Westminster 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.

Westminster: your area

£1,050
Band D council tax, 2026-27
+£31 (+3.0%) vs 2025-26
As of 6 April 2026

£110.0m
Parking surplus, 2025-26
As of 6 April 2025

24.4%
Household waste recycled, 2024-25

Council tax in Westminster

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£700
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As of 6 April 2026

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

Where your council tax goes in Westminster

£1,049.55
Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£527.20
Goes to Westminster itself (50%)
As of 6 April 2026

£334.13
Largest line: policing
As of 28 September 2026

Parking income in Westminster

£110m
Parking surplus
+£19.33m (+21.3%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£154m
Parking income
+£24.70m (+19.1%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£44.16m
Spending on parking
+£5.37m (+13.8%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

Westminster: spending over £500

£1.29bn
Paid in payments of £500 or more, latest year

79,377
Payments

2,872
Suppliers

Westminster: senior pay and councillor allowances

£287,121
Chief Executive, 2025-26

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

£1,136,000
Members' allowances, 2025-26

Westminster: your area

Your area · Last updated 18 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/your-area/westminster/

Westminster sets a Band D council tax of **£1,050** for 2026-27, 295 of 296 councils in England from the highest. Police: Metropolitan Police. Fire and rescue: London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority. Health: NHS North West London 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

6%
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25

100%
Reserves as a share of spending, 2025-26

What is the council tax in Westminster?

Band D is **£1,050** a year for 2026-27, and Band A, the lowest, **£700**. That is £1,361 below the England average of £2,411, 295 of 296 in England from the highest.

Of a Band D bill, **£538** goes to Westminster.

Every band, who gets the money and how Westminster compares

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

Every payment over £500 that Westminster publishes

Westminster: senior pay and councillors' allowances

How does the council compare?

- Council tax rise this year 3.0% Lower than the England figure of 4.9%
- Council tax per head £765 Lower than the England figure of £796
- Ombudsman uphold rate 95% (18 of 19) Higher than the England figure of 86%
- Reserves as a share of net spending 100% Higher than the England figure of 50%
- Borrowing per home £4,161 Higher than the England figure of £3,474
- Accounts, 2025-26 Unsigned 6% of bodies had an opinion delivered by the backstop date
- Ofsted, children's services Outstanding 73% of English councils are good or outstanding
- CQC, adult social care Good 63% of assessed councils are good or outstanding
- A roads needing maintenance considered 6% Higher than the England figure of 5%
- Recycling rate 24.4% Lower than the England figure of 42.0%
- Major planning decisions on time 92.3% 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 Westminster

Measure	Figure	Period
A roads where maintenance should be considered	6%	2024-25
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered	12%	2024-25
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered	6%	2024-25
Household waste reused, recycled or composted	24.4%	2024-25
Major planning decisions made on time	92.3%	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 Westminster

Authority	Year	Income	Surplus
Westminster	2025-26	£154.1m	£110.0m

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 **346.4 crimes per 1,000 residents** in Westminster, excluding anti-social behaviour, against 82.5 across England.

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

Your police precept

In London the police precept is part of the Mayor's precept on your bill. It funds **Metropolitan Police**, which has £4.0bn 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 Westminster are not what its precept bought.

Metropolitan Police: funding, precept and results for the whole force

Who runs police, fire, health and ambulances here?

The bodies that serve Westminster, and their latest money

Service	Body	Latest	Per resident
Police	Metropolitan Police	£4.0bn (2026-27)	£440
Fire and rescue	London Fire Brigade	£576m (2025-26)	£63.15
Ambulance	London Ambulance Service NHS Trust	£756m (2024-25)	£82.58
NHS	NHS West and North London Integrated Care Board	£12.6bn (2028-29)	£3,482
Roads	Westminster	£10m (2025-26)	£48.97
Schools	Westminster	£143m (2026-27)	£675
Council spending	Westminster	£562m (2025-26)	£2,647
Social care	Westminster	£167m (2024-25)	£775
Housing	Westminster	£142m (2025-26)	£668
Waste and recycling	Westminster	not published	—

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

See Westminster 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 Westminster?** Band D is £1,050 a year for 2026-27. Every band.
- **Which police force covers Westminster?** Metropolitan Police police force area. Fire and rescue: London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority.

Council tax in Westminster

Your area · Last updated 18 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/westminster/

Council tax in **Westminster** for 2026-27 is **£1,050 a year for a Band D home**, £700 for Band A and £2,099 for the top band. That is £1,361 below the England average of £2,411. It ranks 295 of 296 billing areas in England. Figures are the council's own set rates.

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Rank in England, highest first
As of 6 April 2026

What is the bill for each band?

