
+£0.02m (+1.0%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

61 of 290
Rank in England, largest surplus first
2025–26

How much has Sheffield made from parking each year?

Sheffield: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million



Sheffield: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million. Income: £8.19m in 2017–18, £10.28m in 2025–26. Spending: £4.73m in 2017–18, £5.29m in 2025–26. Surplus: £3.45m in 2017–18, £4.99m in 2025–26.

Sheffield: on-street and car park accounts

Year	On-street income	On-street spending	Car park income	Car park spending	Penalty income
2017–18	£6.30m	£3.73m	£1.88m	£1.00m	£5.99m
2018–19	£6.55m	£3.50m	£2.02m	£1.46m	£1.55m
2019–20	£6.55m	£2.28m	£2.79m	£2.07m	£1.22m
2020–21	£2.92m	£2.71m	£1.23m	£1.98m	£0.48m
2021–22	£5.55m	£2.24m	£2.06m	£1.75m	£1.06m
2022–23	£7.00m	£2.52m	£2.17m	£1.42m	£1.59m
2023–24	£6.88m	£2.69m	£2.10m	£1.60m	£1.51m
2024–25	£7.40m	£2.93m	£2.33m	£1.90m	£1.65m
2025–26	£7.80m	£3.28m	£2.48m	£2.01m	£1.66m

All figures are cash, in the council's own return. The most recent year is a first release and may be revised. Sheffield is recorded as: Met District.

What can Sheffield 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 Sheffield compare with other councils?

Sheffield among the England councils nearest it, parking surplus 2025–26



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.

Sheffield: spending over £500

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Sheffield published **161,543 payments** of £500 or more between November 2025 and October 2026, worth **£1.11bn** in all, to 4,009 suppliers. The largest total went to AMEY HALLAM HIGHWAYS LIMITED: £85.4m across 12 payments. These are the council's own published records; the gaps in them are listed below.

Key figures

£1.11bn
Paid in payments of £500 or more, latest year

161,543
Payments

4,009
Suppliers

12 of 12
Months with payments published

What the council published

1. Novpublished
2. Decpublished
3. Janpublished
4. Febpublished
5. Marpublished
6. Aprpublished
7. Maypublished
8. Junpublished
9. Julpublished
10. Augpublished
11. Septpublished
12. Octpublished

Gaps and problems in the data, as published:

- The council publishes payments over £250; those under £500 are left out here so councils compare on the same footing.
- 14.8% of payments (£33,331,371) have the supplier name withheld or redacted by the council, usually because the payee is an individual.
- 14399 credits and refunds (negative amounts, £48,667,944 in all) are included, so totals are net.

Top 50 suppliers by value

Sheffield: the 50 suppliers paid most, November 2025 to October 2026

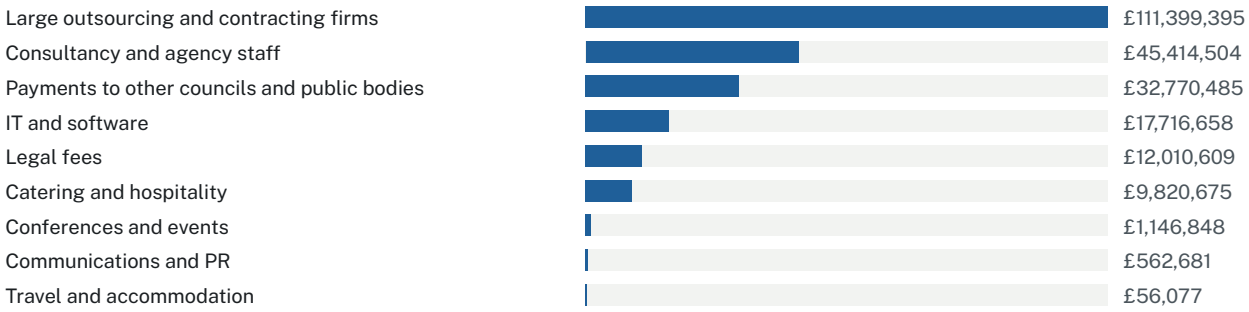
Supplier	Paid	Payments
AMEY HALLAM HIGHWAYS LIMITED	£85,356,425	12
SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE	£41,019,729	30
SHEFFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LIMITED	£35,008,910	24
Names withheld by the council	£33,331,371	23,871
SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAYORAL COMBINED AUTHORI	£30,727,561	43

