

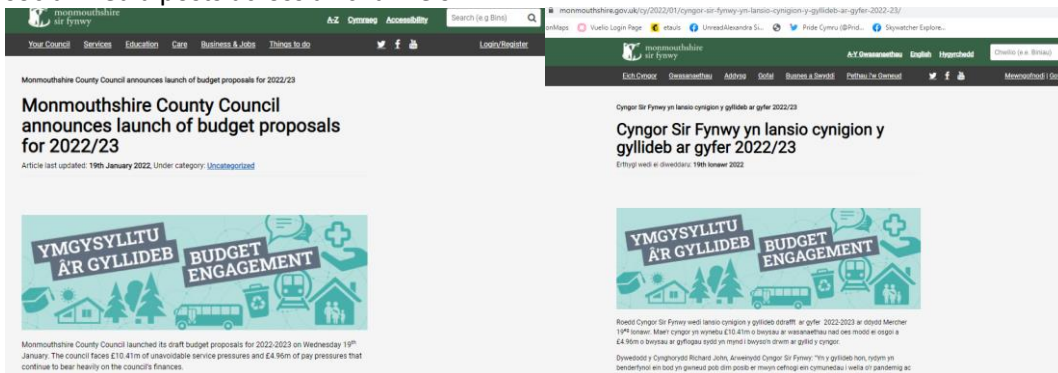
Monmouthshire County Council Budget Engagement 2022-2023 Report of engagement activities

Compiled after consultation closed 16/2/22

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19th January 2022 – Monmouthshire Council announced its proposed budget for 2022/2023
Announcement of beginning of consultation period.

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A cross-section of the published articles:

18/1/22 [Your Council Leader column](#) focussed on the budget

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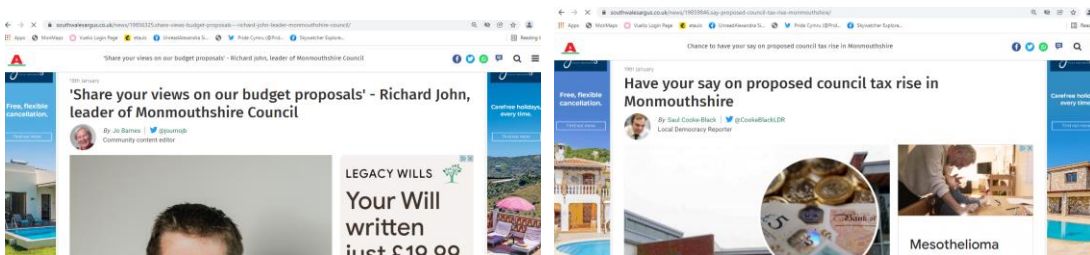
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Monmouthshire County Council has received confirmation from Welsh Government that it will receive an 11.2% increase in its core funding next year compared to the 9.4% average for Wales and where councils across Wales have received settlements ranging from increases of 8.4% to 11.2%. This welcomed news will allow the Council to accommodate a range of significant and immediate pressures affecting services next year and to lessen the need for the Council to draw on its comparatively limited one-off reserves to support the budget.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

19th January 2022-16th February 2022

*All material bilingual

Landing page on MCC's website: [monmouthshire.gov.uk/budget-2022-2023](https://www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/budget-2022-2023)

Hosting all news releases, full budget proposals and supporting documents, links to register for a countywide livestream, survey to capture feedback on proposals and video giving an overview of the proposals.


All subscribers (c.15k people) of the MyMonmouthshire digital newsletter were sent information and links to all the consultation material, including the survey, and a reminder to register for the Budget Livestream

[Budget video](#)

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Cllr Pnhi Murphy
Monmouthshire
Cabinet Member for Resources



I am here today to give you an indication of the budget proposals for 2022/23.

Above: Monmouthshire County Council's cabinet members for Resources, Infrastructure and Social Care, along with Council Leader Cllr Richard John, give an overview of this year's budget proposals.

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BUDGET ENGAGEMENT – share your feedback

The draft budget consultation closes on 16th February 2022. Please share your feedback on the proposals via this [form](#)

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic the council's traditional face-to-face engagement sessions are again not possible this year. On Thursday 27th January at 6.30pm we are hosting a BUDGET LIVESTREAM as a forum to ask questions and give feedback in a live online setting. This session will be recorded and uploaded afterwards to this page for those unable to attend the event to watch it.

JOIN THE BUDGET LIVESTREAM – 6.30pm Thursday 27th January 2022

To register for the livestream event please click this [link](#) before 5pm on the 27th January 2022. This form will also enable you to pre-submit questions (you will still be able to post questions during the livestream).

