

Local Government Settlement 2025/26

#BUDGETREALITY

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REVENUE FUNDING for 2025/26

Revenue funding announced for 25/26:	£14,258.1m
Revenue funding provided for 24/25:	£13,389.1m*
Cash increase presented as:	£869.0m
Uncommitted cash increase:	£289.3m
<i>*finance circular 8/23 + £144m Council Tax Freeze</i>	

Scottish Government Commitments 24/25	£m
Restoration of GRG cut	62.7
LG Pay 24/25	77.5
Teachers Pay 24/25	43
Teachers Pensions	86.2
Real Living Wage 24/25 for ELC and Childrens Social Care	35.9
Council Tax Freeze (increase following publication of draft budget)	3.3
Total	£308.6
Already committed for 25/26	£m
Real Living Wage 25/26 for Adult Social Care, ELC and Childrens Social Care	147.8
Baselined: Children and Young People Community Mental Wellbeing Services	15
Additional Support for Learning	28
Teacher Numbers	41
Free Schools Meals – SCP P6/7 expansion (additional)	15
Free Personal Nursing Care	10
Minor in-year transfer adjustments	-0.8
Additional DHP	6.5
Inter Islands (Ferries) Specific Grant	8.6
Total	£271.3
TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDING	£579.7
TOTAL UNCOMMITTED FUNDING	£289.3

THE BUDGET REALITY IS THAT THERE IS £289.3m of ADDITIONAL UNCOMMITTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORE REVENUE FUNDING

CAPITAL FUNDING for 2025/26

Capital funding announced for 25/26:	£777.1m
Capital funding provided for 24/25*:	£638m
Cash increase presented as:	£139.1
Cash increase:	£48.1m
<i>*finance circular 8/23</i>	

Already committed for 25/26	£m
£26m flooding and £5m nature restoration (reinstated following LG Pay 24/25)	31
Climate Emergency Fund	40
SPT Specific Grant	12.4
VDLF Specific Grant	2.6
Inter Islands (Ferries)	20
Play Parks	25
FSM capital 24/25	-40
Total	£91
TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDING	£91
TOTAL UNCOMMITTED FUNDING	£48.1

THE BUDGET REALITY IS THAT THIS AN INCREASE OF £48.1m
UNCOMMITTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL FUNDING