Council tax by band in Westminster, bands A to H

Band	A year	A month
Band A	£699.70	£58.31
Band B	£816.32	£68.03
Band C	£932.93	£77.74
Band D	£1,049.55	£87.46
Band E	£1,282.78	£106.90
Band F	£1,516.02	£126.34
Band G	£1,749.25	£145.77
Band H	£2,099.10	£174.92

Who gets the money?

Band D bill in Westminster by receiving body

Who receives it	Band D	Share
Westminster	£538	51%
Other precepting bodies	£512	49%

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 **£1,361 below** the England average, 295 of 296 councils from the highest.

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



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

How does Westminster compare? The report card

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

Measure	Westminster	For comparison
Complaints and enquiries received	161	—
Complaints and enquiries decided	141	116 in 2024-25
Detailed investigations	19	—
Upheld	18	—
Uphold rate	95%	86% for every body the Ombudsman covers; 88% for similar councils
Upheld cases where the council had already offered a satisfactory remedy	33%	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	68%	—

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 **2** findings of severe maladministration against City of Westminster Council in 2025-26, out of 151 findings in 62 determinations. Its maladministration rate for this landlord was 55%.

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

How healthy are its finances?

Reserves, spending and borrowing: Westminster

Measure	Westminster	For comparison
Net revenue spending, 2025-26	£266.1m	—
Reserves at the end of 2025-26	£265.3m	—
Reserves as a share of net spending	100%	50% for England; 136% in 2024-25
Outstanding borrowing at 30 June 2026	£551.0m	—
Borrowing per home on the valuation list	£4,161	£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: Westminster

Accounts year	Status recorded by PSAA	Opinion signed
2025-26	Unsigned	Not yet
2024-25	Delivered by backstop	12 November 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, 2025-26.

What are senior staff and councillors paid?

Pay and allowances: Westminster, from the statement of accounts

Measure	2025-26	2024-25
Employees paid £50,000 or more	1,717	1,543
Councillors' allowances	£1,136,000	£1,099,000

The count is up 174 on the year before. Note 10b 'Other Employees with Remuneration over £50,000': 'The Council's other employees receiving more than £50,000 remuneration for the year (excluding employer's pension contributions)'. Totals 1,717 (2025/26) and 1,543 (2024/25). Footnote: 'For 2025/26: Five employees had remuneration (basis for Note 10b) of more than £150K but their salaries (basis for Note 10a) are less than £150K. Therefore, persons are included in £150K or above in the banding note but excluded from the senior officer's remuneration note.' The note does not say whether school staff are included. The accounts describe the allowances figure as "The Council paid allowances to its members of £1.136m in 2025/26 (£1.099m in 2024/25). Allowances 1,136 (1,099); Expenses -(-) £'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: Westminster, Annual Accounts 2025/2026 (annual draft accounts 2025-26), PDF page 71, Note 10b. Checked 24 September 2026.

How are its services rated?

Service ratings and performance: Westminster

Measure	Westminster	For comparison
Children's services, Ofsted overall effectiveness	Outstanding	13 January 2025. 73% of English councils judged good or outstanding
Adult social care, CQC assessment	Good	8 November 2024. 63% of assessed councils rated good or outstanding
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	6%	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	6%	17% in England
Household waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting, 2024-25	24.4%	42.0% for England
Major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of june 2026	92.3%	91.0% for England
Non-major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	82.7%	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 Westminster, newest first. Each links to the body that made or published it. News reports are not included.

1. 7 May 2026 Election Local election: 54 seats won Conservative and Unionist Party 32, Labour Party 22 Democracy Club
2. 1 April 2026 Council tax Council tax for 2026-27: Band D £1,050, up 3.0% on the year before Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
3. 5 May 2022 Election Local election: 54 seats won Labour Party 31, Conservative and Unionist Party 23 Democracy Club

Does the council think something here is wrong?

If you represent Westminster 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 **6.1%** of the money Westminster had to spend in 2025-26. The rest came from government grants (40.1%), business rates (6.1%) and fees, charges and other income (41.3%), with 6.4% 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 Westminster: parking, roads, your MP and local services, and Westminster on the council map.

Common questions

- **How much is council tax in Westminster?** Band D is £1,050 a year for 2026-27. Band A is £700 and the top band £2,099.
- **Is council tax in Westminster higher than average?** No. Band D here is £1,361 below the England average of £2,411.

