

Q2 If you have chosen Option 3 and would prefer a different percentage reduction than those proposed, please comment below, with the rate and reasons:

Answered: 68 Skipped: 525

#	Responses	Date
1	It is ridiculous the amount we have to pay already, you cannot justify a rise in payment from the most vulnerable & disadvantaged customers/tenants in your borough - it is a disgrace, you should be eternally embarrassed	11/30/2016 2:13 PM
2	I am a single mum to two children and work part time, if I have to pay more it will not be worth working, it is hard enough being disabled without the worry of paying my bills.	11/30/2016 2:09 PM
3	None of the above options. I believe contributions to council tax should be greatly reduced as suicide and mental health are connected with poverty - which the above options increase	11/30/2016 1:52 PM
4	None of the above paying more than the current rate of payment for this reason I would like to see a total of £10-£20 pounds monthly. Should I like this action I feel it would not stop poverty and a rise of footfall	11/30/2016 1:50 PM
5	N/A	11/30/2016 12:52 PM
6	Least worst option. Kettering has one of the highest council taxes for those on CTS	11/30/2016 12:51 PM
7	Options , none of the above	11/30/2016 12:50 PM
8	None of the above options Why is it so high - much higher than Corby	11/30/2016 12:49 PM
9	I do not agree with the above as I don't think its fair when Corby only have to pay 8.5% towards the council tax. I had a struggle paying the last amount of council tax. I would like to see a reduction in the council tax	11/30/2016 12:47 PM
10	None of the above options Already highest charges in the country - a complete rip off	11/30/2016 12:45 PM
11	None of the above options 0 % wold be my preference	11/30/2016 12:42 PM
12	None of the above, I would choose another option of 0%	11/30/2016 12:41 PM
13	None of the above, if there was an option 5 0% this would be my preference	11/30/2016 12:40 PM
14	None of the above, as we pay the highest council tax in the country	11/30/2016 12:39 PM
15	None of the above, would suggest a 5th option 0%	11/30/2016 12:37 PM
16	None of the above options, its already the highest in the country	11/30/2016 12:35 PM
17	None, 0% should be applied, you, shouldn't be penalised because of being disabled	11/30/2016 12:34 PM
18	None of the above options	11/30/2016 12:33 PM
19	None of the above. I would like to see a reduction in contributions by benefit receivers	11/30/2016 12:32 PM
20	None of the above options	11/30/2016 12:31 PM
21	None of the above options It needs reducing not increasing	11/30/2016 12:30 PM
22	None of the above	11/30/2016 12:29 PM
23	I still feel that option 4 is the best of a terrible choice	11/30/2016 12:02 PM
24	100%	11/28/2016 3:33 PM
25	As long as income allowed before deductions is made clear! There should be incentives to encourage work on increasing basis, i.e cross over periods	11/28/2016 2:43 PM
26	Wont be able to pay it. Will create more work for council	11/28/2016 2:04 PM
27	Will be too hard for people to pay	11/28/2016 2:01 PM
28	Cant afford it as it is	11/28/2016 2:01 PM
29	Make them all pay - might push them back into working	11/28/2016 1:59 PM