Supplier	Paid	Payments
SOUTH YORKSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY	£16,381,139	24
YORKSHIRE WATER PLC	£15,781,938	26
GTCL TA GALLIFORD TRY INFRASTRUCTURE	£12,796,293	29
ESH CONSTRUCTION LTD	£12,462,980	62
PARADIGM (SHEFFIELD BSF) LIMITED	£11,828,867	59
DIMENSIONS (UK) LTD (NEW ERA HOUSING)	£11,742,590	1,758
PYRAMID SCHOOLS SHEFFIELD LTD	£11,712,165	58
WAYTHROUGH	£11,702,303	22
GATELEY PLC	£11,535,944	12
SHEFFIELD CHILDRENS HOSPITAL NHS TRUST	£11,359,684	277
ACADEMY SERVICES SHEFFIELD LTD	£10,137,350	125
REED EMPLOYMENT	£10,032,167	613
IDK SUPPORT 4 YOU LTD	£9,244,864	6,640
EQUANS REGENERATION LTD (ENGIE GROUP)	£8,949,897	338
EDF ENERGY CUSTOMERS LTD	£8,558,590	142
R G CARTER LINCOLN LTD	£8,133,724	25
SYMCA	£8,074,337	1
HEC CONTRACTING LIMITED	£8,011,764	51
EQUITIX (HOWDEN HOUSE) LTD	£7,988,795	12
MOORVILLE RESIDENTIAL	£7,516,127	816
WILLMOTT DIXON CONSTRUCTION LTD	£7,208,623	35
WATES PROPERTY SERVICES LIMITED	£6,910,322	50
TAYLOR SHAW LTD	£6,870,825	124
NEWTON CONSULTING LIMITED	£6,500,000	9
PRIORGATE LIMITED	£5,548,121	16
MEDEQUIP ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LTD	£5,360,418	12
PARKSIDE PAYROLL LIMITED DP ONLY	£5,346,556	3,417
THE SHEFFIELD COLLEGE	£5,336,603	31
PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP	£5,335,329	24
RIDER LEVETT BUCKNALL UK LTD	£5,321,417	685
BROWNE JACOBSON LLP	£5,126,934	28
MENCAP HOMECARE	£5,016,396	1,336
IBK INITIATIVES DP ONLY	£4,891,085	2,931
SHEFFIELD TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS FND TST	£4,798,939	54
DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES & LOCAL GOVER	£4,565,610	1
PENDERELS TRUST DP ONLY	£4,306,806	3,020
SLM LTD EVERYONE ACTIVE	£4,303,162	30
APOLLO TAXIS 2017 LIMITED	£4,256,120	45
COMMUNITY INTEGRATED CARE	£4,208,548	638
RE:GEN YORKSHIRE & EAST MIDLANDS LIMITED	£4,186,729	18
REED (Consultancy+)	£4,160,142	1,010
SHEFFIELD CITIZENS ADVICE AND LAW CENTRE	£4,127,077	63
AUREOS HIGHWAYS LTD	£4,108,264	14
ESLAND NORTH LTD	£4,028,155	224
PRINCIPLE SUPPORT	£4,003,206	1,055

Spending by category (our classification)

Payments this site classifies into each category from the supplier and the council's description; most payments fall into none. The rules are on the methodology page.

Sheffield: payments by category (our classification)



The supplier is another council, a police, fire or NHS body, a government department or agency, or a pension fund.

1. SHEFFIELD CHILDRENS HOSPITAL NHS TRUST: £11,359,684 (277 payments)
2. SHEFFIELD TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS FND TST: £4,798,939 (54 payments)
3. DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES & LOCAL GOVER: £4,565,610 (1 payment)
4. NHS SOUTH YORKSHIRE ICB: £2,667,496 (12 payments)
5. SOUTH WEST YORKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP NHS FOU: £1,285,205 (30 payments)
6. SHEFFIELD HEALTH PARTNERSHIP UNI NHS FT: £1,099,832 (9 payments)
7. NEXUS MULTI ACADEMY TRUST: £1,021,150 (7 payments)
8. LEEDS CITY COUNCIL: £563,422 (19 payments)
9. NEXUS MULTI ACADEMY TRUST - HILLTOP SCH: £473,450 (83 payments)
10. BRADFORD COUNCIL (HOUSING): £423,987 (22 payments)

The supplier is one of a named list of large firms that run council services under contract. A payment to one is often a routine instalment on a long contract.