Where your council tax goes in Westminster

Your area · Last updated 18 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/westminster/where-it-goes/

A Band D council tax bill in **Westminster** is **£1,049.55** for 2026-27, split between Westminster £527.20, Westminster: adult social care precept, this year's increase £10.54, Greater London Authority (Mayor, TfL, London Fire Brigade) £176.38, Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime £334.13, Parish and town councils (average for the area) £1.30. Shared out in proportion to what each body spends, the largest single line is policing at Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime: **£334.13** of the bill. Council tax pays for 6% of the council's own spending; the rest is government grant, business rates and fees.

Key figures

£1,049.55
Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£527.20
Goes to Westminster itself (50%)
As of 6 April 2026

£334.13
Largest line: policing
As of 28 September 2026

6.1%
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 Westminster 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.

Westminster, 2025-26

Line	Net spending	Per resident	Similar councils, per resident	Per mile of road	Change
Parks and open spaces (including play areas)	£4.4m	£21	£19	—	up 8.8% on 2024-25
Street cleaning	£33.9m	£160	£30	£161,519 (similar: £25,393)	up 7.1% on 2024-25
Road and bridge maintenance	£7.6m	£36	£15	£35,971 (similar: £12,951)	up 13.6% on 2024-25
Environmental, safety and routine maintenance	£4.1m	£19	£11	£19,310 (similar: £13,707)	up 7.7% on 2024-25
Structural maintenance (resurfacing, bridges)	£3.5m	£16	£4.00	£16,662 (similar: £4,507)	up 21.2% on 2024-25
Winter service (gritting)	£412k	£1.94	£0.77	£1,962 (similar: £1,069)	up 16.4% on 2024-25
Street lighting (including energy)	£2.4m	£11	£4.60	£11,548 (similar: £4,214)	down 8.4% 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

Westminster: net spending per resident by service, 2025-26, against the median for London boroughs

Service	Per resident	Median
Education	£680	£990
Housing (not council homes)	£668	£146
Adult social care	£533	£438
Environment and regulation	£377	£104
Children's social care	£310	£291
Public health	£202	£82
Planning and development	£110	£23
Parks, leisure, libraries and culture	£80	£39
Running the council	£57	£69
Other services	£20	£15
Roads and transport	£-389.96	£1.75

- Westminster spent **24.3**% of its gross service spending on its own staff in 2025-26 (median for London boroughs: 33.7%); the rest went on suppliers, contractors, grants, benefits and other running costs.
- Its published payments of £500 or more came to **£1.29bn** between 2025-10 and 2026-09. 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 **26.3**% of its staff costs (median among the 5 other London boroughs whose £500 data is read: 12.6%). 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 Westminster and everything else about Westminster.

Common questions

- **What does council tax pay for in Westminster?** A Band D bill of £1,049.55 is split between Westminster, Westminster: adult social care precept, this year's increase, Greater London Authority (Mayor, TfL, London Fire Brigade), Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, Parish and town councils (average for the area). In proportion to spending, the largest line is policing, £334.13.
- **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 Westminster

Your area · Last updated 18 November 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/parking/westminster/

In 2025–26 Westminster took **£154m** in parking income and spent £44.2m, a **surplus of £110m** against £90.6m in 2024–25 (+21%), the largest of 290 councils in England. Penalty charges brought in £69.5m. Figures are from the council's own return to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Key figures

£110m
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+£19.33m (+21.3%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£154m
Parking income
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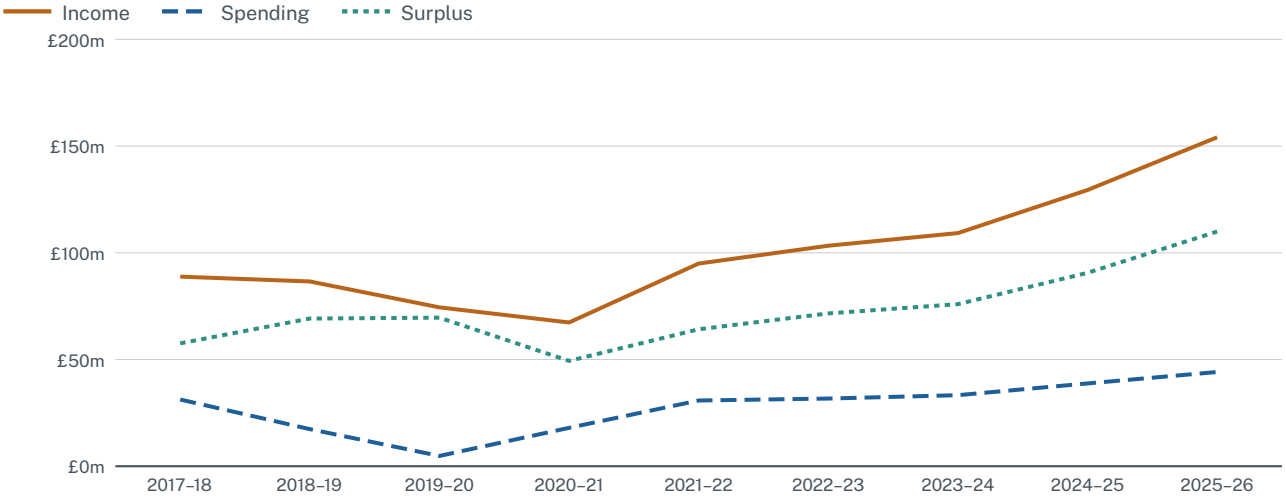
£44.16m
Spending on parking
+£5.37m (+13.8%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£69.51m
Penalty charge income
+£20.73m (+42.5%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