30	How will people afford it? Things will only get worse	11/28/2016 1:58 PM
31	Cant pay as it is	11/28/2016 1:56 PM
32	If it has to change or increase go to 50% people will struggle with it being too high	11/28/2016 1:55 PM
33	Keep it the same- uncertainty- leaving EU	11/28/2016 1:54 PM
34	Make People pay!	11/28/2016 1:52 PM
35	Keep it the same or lower it	11/28/2016 1:50 PM
36	Don't rely understand, but for people who actually need help you are making it very hard.	11/28/2016 1:49 PM
37	Should be lower for disabled customers	11/28/2016 1:41 PM
38	Ease the strain on public sector benefit bill	11/28/2016 11:43 AM
39	20-30% absolute maximum	11/25/2016 3:47 PM
40	I think the council should pay at least 90% as people who aren't working like myself have to ask relatives to pay outstanding which is not right	11/25/2016 3:00 PM
41	A smaller increase to say 55%	11/25/2016 2:52 PM
42	Option 5 Don't ask for any more money	11/25/2016 1:13 PM
43	I know we all need to pay council tax but I think it should be frozen as it has doubled every year for the last 4 years	11/24/2016 3:32 PM
44	No	11/24/2016 3:31 PM
45	I feel that 68% is too high, mine is £44 a month and sometimes that is a stretch if it went up people on benefits wouldn't be able to afford	11/22/2016 6:37 PM
46	The council won't freeze it anyway because of all the cutbacks from government	11/22/2016 6:30 PM
47	Not enough information provided Council Tax rates are too high	11/22/2016 6:29 PM
48	N/A	11/22/2016 6:12 PM
49	Ridiculous punishing the old and disabled the most vulnerable people in our town! If everyone paid the same % then you wouldn't need to increase the vulnerable people council tax.	11/4/2016 9:29 AM
50	There should be an option 5 to reduce the percentage to be more in line with National averages.	11/3/2016 2:22 PM
51	NOT SURE OF RATE BUT LAST BILL OF *£342.36 WAS A BIG LEAP FROM PREVIOUS YEAR AND VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND ANY INCREASE WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME	11/1/2016 2:48 PM
52	I have selected option 4 as it seems the lesser of all evils ie possibly higher than option 3 but fixed. A fixed amount is very important when you are on a limited budget. I was aware of the 8% and 15% amounts in advance but I did not discover either the 25% nor 45% until I received my bill. No information was sent to me prior to the bill. I am highly educated and reasonably informed (given the limitations of my illness) yet I didn't know and it did come as a shock. I am on sickness benefits which I understand are higher than job seekers so I don't know how people pay it. I realise pensioners are protected by law but many of them will have more income than those under pension age. I realise it is political and pensioners are ring fenced as they are most likely to vote but I have always voted, I think it is an absolute duty to vote. Had the rules not changed, I would be a pensioner in three years. I do not consider myself superior or more worthy than those younger than myself. Everyone should be subject to the same policy.	11/1/2016 12:17 PM
53	Appalling biased questionnaire and idea. I want Option 5-lower than current... The amount to be paid should be in-line with national averages not the disgraceful rate as it stands. Hang your heads in shame.	10/31/2016 10:52 PM
54	There should be exemptions for genuinely disabled people, people unable to work due to having to care for their loved ones and I also believe that the level should be increased only when benefits are increased	10/27/2016 11:28 AM
55	Why is there no option to REDUCE it, the government give disabled people funds to help and the council steal them. Why are disabled people treated the same as scroungers? I have no wish to be disabled but you treat us with contempt and seem to regard us as a cash cow so you can keep your perks.	10/21/2016 2:57 PM
56	Support should be applied inversely proportional to income.	10/16/2016 8:56 PM
57	If you are of working age you should pay in full .	10/16/2016 10:34 AM
58	It is the most vulnerable who will be hit again if the cost is increased. Where is the compassion?	10/14/2016 12:45 PM
59	why not just be more efficient?	10/10/2016 7:53 AM
60	Vile tories hitting the poor and disabled yet again reduce the rate	10/8/2016 9:58 PM

61	I dont agree with any of the options but only way to say that appears to be to click 3. 45% is still way too much to have to pay!!	10/8/2016 9:48 PM
62	Why isn't it 20% like most councils, it's a disgrace	10/8/2016 9:22 PM
63	i believe we should pay 25% as other county's pay it being disabled my self i feel we should not have to pay more as pip is not counted my income is 120.00 a week i feel that we are being targeted as we do not wish to be disabled i feel we are being punished ,and discriminated against ,as i see old age pensioners don,t pay it WHY. they also are a drain on resources ,why punish the poor when everybody should pay.	10/8/2016 1:09 PM
64	None of the above. Kettering BC seems to have taken no steps to learn from the vast majority of other councils that are not charging their poorest residents at the obscene level of 45%.	10/8/2016 11:06 AM
65	it should be 25 percent as the higher amount will cause the poor to get poorer and in to debt if there is a short fall put the tax up for everyone listen to our prime minister THE POOR HAVE PAID ENOUGH	10/8/2016 10:39 AM
66	Obviously the rate shouldn't be increased! If anything it should be reduced to something more like the National Average.	10/8/2016 9:17 AM
67	The maximum amount anyone receiving benefits or on a low income should be liable to pay is 25% of their bill. The reason is Corby Council's minimum payment is 8.5 per cent, while East Northants Council and Wellingborough Council both charge a minimum of 20 per cent. If I could see where this tax was being spent in maintenance or improvement in the borough, then I might be able to stomach it. Look at Corby, frankly Kettering doesn't even come close to the standards and services that Corby provides. Why do you need this extra money? Where are you going wrong? Most councils do charge something, although there are still 66 that charge nothing, but 80 per cent of all councils charge 20 per cent or less. Only two charge more than 30 per cent, one of them 35 per cent, and Kettering is way out on its own charging a huge 45 per cent. To even consider raising it again is a disgrace. I am embarrassed to be associated with such a heartless and uncaring council. Taking money from people who can't afford the current demand and then issuing summons and labouring them with court costs is shameful. That's a good enough reason not to increase but reduce the demand on those who can't afford to pay.	10/8/2016 3:28 AM
68	outin the difference from grant aid from Mrs May and the government	10/7/2016 3:20 PM