



Labour-led councils statistical profiles

How much reserves have they got?

Tabulated together in the following pages are brief statistical profiles of the councils across England, Scotland and Wales that currently have Labour-led administrations.

In total there are 124 Labour-led councils in Britain, including those where Labour heads a minority administration or is the largest party in coalition with another party. The councils in England are listed by region.

Information is given on the population covered by each council; the gross budget – the total cost of the councils' services – taken from the 2016-17 statement of accounts (unless stated)¹; the amount each council held in 'unallocated' General Fund (GF) and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) reserves as of 31st March 2017; the level of earmarked but largely useable reserves for the two accounts² (where this breakdown is specified in the statement of accounts); and lastly the capital receipts reserves held. Figures for major repairs reserves and unapplied capital grants, also part of a council's 'useable reserves' (and which are sometimes quite substantial), have not been collated on this occasion.

An alternative power

These councils administer a range of services – from housing, education, adult and children's social services and libraries, to youth provision, leisure, public health, local welfare assistance, planning and regeneration – covering a population of 27.6 million (43% of the total population of England, Scotland and Wales). They control combined budgets of £74.8 billion, and hold around £9.2bn in GF reserves, and £4.3bn in HRA reserves and capital receipts reserves (as qualified above).

In London alone, the 21 Labour-led councils, controlling a combined budget of £20.9bn, hold £2.4bn in GF reserves and £1.7bn in HRA and capital receipts reserves.

These figures give a glimpse of the substantial resources of the 'local state' under the control of the Labour Party. There are also other authorities – such as the Greater London Authority, the regional Combined Authorities, Fire and Rescue Authorities, and Police and Crime Commissioners – that are under Labour control but which are not included in these profiles.

Even without them, however, who could plausibly say that the councils listed are not a potential counter-power to May's 'weak and wobbly' government? Their combined spending power is greater than the GDP of nine EU countries and the state budgets of 16!

A base for Corbyn's policies

Above all the report shows that no Labour-led council has insufficient reserves that it could not use to generate the resources for a no cuts budget for 2018-19³. They could also start to implement some of Labour's general election manifesto promises to improve life now without waiting for a change of government. The pledge to restore educational maintenance allowances (EMAs) for 16-18 year olds was costed for national implementation, alongside free FE tuition and equalising 16-19 education funding, at £2.5bn. Why not do it now?

Another example: Labour-led councils, using their HRA reserves, could legally undertake sufficient 'prudential borrowing' ('unsupported' borrowing in that it is not matched by government grants) to start building 200,000 council homes now if the political will was there to put Jeremy Corbyn's policies into action.

The figures confirm, in other words, the central theme of TUSC's policy platform for local election candidates that councils – and councillors – have a choice. A councillors' revolt could stop the Tory cuts and add an almost irresistible pressure on the May government to go.

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Notes:

1. Not all councils have published their unaudited accounts for 2016-17 at the time of writing. In addition the accounts vary in their presentation reflecting the differing areas of responsibility councils have, normal accounting adjustments for impairments etc. So while the figures in this report certainly give an indicative picture they cannot be totally complete and are not a substitute for a detailed analysis of each council's individual financial position.
2. Can a council legally use Earmarked Reserves? Some will be restricted, for example, school reserves (although they can be used to support 'licensed deficits' for schools to prevent teacher and support staff redundancies, for example). But, as officers' guidance typically states, most Earmarked Reserves "may also be used on a short-term temporary basis for other purposes provided the funding is replaced in future years" [Source: *Liverpool council budget document, 2013-17 Medium Term Financial Strategy, Section D. Working Balances and Earmarked Reserves, paragraph 14.1, 6 March 2013*]
3. For more information on how councils' reserves and borrowing powers could be used to produce an arguably legally-compliant no cuts budgets see the TUSC briefing document, *Preparing a No Cuts People's Budget*, at <http://www.tusc.org.uk/txt/355.pdf>



Labour-led councils: statistical profiles

There are 124 Labour-led councils, 112 in England, three in Scotland and nine in Wales. Of these there will be 86 councils – all in England – which will have elections in May 2018, for all or part of the council (see the TUSC 2018 Directory of Elections at <http://www.tusc.org.uk/resources>).