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

How much has Westminster made from parking each year?

Westminster: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million



Westminster: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million. Income: £88.83m in 2017–18, £154.12m in 2025–26. Spending: £31.25m in 2017–18, £44.16m in 2025–26. Surplus: £57.58m in 2017–18, £109.95m in 2025–26.

Westminster: on-street and car park accounts

Year	On-street income	On-street spending	Car park income	Car park spending	Penalty income
2017–18	£88.83m	£31.25m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£18.79m
2018–19	£86.57m	£17.38m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£17.23m
2019–20	£74.43m	£4.82m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£0.00m
2020–21	£67.36m	£17.99m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£12.47m
2021–22	£94.97m	£30.80m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£29.69m
2022–23	£103m	£31.71m	£0.05m	£0.00m	£36.46m
2023–24	£109m	£33.29m	£0.05m	£0.00m	£40.57m
2024–25	£129m	£38.79m	£0.05m	£0.00m	£48.78m
2025–26	£154m	£44.16m	£0.00m	£0.00m	£69.51m

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

What can Westminster 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 Westminster compare with other councils?

Westminster 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.

Westminster: spending over £500

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Westminster published **79,377 payments** of £500 or more between October 2025 and September 2026, worth **£1.29bn** in all, to 2,872 suppliers. The largest total went to GENERAL: £113.9m across 2553 payments. These are the council's own published records; the gaps in them are listed below.

Key figures

£1.29bn
Paid in payments of £500 or more, latest year

79,377
Payments

2,872
Suppliers

12 of 12
Months with payments published

What the council published

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

Gaps and problems in the data, as published:

- 10.3% of payments (£29,820,209) have the supplier name withheld or redacted by the council, usually because the payee is an individual.
- 8% of payments have no description or expense type.

Top 50 suppliers by value

Westminster: the 50 suppliers paid most, October 2025 to September 2026

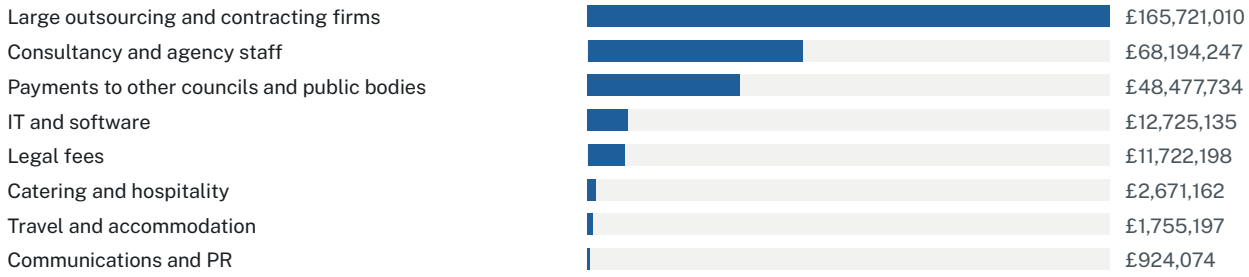
Supplier	Paid	Payments
GENERAL	£113,855,211	2,553
Veolia Environmental Services	£80,011,457	265
F.M Conway Ltd	£61,047,096	2,551
Connect Lettings & Management Ltd	£55,224,745	29
Axis Europe Plc	£32,555,205	674
Morgan Sindall Property Services	£30,680,304	2,006
Names withheld by the council	£29,820,209	8,153
Willmott Dixon Construction Limited	£25,738,938	33

