

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO COUNCIL

30 NOVEMBER 2016

REPORT OF THE SECTION 151 OFFICER

2017-18 COUNCIL TAX BASE

1. Purpose of Report.

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Council with details of the council tax base and estimated collection rate for 2017-18.

2. Connection to Corporate Plan

- 2.1 The council tax base determines the amount of council tax which can be raised to fund the Council's budget. The budget strategy is an integral part of the Corporate Planning process.

3. Background.

- 3.1 Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended), Council is required to set the tax base upon which council tax is levied by the authority and other precepting bodies. This information is required by the Welsh Government to allocate the Revenue Support Grant (RSG) to local authorities and by the Council to calculate the council tax required to fund the 2017-18 budget.

4. Current situation / proposal.

- 4.1 The estimated council tax base for 2017-18 is 53,835.72 and the estimated collection rate is 98%. The net council tax base is, therefore, 52,759.01.
- 4.2 The council tax element of the Council's budget requirement will be based on the net council tax base of 52,759.01. This base is also used by precepting authorities in calculating their precepts. Community councils base their precepts on the tax base for each community area and details of these are shown in Appendix A.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.

- 5.1 The council tax base is set in accordance with the Policy Framework and Budget Procedure Rules.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

- 6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

7. Financial Implications.

- 7.1 None arising from this report.

8. Recommendation.

8.1 Council is recommended:

- to approve the council tax base and collection rate for 2017-18 as shown in paragraph 4.1 of this report
- to approve the tax bases for the community areas set out in Appendix A. .

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Background documents

None other than identified within the report.

Estimated County Borough Tax Base 2017-18

Community Council Area	Total Tax Base	Estimated Collection Percentage	Net Tax Base
Brackla	4259.42	98%	4174.23
Bridgend	5916.97	98%	5798.63
Cefn Cribbwr	544.82	98%	533.92
Coity Higher	3228.03	98%	3163.47
Cornelly	2625.50	98%	2572.99
Coychurch Higher	342.86	98%	336.00
Coychurch Lower	669.78	98%	656.39
Garw	2270.42	98%	2225.01
Laleston	4981.93	98%	4882.29
Llangynwyd Lower	174.63	98%	171.14
Llangynwyd Middle	1053.44	98%	1032.37
Maesteg	5625.82	98%	5513.30
Merthyr Mawr	150.28	98%	147.28
Newcastle Higher	1703.31	98%	1669.24
Ogmore Vale	2588.30	98%	2536.53
Pencoed	3484.78	98%	3415.09
Porthcawl	8106.22	98%	7944.10
Pyle	2535.05	98%	2484.35
St Brides Minor	2252.99	98%	2207.93
Ynysawdre	1321.17	98%	1294.75
Total County Borough	53835.72	98%	52759.01