1. AMEY HALLAM HIGHWAYS LIMITED: £85,356,425 (12 payments)
2. EQUANS REGENERATION LTD (ENGIE GROUP): £8,949,897 (338 payments)
3. WILLMOTT DIXON CONSTRUCTION LTD: £7,208,623 (35 payments)
4. VINCI EDUCATION (BRADFIELD) LTD: £3,801,067 (49 payments)
5. VEOLIA ES SHEFFIELD LIMITED: £3,175,396 (9 payments)
6. CAPITA BUSINESS SERVICES LTD: £2,196,899 (89 payments)
7. MITIE PFI LIMITED: £261,949 (61 payments)
8. Veolia ES Sheffield Ltd - District Energ: £133,869 (21 payments)
9. VEOLIA ES (UK) LIMITED: £91,792 (52 payments)
10. MITIE PROPERTY SERVICES UK LTD - WESTERN: £59,115 (21 payments)

The supplier is a law firm or chambers, or the council describes the payment as legal fees, counsel or court fees.

1. BROWNE JACOBSON LLP: £5,126,934 (28 payments)
2. DWF LAW LLP CLIENT ACCOUNT: £712,324 (2 payments)
3. GOWLING WLG (UK) LLP CLIENT ACCOUNT: £656,444 (7 payments)
4. Names withheld by the council: £420,354 (300 payments)
5. WAKE SMITH SOLICITORS: £394,020 (2 payments)
6. FOYS SOLICITORS: £361,538 (5 payments)
7. DWF LAW LLP: £203,524 (36 payments)
8. COATES SOLICITORS CLIENT ACCOUNT: £203,500 (3 payments)
9. ANTONY HODARI HOLDINGS: £201,775 (49 payments)

10. GOWLING WLG (UK) LLP OFFICE ACCOUNT: £186,446 (28 payments)

The supplier is a recruitment agency or consultancy on a named list, or the council describes the payment as consultancy, agency or interim staff, or professional fees.

1. REED EMPLOYMENT: £10,032,167 (613 payments)
2. NEWTON CONSULTING LIMITED: £6,500,000 (9 payments)
3. REED (Consultancy+): £4,160,142 (1010 payments)
4. RIDER LEVETT BUCKNALL UK LTD: £2,993,219 (511 payments)
5. GRANT THORNTON UK LLP: £2,541,798 (15 payments)
6. ENTEC SI: £2,488,897 (78 payments)
7. TURNER & TOWNSEND: £2,437,612 (400 payments)
8. PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP: £2,252,015 (11 payments)
9. KPMG: £1,089,348 (11 payments)
10. FAERFIELD LIMITED: £429,352 (37 payments)

The supplier is on a named list of IT and telecoms firms, or the council describes the payment as software, licences, IT, hardware, hosting or telephony.

1. SPECIALIST COMPUTER CENTRES PLC: £3,018,381 (102 payments)
2. ANS GROUP LTD: £1,284,775 (24 payments)
3. MRI SOFTWARE LIMITED: £976,427 (20 payments)
4. CONTENT GURU: £880,092 (17 payments)
5. TUNSTALL HEALTHCARE (UK) LTD: £858,096 (57 payments)
6. NEC SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS UK LTD: £816,074 (20 payments)
7. TOTALMOBILE LTD: £754,326 (20 payments)
8. CIVICA UK LTD: £689,287 (14 payments)
9. VIRGIN MEDIA PAYMENTS LIMITED: £581,811 (30 payments)
10. PHOENIX SOFTWARE LIMITED: £550,316 (22 payments)

The council describes the payment as advertising, marketing, publicity or public relations. Recruitment and statutory notices are left out.