Supplier	Paid	Payments
Lovell Partnerships Ltd	£21,686,570	17
Transport For London	£21,118,624	19
Stef & Philips Ltd	£20,622,706	49
GEM Environmental Building	£17,999,519	1,113
Marston Holdings Ltd	£17,848,511	99
Matrix SCM Ltd	£16,788,761	99
Marsh Ltd	£12,553,708	26
Royal Borough of Kensington &	£12,105,649	254
Willmott Dixon Holdings Limited	£11,546,675	20
Royal Borough of Kensington and Che	£11,144,346	86
Westminster Community Homes Ltd	£11,131,402	178
St Augustines CE High School	£10,906,964	48
New West End Company	£10,817,563	18
Barrie Bookkeeping & Payroll	£10,633,256	4,463
A J Bush Ltd	£10,355,872	22
Wates Construction Ltd	£10,324,157	16
OYO Technology & Hospitality (UK) L	£10,085,015	116
MCLAREN CONSTRUCTION (REGENERATION)	£9,290,171	14
Notting Hill Genesis	£8,932,709	23
Care UK Community Partnerships Ltd	£8,611,522	655
Pinnacle Housing	£8,451,317	290
Capita Business Services Ltd	£8,447,507	58
Residential Management Group	£8,321,756	142
College Park School	£8,063,000	79
Continental Landscapes Ltd	£7,389,098	389
Eventay Ltd	£7,216,002	266
CBRE Managed Services Ltd	£7,208,156	84
EDF Energy Customers PLC	£6,709,877	164
Turning Point Services Ltd	£6,674,152	35
Theori Housing Management	£6,550,169	66
Stef&Philips Corporate Ltd	£6,427,635	29
Single Homeless Project	£6,269,227	82
HM Revenue & Customs (Stamp duty)	£6,037,289	150
United Living (South) Ltd	£5,893,900	78
Heart Of London Business Alliance	£5,851,311	39
Ormiston Academies Trust	£5,777,199	28
Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee School	£5,626,520	47
Central London Community	£5,625,127	44
London Care Ltd	£5,341,294	2,532
Barrow Hill Junior School	£5,285,100	65
Places For People Group Ltd	£5,188,827	56
Effectable Construction Services	£5,188,507	811

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.

Westminster: 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. Royal Borough of Kensington &: £12,105,649 (254 payments)
2. Royal Borough of Kensington and Che: £11,144,346 (86 payments)
3. HM Revenue & Customs (Stamp duty): £6,037,289 (150 payments)
4. Royal Borough of Kensington and: £3,613,186 (19 payments)
5. London Borough Of Hammersmith &: £3,275,736 (37 payments)
6. Hampshire County Council: £3,070,220 (5 payments)
7. Cnwl Nhs Foundation Trust (Use: £2,369,306 (24 payments)
8. Central & North West London Nhs Tru: £2,044,677 (75 payments)
9. City of Westminster Pension Fund: £1,002,334 (16 payments)
10. London Borough Of Camden (Use: £760,349 (18 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. Veolia Environmental Services: £80,011,457 (265 payments)
2. Morgan Sindall Property Services: £30,680,304 (2006 payments)
3. Willmott Dixon Construction Limited: £25,738,938 (33 payments)
4. Willmott Dixon Holdings Limited: £11,546,675 (20 payments)
5. Capita Business Services Ltd: £8,447,507 (58 payments)
6. Continental Landscapes Ltd: £7,389,098 (389 payments)
7. OCS GROUP UK LIMITED: £1,089,410 (23 payments)
8. Agilisys Ltd: £814,300 (15 payments)
9. Interserve FS (UK) Ltd: £1,738 (1 payment)
10. Compass Contract Services UK: £999 (1 payment)

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

1. Bevan Brittan Llp: £5,031,559 (74 payments)
2. GENERAL: £2,525,570 (332 payments)
3. Trowers & Hamlins LLP: £1,012,034 (39 payments)
4. Streathers Solicitors LLP: £547,234 (1 payment)
5. HMCTS: £392,873 (1 payment)
6. Sharpe Pritchard: £290,398 (72 payments)
7. New Court Chambers: £172,910 (127 payments)
8. 4-5 Grays Inn Square: £170,449 (86 payments)
9. Cornerstone Barristers: £160,436 (48 payments)
10. Names withheld by the council: £157,694 (114 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. Matrix SCM Ltd: £16,788,761 (99 payments)

2. Axis Europe Plc: £15,688,122 (171 payments)
3. GENERAL: £4,861,002 (14 payments)
4. United Living (South) Ltd: £4,512,887 (55 payments)
5. Atkins Ltd: £2,653,065 (138 payments)
6. F.M Conway Ltd: £2,259,191 (24 payments)
7. REED IN PARTNERSHIP LIMITED: £2,223,562 (20 payments)
8. Norman Rourke Pryme Limited: £1,589,156 (182 payments)
9. KELTBRAY BUILT ENVIRONMENT LIMITED: £1,420,317 (8 payments)
10. Marsh Ltd: £1,397,063 (9 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. Phoenix Software Ltd: £2,138,537 (19 payments)
2. Farthest Gate Limited: £1,626,812 (15 payments)
3. MRI Software EMEA Ltd: £911,234 (20 payments)
4. Virgin Media Business: £572,450 (37 payments)
5. ALTIMETRIK UK LTD: £497,153 (5 payments)
6. Idox Software Ltd: £484,435 (23 payments)
7. Trustmarque Solutions Ltd: £462,924 (32 payments)
8. Softcat Plc: £421,095 (11 payments)
9. Bt Plc (Use 3000715): £418,346 (28 payments)
10. British Telecom (Openreach): £407,090 (24 payments)