BUDGET PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS 2022-2023

[Budget Consultation 2022-23 core presentation](#)

[20220119-Cabinet Draft-Capital Budget Proposals 202223 to 202326-covering reports v2-1](#)

[20220120-Cabinet Draft-Capital Budget Proposals 202122 to 202425-appendix 1 to 5-v2-1](#)

[20220120-Cabinet Draft-Capital Budget Proposals 202122 to 202425-appendix 1 to 5-v2-2](#)

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[20220119-Cabinet Draft-Capital Budget Proposals 202223 to 202326-Appendix 5-2-Capital programme 1-2](#)

[20220119-Cabinet Draft-2022-23 Revenue Budget Proposals for consultation-Appendix 6-Future-Sen 1](#)

PREVIOUS NEWS ON THIS YEAR'S PROPOSALS:
Tuesday 21st December 2021: Monmouthshire County Council welcomes news of increased funding

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BUDGET ENGAGEMENT

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Due to the ongoing pandemic we are holding all of our budget engagement in a virtual format this year. You will find all the proposals on our website - www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/budget-2022-2023/ please read through these and submit any questions you would like raised via this form at the point you register.

We'd appreciate your participation - please join us for a Livestream at 6.30pm on Thursday 27th January 2022 when the proposals will be discussed by Councillor Phil Murphy. Don't worry if you have no questions at this stage, you will also have the opportunity to raise questions during the session via the live 'chat' bar on Microsoft Teams.

If you are unable to join us on the day, the session will be recorded and the video will be uploaded to the council's website for viewing after the event.

REGISTER TO TAKE PART
 In order to take part in the livestream please fill in this form no later than noon on Thursday 27th January 2022. Please feel free to pre-submit any questions you may have via this form as well.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT
 We will email you with a link to join the livestream no later than 5pm on Thursday 27th January. Just click on this link to join the livestream.

Budget Engagement Livestream Thursday 27th January, 6.30pm Monmouthshire County Council (Edit) Microsoft Forms - Google Chrome

Budget survey

Draft Budget Proposals 2022/23 Feedback Form Monmouthshire County Council

Please use this form to share your thoughts and feedback on the draft proposals for the budget for coming year.

The 10 proposals can be found on our website: www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/budget-2022-2023/

Please provide your views on our website by 16th February 2022, or on our engagement survey.

Thank you for taking the time to do this - it will get great results!

1. Do you agree or disagree with the service pressures being accommodated for education and sports, and whether you would like additional learning resources?
 Agree
 Disagree

2. Please share your thoughts on the Education (CYP) proposals

Cynigion Cyllideb Ddrafft 2022/23 Ffurflen Adborth Cynogor Sir Fynwy

Defnyddiwch y ffurflen hon i rannu eiddoedd eiddoedd a'ch sylweddion i'ch gwybodaeth a'ch ymatebion i'r cyswllt.

Mae'r 10 cynigion hon yn parhau'n ddwyfais yn y cyngor a'r gwybodaeth a'r ymatebion i'r cyswllt.

Yn eiddoedd y ffurflen hon, dim gwybodaeth ydychydig i'ch gwybodaeth a'ch ymatebion i'r cyswllt.

Mae'r cyswllt hon yn parhau'n ddwyfais yn y cyngor a'r gwybodaeth a'r ymatebion i'r cyswllt.

1. A dychydig i'ch gwybodaeth a'ch ymatebion i'r cyswllt yn dda neu ddi-dda i'ch gwybodaeth a'ch ymatebion i'r cyswllt?
 Gwir
 Dim gwybodaeth

Wednesday 26th January 11am – MyMates Teams session. The budget video was shared with the group, and then Cllr Phil Murphy, cabinet member for Resources, gave a call out for questions. There was a discussion about the importance of leisure centres. 10 people attended this event. About MyMates: My Mates is exclusively for people with a disability. MM has been set up to help individuals make sustainable friendships & close, personal relationships.

Wednesday 26th January 5.30pm – Engage To Change Teams session. The budget slide presentation was talked through and shared by Cllr Phil Murphy, cabinet member for Resources. He then gave a call out for questions. This group was particularly interested in the way Children and Young People's services are funded, and also asked for information (which was provided) about Climate Emergency plans to reduce carbon and what the differences are between Capital Budgets and Revenue Budgets (what is capital, what is revenue spend). Really good two-way discussion lasting just under an hour and a half.

Thursday 27th January 6.30pm – Countywide livestream

Questions were both pre-submitted and raised during the event. All were answered by Cllr Phil Murphy and Peter Davies during the livestream.

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BUDGET LIVESTREAM TONIGHT 📺👉

You still have time to register for tonight's budget livestream. Find out more about the proposals and ask questions at the 6.30pm session.
Link here: <https://bit.ly/3GHEJOY>

Monmouthshire
Yesterday at 09:00 · 🌐

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Cllr Richard John
Monmouthshire
Leader

This proposed budget delivers on our core priorities of offering children the best possible start in life, with more money for schools

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JOIN THIS WEEK'S BUDGET LIVESTREAM

If you want to find out more about the proposed budget for 2022-2023 why not join our Budget Livestream on 27th January at 6.30pm.