Councils in England

Eastern

Cambridge

Population: 126,000
Gross council budget: £140.7m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £23.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £10.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £4.2m
Capital receipts reserves: £32.2m

Harlow

Population: 85,000
Gross council budget: £161.8m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £16.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £17.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.9m

Ipswich

Population: 133,000
Gross council budget: £126m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12m
Earmarked GF reserves: £8.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £7.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £19.2m
Capital receipts reserves: £19m

Milton Keynes

Population: 230,000
Gross council budget: £475m
Unallocated GF reserves: £7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £98.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £6.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £46.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £16.6m

Norwich

Population: 136,000
Gross council budget: £156.9m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £3.7m

Unallocated HRA reserves: £30.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £26.5m

Stevenage

Population: 87,000
Gross council budget: £107.7m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £2.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £19.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £4.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £25.5m

East Midlands

Ashfield

Population: 112,000
Gross council budget: £79m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £6.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £23.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Bassetlaw

Population: 115,000
Gross council budget: £83m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.1m

Bolsover

Population: 76,000
Gross council budget: £49m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £9.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.8m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £1.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £2m

Chesterfield

Population: 105,000
Gross council budget: £115m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £8.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £24.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £3.4m

Corby

Population: 68,000
Gross council budget: £56m
Unallocated GF reserves: £0.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £12.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £7.1m
Capital receipts reserves: £6m

Derby

Population: 248,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £695m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £95.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £42.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0.8m
Capital receipts reserves: £8.9m

Gedling

Population: 114,000
Gross council budget: £52m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £4.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.2m

Leicester

Population: 348,000
Gross council budget: £1,188m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15m
Earmarked GF reserves: £171.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £22m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £1.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £54.9m

Lincoln

Population: 97,000
Gross council budget: £92.1m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £10.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £9.4m

North East Derbyshire

Population: 101,000
Gross council budget: £72m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £1.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £2.5m

Nottingham

Population: 322,000
Gross council budget: £1,056m
Unallocated GF reserves: £8.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £157.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £26.4m

London**Barking and Dagenham**

Population: 202,000
Gross council budget: £780m
Unallocated GF reserves: £19.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £58.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £10.6m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £8.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £22.6m

Brent

Population: 324,000
Gross council budget: £1,122m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £191.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £8.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £34.5m

Camden

Population: 241,000
Gross council budget: £1,024m
Unallocated GF reserves: £13.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £91.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £38.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £35.6m

Croydon

Population: 379,000
Gross council budget: £1,131m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £33.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £12.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £45.9m

Ealing

Population: 343,000
Gross council budget: £1,103m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £100.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £11.8m
Capital receipts reserves: £41.9m

Enfield

Population: 328,000
Gross council budget: £1,227m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14m
Earmarked GF reserves: £50.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £29.8m

Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £24.7m

Greenwich

Population: 275,000
Gross council budget: £873m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £153.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £12m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £107.9m

Hackney

Population: 269,000
Gross council budget: £1,095m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £147.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £10.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £17.4m
Capital receipts reserves: £74.5m

Hammersmith and Fulham

Population: 179,000
Gross council budget: £765.9m
Unallocated GF reserves: £19m
Earmarked GF reserves: £82.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £20.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £25.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £38.6m

Haringey

Population: 273,000
Gross council budget: £977.2m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £56.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £30.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £6.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £33.6m

Harrow

Population: 247,000
Gross council budget: £629.9m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10m
Earmarked GF reserves: £40.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £6.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £22.6m

Hounslow

Population: 269,000
Gross council budget: £703.4m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £105.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £35.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £6.8m
Capital receipts reserves: £51.3m

Islington

Population: 228,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £1,057.3m
Unallocated GF reserves: £22.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £67.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £14.7m