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

1. Starfish Search Limited: £127,600 (12 payments)
2. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CAR: £120,688 (3 payments)
3. PEOPLESCOUT LIMITED: £74,421 (36 payments)
4. Bay Media Ltd: £61,890 (11 payments)
5. Social Communications Group Ltd: £45,300 (4 payments)
6. GOODMAN MASSON LTD: £35,872 (5 payments)
7. Westco Trading ltd: £35,473 (21 payments)
8. THINKBDW Ltd: £30,281 (4 payments)
9. OH BEHAVE LTD: £29,530 (13 payments)
10. The Improvement & Development: £28,000 (1 payment)

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.

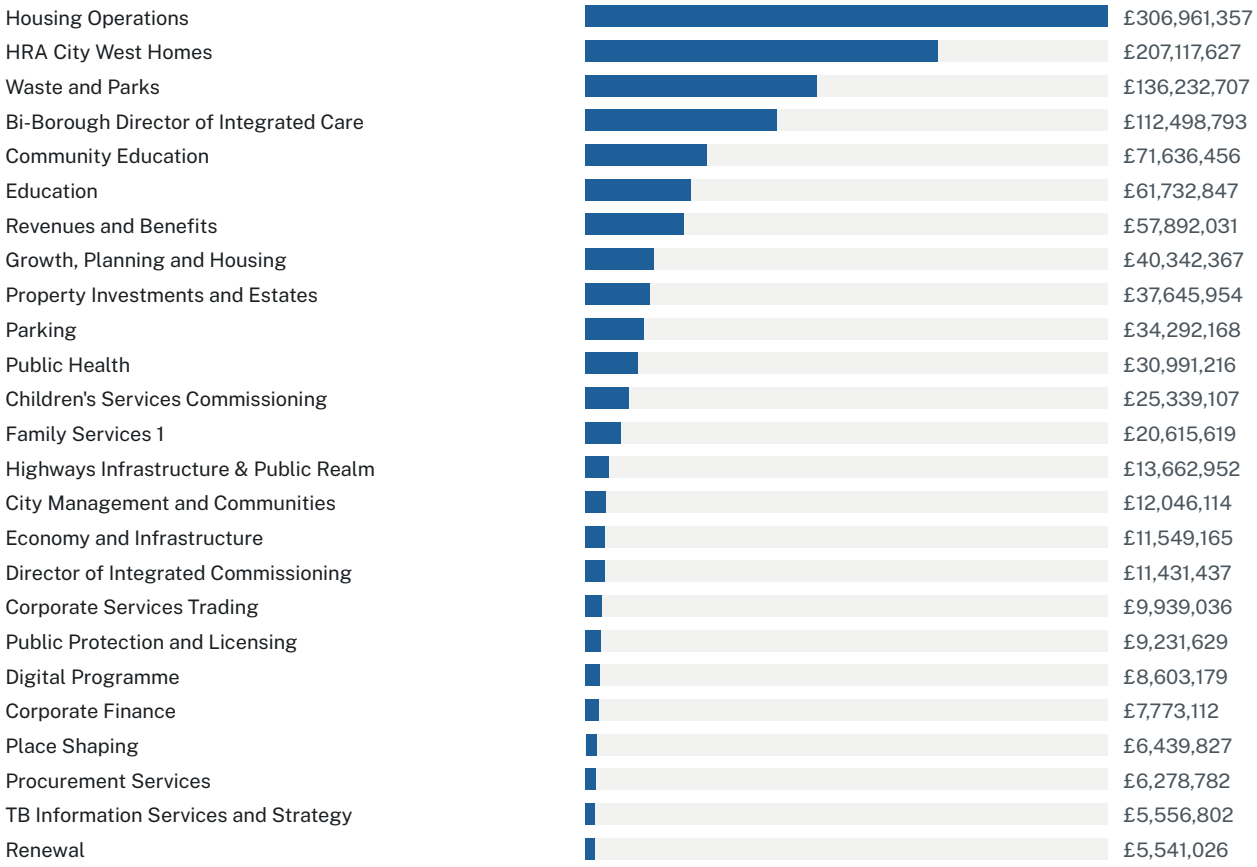
1. Names withheld by the council: £896,887 (716 payments)
2. AA ACCOMMODATION SERVICES LTD: £321,601 (7 payments)
3. GENERAL: £198,760 (63 payments)
4. Eventay Ltd: £195,384 (14 payments)
5. City of London: £40,000 (1 payment)
6. Gastonia Coaches Ltd: £22,657 (15 payments)
7. Beam Up Ltd: £15,000 (1 payment)
8. Working Transitions: £14,868 (3 payments)
9. Q Park Ltd: £12,595 (3 payments)
10. OYO Technology & Hospitality (UK) L: £4,782 (2 payments)

