

Tell Us What You Think: Bradford Council's Budget Plans for 2026-27

Bradford Council needs to save money. It is changing how it works to spend less and still give people good services. The goal is to be in a better financial position by 2030.

In 2024-25, the Council saved £46m. It plans to save another £44m in 2025-26. These savings came from working smarter and using resources better.

Next year, the Council wants to save £60.6m. In line with other councils, next year this will include raising Council Tax by 2.99% and the Social Care Precept by 2%. This will mean Council Tax bills will increase by 4.99%. You can read more about these plans in a report on the Bradford Council website. The website also explains how the plans might affect different groups of people.

Some of the savings - £9.8m - are open for public feedback. This means you can share your views before final decisions are made. Other plans have already been consulted on.

Bradford Council's Executive wants to hear from you.

Please send your feedback by 11:59pm on Tuesday, 16 December 2025.
Your views will help the Council decide what to do.

Your relationship to Bradford

Q1 Do you live in the Bradford district?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q2 Do you work or study in the Bradford district?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Please tell us whether you agree, disagree or are unsure about each of the proposals on which your feedback is being sought.

Q3 Fees and Charges £4.0m

Raising fees and charges by six percent to keep up with rising costs and help balance the budget.

Do you agree with this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know / Unsure

Q3a Please use the box below to provide any comments you would like to make about this proposal.

Q4 Children's Service Savings £0.6m

Removing three vacant posts, spending less on legal services, and adjusting pension contributions to reflect the declining number of recipients.

Do you agree with this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know / Unsure

Q4a Please use the box below to provide any comments you would like to make about this proposal.

Q5 Children's Services, Home to School Transport and Key Demands £1.2m

Reducing costs by placing children in care into nearby schools, encouraging different ways to travel to school, asking parents of eligible children aged 16 or over to contribute more towards transport costs, and improving online systems.

Do you agree with this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know / Unsure

Q5a Please use the box below to provide any comments you would like to make about this proposal.

Q6 Adult Social Care Transforming the Service Offer £1.8m

Through redesigning services and the workforce to improve care and reduce costs.

Do you agree with this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know / Unsure

Q6a Please use the box below to provide any comments you would like to make about this proposal.

Q7 Adult Social Care Reablement £2.2m

Expanding the Adult Social Care Reablement Home Fast Assessment Team (HFAST) to help more people after hospital stays, to include the HFAST assessment in community referrals and care reviews, and by supporting unpaid carers.

Do you agree with this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know / Unsure

Q7a Please use the box below to provide any comments you would like to make about this proposal.

Comments

Q8 Please use the space below to tell us about anything else you would like the Council to consider before it makes its final budget proposals 2026-27decisions?

About you

Q9 What is your full post code? *Example BD1 1NN*

Q10 Please state your age category.

- | | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| ☐ 18 - 24 | ☐ 55 - 64 |
| ☐ 25 - 34 | ☐ 65 - 74 |
| ☐ 35 - 44 | ☐ 75+ |
| ☐ 45 - 54 | ☐ Prefer not to say |

Q11 Do you consider yourself as having a disability?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Prefer not to say

Q12 Which of the following options best describes your gender identity?

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|------------------------------------|---|
| ☐ Male | ☐ Non-binary |
| ☐ Female | ☐ Other |
| ☐ Trans Male | ☐ Prefer not to say |
| ☐ Trans Female | |

Q13 Which of the following options best describes your sexual orientation?

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| ☐ Straight / Heterosexual | ☐ Prefer not to say |
| ☐ Gay or lesbian | ☐ Other - Please state below |
| ☐ Bi Sexual | |

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Q14 Which of the following options best describes your race, ethnic or cultural origin?

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| ☐ White English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British | ☐ Mixed white and black Caribbean |
| ☐ White Irish | ☐ Mixed white and black African |
| ☐ White Gypsy or Irish Traveller | ☐ Mixed white and Asian |
| ☐ Any other white background | ☐ Any other mixed ethnic background |
| ☐ Asian / Asian British Indian | ☐ African |
| ☐ Asian / Asian British Pakistani | ☐ Caribbean |
| ☐ Asian / Asian British Bangladeshi | ☐ Any other black / African / Caribbean background |
| ☐ Asian / Asian British Chinese | ☐ Prefer not to say |
| ☐ Any other Asian background | |

Thank you for completing this consultation.

You can send feedback by post, free of charge, as outlined below:

- 1 - Put your completed form in an envelope.
- 2 - On the FRONT of the envelope – please write

Freepost Bradford Council

ONLY. This must be all in one line and in the middle of the envelope.

- 3 - On the BACK of the envelope – please write

Budget consultation

(and nothing else).