1. ICONIC MEDIA GROUP LTD: £227,380 (332 payments)
2. WASHINGTON DIRECT MAIL LTD: £63,601 (9 payments)
3. PUSHKIN SIGNS LIMITED: £51,940 (28 payments)
4. BANNER BOX: £26,740 (23 payments)
5. B AND B PRESS (PARKGATE) LTD: £18,939 (12 payments)
6. CMS CORPORATE MAILING SOLUTIONS LIMITED: £14,860 (13 payments)
7. LIL ME ENTERTAINMENTS: £12,058 (3 payments)
8. BAUER RADIO LTD (RE: HALLAM FM): £11,424 (3 payments)
9. PSL PRINT MANAGEMENT LTD: £11,135 (6 payments)
10. OML MEDIA LTD: £10,823 (7 payments)

The council describes the payment as a conference, seminar, exhibition, event or venue hire.

1. CYCLE LEEDS LTD TA CYCLE NORTH: £379,712 (23 payments)
2. ENDEAVOUR TRAINING: £227,569 (15 payments)
3. ECOONLINE UK LIMITED: £63,826 (5 payments)
4. NOVUS TRANSFORMING LIMITED: £36,750 (7 payments)
5. Names withheld by the council: £33,682 (7 payments)
6. NCB RIP LTD: £31,300 (2 payments)
7. THE CHILDREN'S MEDIA CONFERENCE LTD: £25,000 (1 payment)
8. NORTHSTAR TRAVEL MEDIA LIMITED: £24,130 (3 payments)

9. CORAM BAAF ADOPTION & FOSTERING ACADEMY: £16,776 (2 payments)
10. KNOWLEDGE TRAIN LIMITED: £16,300 (3 payments)

The council describes the payment as travel, fares, flights, subsistence or hotels. Homeless and temporary accommodation, and home to school and client transport, are left out.

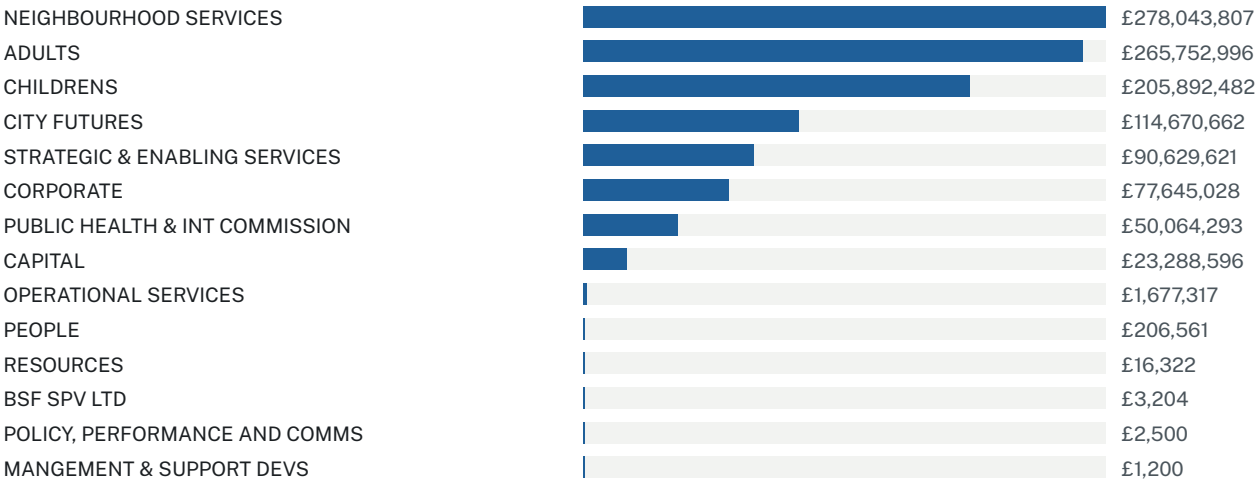
1. CLARITY TRAVEL MANAGEMENT: £17,975 (28 payments)
2. VISIT BRITAIN (BRITISH TOURIST AUTHORITY: £14,542 (5 payments)
3. WIRELESS CCTV LTD: £11,000 (1 payment)
4. ALLPAY LTD - HOMES FOR UKRAINE: £7,497 (3 payments)
5. VEEZU NORTH LIMITED: £3,463 (4 payments)
6. UNMISSABLE ENGLAND LIMITED: £1,600 (1 payment)

The council describes the payment as catering, hospitality or refreshments. School meals are left out.