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

1. OYO Technology & Hospitality (UK) L: £2,333,143 (47 payments)
2. BFS Group Ltd T/A Bidfood: £53,444 (43 payments)
3. Greater London Authority (Main: £49,565 (1 payment)
4. Care Premier Ltd: £42,307 (5 payments)
5. Names withheld by the council: £30,100 (46 payments)
6. Theori Housing Management: £29,976 (3 payments)
7. London Business School: £16,630 (4 payments)
8. Benugo Ltd: £16,547 (1 payment)
9. Nablodge Ltd: £10,496 (2 payments)
10. Sands Catering Ltd: £10,332 (11 payments)

Spending by the council's own service areas

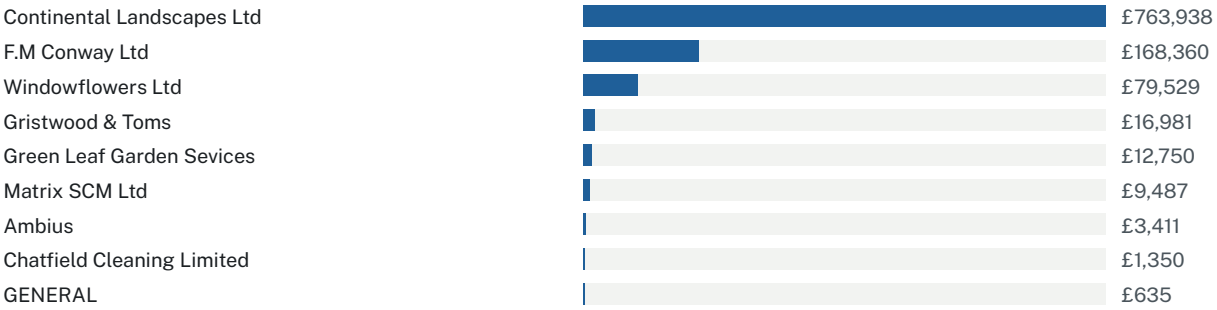
Westminster: payments by service area, as the council labels them



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.

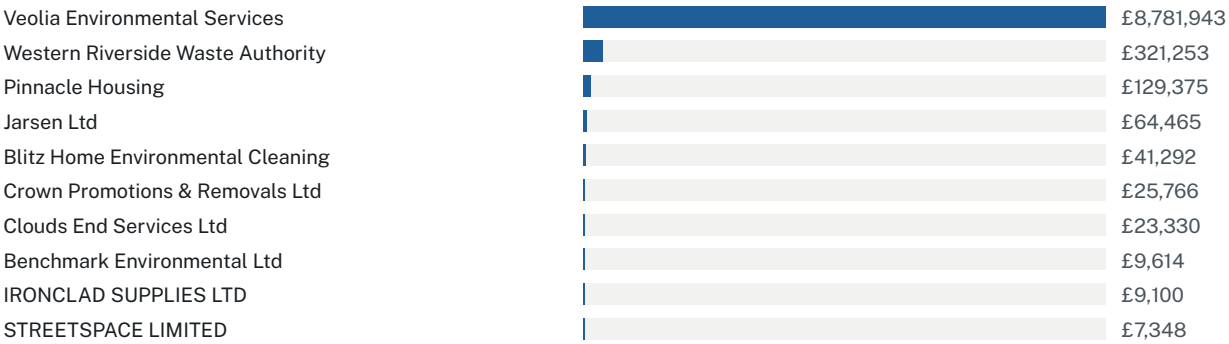
Parks and open spaces (including play areas): largest suppliers



Road and bridge maintenance: largest suppliers



Waste collection: largest suppliers



Consultancy and agency against the pay bill

Payments we classify as consultancy and agency staff came to **26.3%** of Westminster's own staff costs in its 2025-26 revenue return, against a median of 12.6% for the other London boroughs 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.

Sources

Westminster, spending over £500, published here. Licence as the council states it: not stated. Checked 2026-09-24; files read 2026-11-18.