Earmarked HRA reserves: £34.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £69.7m

Lambeth

Population: 325,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £1,194.7m
Unallocated GF reserves: £22.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £85.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £10.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £41.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £63.5m

Lewisham

Population: 297,000
Gross council budget: £1,093.2m
Unallocated GF reserves: £13m
Earmarked GF reserves: £149.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £51.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £55.4m

Merton

Population: 205,000
Gross council budget: £514.6m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £48.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £22.9m

Newham

Population: 333,000
Gross council budget: £1,323m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £147.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £55.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £83m

Redbridge

Population: 297,000
Gross council budget: £858.8m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £78.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £7.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £11.4m
Capital receipts reserves: £15.1m

Southwark

Population: 309,000
Gross council budget: £1,257m
Unallocated GF reserves: £18.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £71.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £14.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £2.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £80.5m

Tower Hamlets

Population: 295,000
Gross council budget: £1,249m
Unallocated GF reserves: £31.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £159.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £39.1m

Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £156.8m

Waltham Forest

Population: 271,000
Gross council budget: £969m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £99.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £38m

Unallocated GF reserves: £23m
Earmarked GF reserves: £233.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.3m

Gateshead

Population: 200,000
Gross council budget: £601m
Unallocated GF reserves: £22.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £33.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £27.3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £14.4m

Northern

Allerdale

Population: 94,000
Gross council budget: £57m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £5.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.3m

Hartlepool

Population: 90,000
Gross council budget: £277.4m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £40.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £6.2m
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Barrow-in-Furness

Population: 57,000
Gross council budget: £49m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £9.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.9m

Middlesbrough

Population: 138,000
Gross council budget: £486m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £27.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.3m

Carlisle

Population: 100,000
Gross council budget: £72m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £4.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Population: 259,000
Gross council budget: £806m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £97.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £8.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £7.4m
Capital receipts reserves: £17.6m

Copeland

Population: 69,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £44m
Unallocated GF reserves: £3.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £6.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.4m

North Tyneside

Population: 201,000
Gross council budget: £597m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £44.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £21.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £5.5m

Darlington

Population: 106,000
Gross council budget: £246m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £16.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £15.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.2m

Redcar & Cleveland

Population: 135,000
Gross council budget: £320m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £26.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £4.8m

Durham

Population: 513,000
Gross council budget: £1,288m

South Tyneside

Population: 148,000
Gross council budget: £522.7m

Unallocated GF reserves: £11.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £21.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £20.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £2.4m

Stockton-on-Tees

Population: 238,000
Gross council budget: £475m
Unallocated GF reserves: £8.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £78.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.5m

Sunderland

Population: 275,000
Gross council budget: £733.1m
Unallocated GF reserves: £18.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £125.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £4.7m

North West

Blackburn-with-Darwen

Population: 146,000
Gross council budget: £424m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £31.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Blackpool

Population: 142,000
Gross council budget: £485m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £37.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £6.8m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.1m

Bolton

Population: 139,000
Gross council budget: £743m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £129.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £12.3m

Burnley

Population: 87,000
Gross council budget: £66.3m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £12.3m

Bury

Population: 182,000
Gross council budget: £587m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £43.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.4m

Cheshire West & Chester

Population: 335,000
Gross council budget: £776m
Unallocated GF reserves: £25m
Earmarked GF reserves: £69m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0.8m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £9.5m

Chorley

Population: 112,000
Gross council budget: £58.7m
Unallocated GF reserves: £3.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.2m

Halton

Population: 126,000
Gross council budget: £355.8m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £42.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £9.9m

Hyndburn

Population: 80,000
Gross council budget: £48.3m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £10.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £4.8m

Knowsley

Population: 146,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £595.2m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £53.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Lancaster

Population: 143,000
Gross council budget: £114m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £6.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £10.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Liverpool

Population: 466,000
Gross council budget: £1,412m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £152.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £9.4m

Manchester

Population: 514,000
Gross council budget: £1,697m
Unallocated GF reserves: £26.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £228.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £67.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £23.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £39.1m

