

Your Council, Your Money

Mole Valley District Council would like your input in planning budgets over the next few years. You can have your say by completing a short online survey by Monday 11 November 2019.

Councillor Paul Kennedy, Cabinet Member for Finance and Organisation, said: “In the future, we expect to see further reductions in funding from central government to support services to residents. We would like your input in considering how to balance our future budgets.

“In previous years, Mole Valley District Council (MVDC) has chosen to maintain services while seeking to improve efficiency through joint working and outsourcing, increasing commercial income, and increasing council tax up to the referendum threshold in order to protect its council tax base for future years.

There are three main ways that MVDC's budget can be balanced:

- cutting costs, by reducing discretionary spending on things such as our environment, antisocial behaviour, or community grants
- increasing commercial income, by raising the level of fees and charges
- increasing its share of council tax by up to 2% (the referendum threshold)

“We are seeking views from residents to determine which of the above should be a priority for balancing the budget, if there were further significant reductions in central government funding. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us.”

Complete the survey by visiting www.molevalley.gov.uk/budgetplanning. Comments must be submitted online by **Monday 11 November 2019**.

Notes

This consultation does not cover services provided by Surrey Police or Surrey County Council such as children's services, adult social care services and highways. The council tax element payable for these services is much higher than for the MVDC's own services.