



ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

The Council Tax (Demand Notices) (England) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency is a levying body for its Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Functions under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency has powers in respect of flood and coastal erosion risk management for 1940 kilometres of main river and along tidal and sea defences in the area of the South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee. Money is spent on the construction of new flood defence schemes, the maintenance of the river system and existing flood defences together with the operation of a flood warning system and management of the risk of coastal erosion. The financial details are:

	South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	
	2017/2018 '000s	2018/2019 '000s
Gross Expenditure	£36,241	£37,728
Levies Raised	£1,053	£1,159
Total Council Tax Base	592	604

The majority of funding for flood defence comes directly from the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). However, under the new Partnership Funding rule not all schemes will attract full central funding. To provide local funding for local priorities and contributions for partnership funding the Regional Flood and Coastal Committees recommend through the Environment Agency a local levy.

A change in the gross budgeted expenditure between years reflects the programme of works for both capital and revenue needed by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee to which you contribute. The total Local Levy raised by this committee has increased by 10.0%

The total Local Levy raised has increased from £1,053,274 in 2017/2018 to £1,158,601 for 2018/2019.

SCHEDULE WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991, SECTION 141 FORM OF STATEMENT**REGIONAL FLOOD AND COASTAL COMMITTEE****PRECEPT AND LEVY FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING 1ST APRIL 2018**

PART I Statement of purposes to which the amount demanded by Levy is intended to be applied:-

Purpose (1)	Total Expenditure '000s (2)	Government Grants '000s (3)	Defrayed from any reserve, replacement or sinking fund '000s (4)	Relevant Expenditure (Col 2 less Cols 3 & 4) '000s (5)
1. Expenses under enactments relating to land drainage:				
(1) Capital expenditure from revenue				
(a) Grant-aided works	£26,947	£0	£0	£26,947
(b) Non grant-aided items	£1,581	£0	£0	£1,581
(2) Other expenditure				
(a) Payments in respect of works financed by borrowing, under section 48 of the Environment Act 1995 (including loan charges)	£0	£0	£0	£0
(b) Maintenance Works	£9,200	£0	£0	£9,200
(c) Administration Expenses (including proportion of Environment Agency and Regional Flood Defence Committee expenses)	£0	£0	£0	£0
(d) Contributions to Internal Drainage Boards	£0	£0	£0	£0
(e) Debit transfer to other Environment Agency accounts	£0	£0	£0	£0
(f) Other items	£0	£0	£0	£0
2. Provision for working capital	£0	£0	£0	£0
3. Debit balance brought forward	£0	£0	£0	£0
			Total Expenditure	37728

Part II Statement of Income	Income other than under the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696)	'000s
1.	(a) Government Grant - in - Aid (b) Contributions from Internal Drainage Boards (see part III) (c) General Drainage Charges (d) Sundry Receipts	£36,147 £0 £0 £0
2.	Movement in balances.	£422
3.	Credit transfers from other Environment Agency accounts	£0
4.	Amount to be met by levies under the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696)	£1,159
	Total Income	£37,728

Part III	Statement of the amounts demanded by precept from Internal Drainage Boards (ii)	Amount of precept from each Board
	Total amount of precept	

Part IV Statement showing the basis on which the amounts demanded by levies to the individual councils are calculated.	Council tax base for relevant area (iii)	Amount of Levy (iv)
(1) <u>County Council</u>		
Council Of The Isles of Scilly	1,325	£2,543
Devon County Council	287,050	£550,898
Somerset County Council	7,127	£13,677
(4) <u>Unitary Authority</u>		
Cornwall Council	191,398	£367,327
Plymouth Council	71,932	£138,050
Torbay Council	44,866	£86,105
Total	603,698	£1,158,601

NOTES

- (i). "Grant in Aid" means grants made to the Environment Agency under section 47 Environment Act 1995.
"Precept" means precepts to internal drainage boards issued under section 141 Water Resources Act 1991.
- (ii). Precept includes contribution by resolution under Section 58(2)(b) of the Land Drainage Act 1991.
- (iii). The "Council tax base" for an area, or part of an area, is to be that calculated in accordance with regulation 7 of the Environment Agency (levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696).
- (iv). Councils of Counties include district councils to which county functions have been transferred in accordance with Regulation 5(6) of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994 (SI 1994/867) pursuant to structural change.