Oldham

Population: 228,000
Gross council budget: £617m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £94.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £18.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £4.1m

Pendle

Population: 91,000
Gross council budget: £59m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £2m

Preston

Population: 142,000
Gross council budget: £86m
Unallocated GF reserves: £8.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £17m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £4.1m

Rochdale

Population: 212,000
Gross council budget: £584m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £126.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £9.6m

Rossendale

Population: 65,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £41.7m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £9.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.8m

St Helens

Population: 177,000
Gross council budget: £432m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £56.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £28.9m

Salford

Population: 210,000
Gross council budget: £795m
Unallocated GF reserves: £13.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £85.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.9m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £11.1m
Capital receipts reserves: £0.2m

Sefton

Population: 273,000
Gross council budget: £637m
Unallocated GF reserves: £21.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £59.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £7.1m

Stockport

Population: 136,000
Gross council budget: £672m
Unallocated GF reserves: £19.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £75.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £5.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £7.2m

Tameside

Population: 220,000
Gross council budget: £542m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £192.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.5m

Warrington

Population: 206,000
Gross council budget: £450m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £46.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £5m

West Lancashire

Population: 112,000
Gross council budget: £81m
Unallocated GF reserves: £0.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £10.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0.6m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £2.1m
Capital receipts reserves: £4.8m

Wigan

Population: 320,000
Gross council budget: £727m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £86.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £19.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £7.1m

Wirral

Population: 320,000
Gross council budget: £793m
Unallocated GF reserves: £25.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £55.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £5.6m

South East

Brighton & Hove

Population: 273,000
Gross council budget: £832m
Unallocated GF reserves: £11.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £35.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £8m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £1.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £11.5m

Crawley

Population: 111,000
Gross council budget: £128m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £18.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £41.4m

Hastings

Population: 90,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £87m
Unallocated GF reserves: £0.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £20.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £2m

Southern

Oxford

Population: 157,000
Gross council budget: £252m
Unallocated GF reserves: £3.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £36.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £18.1m
Capital receipts reserves: £5.9m

Reading

Population: 155,000
Gross council budget: £463m

Unallocated GF reserves: £5.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £23.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £24.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £20.2m

Slough

Population: 145,000
Gross council budget: £362m
Unallocated GF reserves: £8.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £21.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £23.6m

Southampton

Population: 237,000
Gross council budget: £608m
Unallocated GF reserves: £11.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £73.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £27.8m

South West

Bristol

Population: 450,000
Gross council budget: £1,153m
Unallocated GF reserves: £20m
Earmarked GF reserves: £70.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £54.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £8.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £45.7m

Exeter

Population: 124,000
Gross council budget: £97m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £5.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £8.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £10.4m

Stroud

Population: 117,000
Gross council budget: £81m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £14.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £3.4m

West Midlands

Birmingham

Population: 1,123,000
Gross council budget: £3,332m
Unallocated GF reserves: £100.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £312.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £4.7m

Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £278.4m

Cannock Chase

Population: 98,000
Gross council budget: £87m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £7.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £2.5m
Capital receipts reserves: £3.6m

Coventry

Population: 337,000
Gross council budget: £752m
Unallocated GF reserves: £3.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £70.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £20.5m

Dudley

Population: 313,000
Gross council budget: £739m
Unallocated GF reserves: £19.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £41.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £2.6m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £14.3m

Newcastle-under-Lyme

Population: 128,000
Gross council budget: £64m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £1.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £1.6m

Nuneaton & Bedworth

Population: 126,000
Gross council budget: £76m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £10.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £8.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £6.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £4.4m

Redditch

Population: 85,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £70m
Unallocated GF reserves: £2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £1.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £18.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £1.7m

Sandwell

Population: 316,000
Gross council budget: £798m
Unallocated GF reserves: £71.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £54.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £32.9m

Earmarked HRA reserves: £2.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £7.8m