1. TAYLOR SHAW LTD: £6,764,927 (101 payments)
2. ACADEMY SERVICES SHEFFIELD LTD: £1,481,691 (61 payments)
3. MULTIHOPE LIMITED TA PAYNES FOODSERVICE: £763,113 (24 payments)
4. BARNSLEY CATERING SERVICES LTD: £426,810 (54 payments)
5. HAZEL'S QUALITY CATERING LTD: £98,963 (66 payments)
6. TAYLOR & EMMET: £85,000 (1 payment)
7. CHEF'S COUNTER HOLDINGS LTD: £49,999 (5 payments)
8. PTJ CATERING LIMITED: £38,185 (11 payments)
9. FOOD WORKS SHEFFIELD LTD: £26,744 (9 payments)
10. BENTLEY WEST END SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB: £12,428 (1 payment)

Spending by the council's own service areas

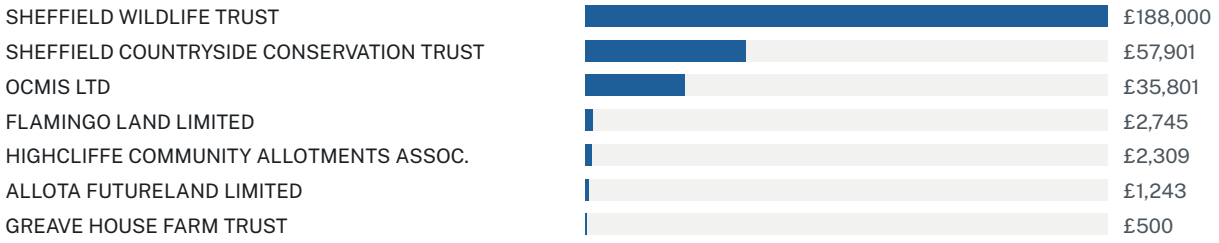
Sheffield: payments by service area, as the council labels them



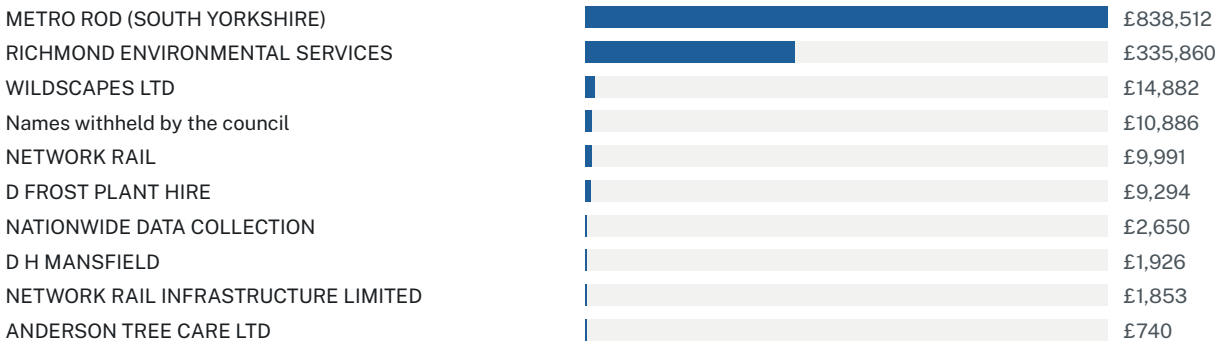
Who is paid for grounds, street cleaning, roads and bins?

The suppliers paid most for each kind of work, where the council's own labels say what the payment was for (our matching). A council that does the work with its own staff pays mostly wages, which are not in this data, so a short list here can mean the work is done in-house.

Parks and open spaces (including play areas): largest suppliers



Road and bridge maintenance: largest suppliers



Consultancy and agency against the pay bill

Payments we classify as consultancy and agency staff came to **9.9%** of Sheffield's own staff costs in its 2025-26 revenue return, against a median of 8.2% for the other metropolitan borough councils read so far. The payments and the staff costs come from different sources and periods, so this is a guide to scale.

Search every payment

Searching needs JavaScript. Every payment is in one JSON file.

Every payment, as the council published it, is in one JSON file; the search can download any selection as CSV.

What this data does and doesn't show

- It is the council's own record of payments of £500 or more. It leaves out salaries, most staff costs and many internal costs, so it is not the council's whole spending.
- Descriptions are the council's own and vary in quality; some are codes, some are blank, and some supplier names are withheld to protect individuals.
- A large payment to one supplier is often a routine instalment on a long contract that was tendered openly.
- The categories and the matching to services are this site's classification from keywords, not the council's. The rules are on the methodology page.