- Q2 2026/27 - Expenditure over £500 (2026-07), file dated 2026-11-13: 20,125 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-11-18.

- Q1 2026/27 - Expenditure over £500 (2026-04), file dated 2026-09-15: 22,877 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-11-18.
- Q4 2025/26 - Expenditure over £500 (2026-01), file dated 2026-05-12: 22,339 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-11-18.
- Q3 2025/26 - Expenditure over £500 (2025-10), file dated 2026-02-02: 14,036 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-11-18.
- Q2 2025/26 - Expenditure over £500 (2025-07), file dated 2025-10-30: 21,503 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-11-18.

Westminster: senior pay and councillor allowances

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In its draft statement of accounts for 2025-26, Westminster reports total remuneration of **£287,121** for its chief executive (including employer pension contributions), **100** employees paid £100,000 or more, and **£1,136,000** paid in members' allowances.

Key figures

£287,121
Chief Executive, 2025-26

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

£1,136,000
Members' allowances, 2025-26

£10,846
Basic allowance per councillor, 2025-26

Chief Executive

Total remuneration of **£287,121** in 2025-26, including employer pension contributions. That is down 1.4% on 2024-25 (£291,218). The median among the 2 other London boroughs collected so far is £267,957.

From the accounts: Chief Executive - S Love. 2025/26: salary, fees and allowances 245,823; pension 41,298; total 287,121. 2024/25: salary 238,200; pension 40,018; election expenses 13,000; total 291,218. Total excluding pension is not printed.

PDF pages 67 and 69, Note 10a

Employees paid £50,000 or more

1,717 employees in 2025-26, up 11.3% on 2024-25 (1,543). 100 were paid £100,000 or more, 47.1 per 100,000 residents. The median among the 5 other London boroughs collected so far is 21.8 per 100,000.

Westminster: employees by pay band, as printed

Band	2025-26	2024-25
£50,000 to £54,999	429	444
£55,000 to £59,999	321	283
£60,000 to £64,999	221	255
£65,000 to £69,999	259	155
£70,000 to £74,999	138	149
£75,000 to £79,999	103	45
£80,000 to £84,999	44	35
£85,000 to £89,999	39	45
£90,000 to £94,999	38	31
£95,000 to £99,999	25	24
£100,000 to £104,999	31	24
£105,000 to £109,999	23	11
£110,000 to £114,999	9	7
£115,000 to £119,999	7	6
£120,000 to £124,999	5	6
£125,000 to £129,999	3	8
£130,000 to £134,999	6	4
£135,000 to £139,999	4	5
£140,000 to £144,999	5	1
£145,000 to £149,999	2	4
£150,000 to £154,999	5	1

Senior officers listed separately are not in these counts. From the accounts: Note 10b 'Other Employees with Remuneration over £50,000': 'The Council's other employees receiving more than £50,000 remuneration for the year (excluding employer's pension contributions)'. Totals 1,717 (2025/26) and 1,543 (2024/25). Footnote: 'For 2025/26: Five employees had remuneration (basis for Note 10b) of more than £150K but their salaries (basis for Note 10a) are less than £150K. Therefore, persons are included in £150K or above in the banding note but excluded from the senior officer's remuneration note.' The note does not say whether school staff are included.

Source: Westminster, Annual Accounts 2025/2026 (annual draft accounts 2025-26) (draft), PDF page 71, Note 10b. Read by hand; checked 2026-09-24.

Councillors' allowances

£1,136,000 in 2025-26, up 3.4% on 2024-25 (£1,099,000), or £5.35 per resident. The median among the 5 other London boroughs collected so far is £3.51 per resident.

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

Paid as	Total
Basic allowances	£593,235
Special responsibility allowances	£537,139
Expenses	not printed
All	£1,129,970

The basic allowance for each councillor is £10,846 a year (2025-26).

From the accounts: "The Council paid allowances to its members of £1.136m in 2025/26 (£1.099m in 2024/25). Allowances 1,136 (1,099); Expenses - (-) £'000" (PDF page 73, Note 10e)

Published allowances: Members Allowances Paid: 2025-2026.

What this data does and doesn't show

- Every figure is as Westminster 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 London boroughs read so far; no national figure is published for England.
- Published 2025-2026 list (54 members; columns Basic, Special Responsibility, Overall Annual Total) prints no totals; figures are our column sums. In one row the printed Overall Annual Total is £404.20 less than Basic plus SRA; the printed total is used. No expenses column is published. The 2025/26 scheme states 'A Basic Allowance of £10,846 pa from 1 April 2025 will be paid to every' member; the paid list shows 11,193.12 basic for a full year, which the documents read do not reconcile (the accounts mention a 2.5% increase in line with the NJC staff award).

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