Telford & Wrekin

Population: 167,000
Gross council budget: £454m
Unallocated GF reserves: £4.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £60.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.3m

Walsall

Population: 274,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £730m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £130.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £8.1m

Wolverhampton

Population: 252,000
Gross council budget: £878m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10m
Earmarked GF reserves: £61.3m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.1m

Worcester

Population: 101,000
Gross council budget: £57m
Unallocated GF reserves: £1.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £8.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.4m

Yorkshire

Barnsley

Population: 237,000
Gross council budget: £576m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15m
Earmarked GF reserves: £107m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £38.7m
Capital receipts reserves: £11.4m

Bradford

Population: 528,000
Gross council budget: £1,398m
Unallocated GF reserves: £36m
Earmarked GF reserves: £117m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.6m

Calderdale

Population: 204,000
Gross council budget: £475m
Unallocated GF reserves: £9.9m

Earmarked GF reserves: £50.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Doncaster

Population: 306,000
Gross council budget: £661m
Unallocated GF reserves: £14.8m
Earmarked GF reserves: £50.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £11.1m

Hull

Population: 256,000
Gross council budget: £783m
Unallocated GF reserves: £7.9m
Earmarked GF reserves: £45.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £3m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £24.3m
Capital receipts reserves: £13.8m

Kirklees

Population: 431,000
Gross council budget: £1,151m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £79.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £35.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £7.7m

Leeds

Population: 766,000
Gross council budget: £1,834m
Unallocated GF reserves: £20.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £51.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £28.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0

Capital receipts reserves: £174.6m

North East Lincolnshire

Population: 160,000
Gross council budget: £289m
Unallocated GF reserves: £8.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £37.1m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.4m

Rotherham

Population: 260,000
Gross council budget: £611m
Unallocated GF reserves: £11.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £42m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £35.1m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £27.4m

Sheffield

Population: 640,000
Gross council budget: £1,403m
Unallocated GF reserves: £9.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £143m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £9.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £4.1m
Capital receipts reserves: £53.1m

Wakefield

Population: 331,000
Gross council budget: £681m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10m
Earmarked GF reserves: £99.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0.6m

Councils in Scotland

East Lothian

Population: 104,000
Gross council budget: £334m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15.4m
Earmarked GF reserves: £5.2m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £0

Inverclyde

Population: 79,000
Gross council budget: £285m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £48.8m

Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £2.2m

Midlothian

Population: 89,000
Gross council budget: £414m
Unallocated GF reserves: £17.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £0
Unallocated HRA reserves: £29.7m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £22.4m

Councils in Wales

Bridgend

Population: 139,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £417m
Unallocated GF reserves: £7.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £44.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £18.3m

Caerphilly

Population: 180,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £597m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.6m
Earmarked GF reserves: £67.4m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £21.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £11.9m

Cardiff

Population: 346,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £1,248m
Unallocated GF reserves: £15.2m
Earmarked GF reserves: £51.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £8.4m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0.9m
Capital receipts reserves: £5.4m

Flintshire

Population: 154,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £464m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.1m
Earmarked GF reserves: £27.7m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £1.5m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £7.9m

Neath Port Talbot

Population: 140,000
Gross council budget: £542m
Unallocated GF reserves: £19.7m

Earmarked GF reserves: £31.5m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £5.6m

Newport

Population: 149,000
Gross council budget: £452m
Unallocated GF reserves: £6.5m
Earmarked GF reserves: £88.9m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £11.7m

Rhondda Cynon Taff

Population: 238,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £760m
Unallocated GF reserves: £10.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £123.8m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £3.5m

Swansea

Population: 180,000
Gross council budget (2015-2016): £860m
Unallocated GF reserves: £12.3m
Earmarked GF reserves: £56m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £15.2m
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £7.8m

Torfaen

Population: 92,000
Gross council budget: £307m
Unallocated GF reserves: £5.7m
Earmarked GF reserves: £11.6m
Unallocated HRA reserves: £0
Earmarked HRA reserves: £0
Capital receipts reserves: £6.3m