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Sheffield: senior pay and councillor allowances

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In its draft statement of accounts for 2025-26, Sheffield reports total remuneration of **£268,692** for its chief executive (including employer pension contributions), **24** employees paid £100,000 or more, and **£1,927,000** paid in members' allowances.

Key figures

£268,692
Chief Executive, 2025-26

24
Staff paid £100,000 or more, 2025-26

£1,927,000
Members' allowances, 2025-26

£17,601
Basic allowance per councillor, 2025-26

Chief Executive

Total remuneration of **£268,692** in 2025-26, including employer pension contributions. Excluding pension contributions: £225,792. That is up 2.7% on 2024-25 (£261,522).

From the accounts: Chief Executive – Kate Josephs. 2025/26: salary including fees and allowances 225,363; expenses allowances 429; total exc pension 225,792; pension 42,900; total inc pension 268,692. 2024/25: 218,790; 1,162; 219,952; 41,570; 261,522.

PDF pages 118-119

Employees paid £50,000 or more

2,159 employees in 2025-26, up 112.9% on 2024-25 (1,014). 24 were paid £100,000 or more, 4.1 per 100,000 residents. The median among the 4 other metropolitan borough councils collected so far is 8.0 per 100,000.

Sheffield: employees by pay band, as printed

Band	2025-26	2024-25
£50,000 to £54,999	930	429
£55,000 to £59,999	453	226
£60,000 to £64,999	361	145
£65,000 to £69,999	158	58
£70,000 to £74,999	113	38
£75,000 to £79,999	34	31
£80,000 to £84,999	35	37
£85,000 to £89,999	35	18
£90,000 to £94,999	11	12
£95,000 to £99,999	5	11
£100,000 to £104,999	11	2
£105,000 to £109,999	3	2
£110,000 to £114,999	3	1
£115,000 to £119,999	1	1
£120,000 to £124,999	0	0
£125,000 to £129,999	0	1
£130,000 to £134,999	0	1
£135,000 to £139,999	2	0
£140,000 to £144,999	2	1
£145,000 to £149,999	0	0
£150,000 to £154,999	0	0
£155,000 to £159,999	2	0

Includes schools staff. Senior officers listed separately are not in these counts. From the accounts: 'The Council's other employees receiving more than £50,000 remuneration for the year (excluding employer's pension contributions)', shown after the senior employees table. Split into Teachers and Other. For 2025/26 the council prints totals both excluding and including Equal Pay Redress payments ('current' is the Total including Equal Pay Redress, 2,159; excluding, 1,384). 2024/25 total 1,014.

Source: Sheffield, Statement of Accounts Unaudited For the period 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 (draft), PDF page 120. Read by hand; checked 2026-09-24.

Councillors' allowances

£1,927,000 in 2025-26, up 5.5% on 2024-25 (£1,827,000), or £3.33 per resident. The median among the 4 other metropolitan borough councils collected so far is £3.20 per resident.

Sheffield: allowances paid, 2025-26, from its published list

Paid as	Total
Basic allowances	£1,476,134
Special responsibility allowances	£441,122
Expenses	£9,073
All	£1,924,709

The basic allowance for each councillor is £17,601 a year (2025-26).

From the accounts: "Councillors: Basic Allowance 1,475 (2024/25 1,426); Special Responsibility Allowance 424 (372); Expenses 26 (27); 1,925 (1,825); Co-optees: Basic Allowance 2 (2); Total 1,927 (1,827) £000" (PDF page 117, note 41)

Published allowances: Sheffield City Council Members' Allowances – 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026.

What this data does and doesn't show

- Every figure is as Sheffield printed it, in accounts that have not yet been audited. Counts in the £100,000 figure are our sum of the council's bands.
- Comparisons are with the other metropolitan borough councils read so far; no national figure is published for England.
- Published notice prints only a grand TOTAL (1,924,709.34). Basic, SRA and expenses are our sums of its columns (expenses = travel, dependent carers' and subsistence columns: 6,735.16 + 239.84 + 2,098.42); they reconcile to the printed total. Basic rate is the full-year Basic Allowance (17,601.12) shown in the 2025/26 notice; the scheme document itself was not checked.

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