Register via the website (prior to 5pm on the day) and you'll be sent a link to join.
Visit <https://www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/budget-2022-2023/> to read the proposals, register for the livestream and share your feedback. If you miss the livestream, a recording of it will be available to watch on our website after the event.

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Impressions	472
Total engagements	13
Likes	4
Detail expands	4
Retweets	3
Link clicks	1
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TOMORROW – You still have time to register for tomorrow's BUDGET LIVESTREAM. Find out more about the proposals and ask questions at the 6.30pm session.

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Impressions	1,019
Media views	273
Total engagements	15
Media engagements	7
Link clicks	3
Detail expands	3
Replies	1
Likes	1

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What about the traffic congestion in Chepstow and why not reopen the high street in Chepstow to help ease traffic for those that travel to work; 3.95% rise in council tax is going to hit families hard in addition to the already escalating cost of living... See more

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Ange Dhenin Please feed your comments in via the survey on the website so they are included in the consultation feedback. Thank you.

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Deilyn Niblett
How do u expect people to keep paying out all the time every year's its the same really getting fed up with it now

Like Reply 1w

Write a comment...



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YFORY – Mae dal gennych amser i gofrestru ar gyfer frwd fyw'r gyllideb yfory. Dysgwch fwy am y cynigion a gofynnwch gwestiynau yn y sesiwn am 6.30pm.

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Monmouthshire 19 January at 13:00

This year's budget consultation has been launched. Visit <https://bit.ly/3Kqg20p> to read about the proposals, feedback via the survey and register to join our livestream event on Thursday 27th January 2022 at 6.30pm.

Cllr Phil Murphy
Monmouthshire
Cabinet Member for Resources

We get £1,176 per person, some £435 per head below the Welsh average.



BUDGET FEEDBACK SURVEY

During the consultation 51 people had completed the survey. This figure was lower than expected given the amount of promotion we have given to the survey.

Question 1 – Do you agree or disagree with the service pressures being accommodated for Education and Schools, notably around children with additional learning needs? **62.7% agreed.**

Question 2 – key phrases

7 respondents (47%) answered **schools** for this question.



Question 3 – Do you agree or disagree with the proposals for Social Care and Health, both in terms of the service pressures being accommodated in Children's and Adult Services, and the proposed increase in fees and charges? **50.9% agreed.**

Question 4 – key phrases:

7 respondents (44%) answered care for this question.



Question 5. Do you agree or disagree with the services pressures being accommodated for Enterprise, and that significantly relate to service pressures being accommodated with Recycling & Waste, and Transport? **62.7% disagreed.**

Question 6 – key phrases:

3 respondents (23%) answered garden waste for this question.



Question 7: We are looking to make one-off use of limited reserves and capital receipts in order to support the budget this year and to allow service pressures to be accommodated and to less the burden on council tax payers. Do you agree or disagree with this approach? **92.1% agreed.**

Question 8: We propose a 3.95% increase in Council Tax as a result of the significant financial challenges faced. Accepting that the Council Tax Reduction Scheme will provide support to those on low income and benefits, and 25% discount to single people. Do you agree or disagree? **82.3% disagreed.**

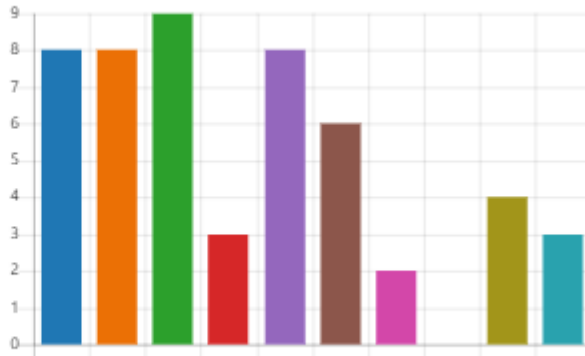
Question 9: key phrases:

20 respondents (51%) answered council tax for this question.



Question 10: Where do you live – please state your nearest town or village

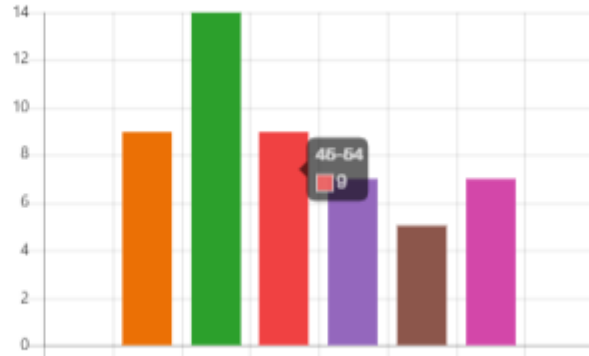
Abergavenny	8
Caldicot	8
Chepstow	9
Gilwern	3
Magor & Undy	8
Monmouth	6
Raglan	2
Tintern	0
Usk	4
Other	3



Question 11: What age group do you fall within?

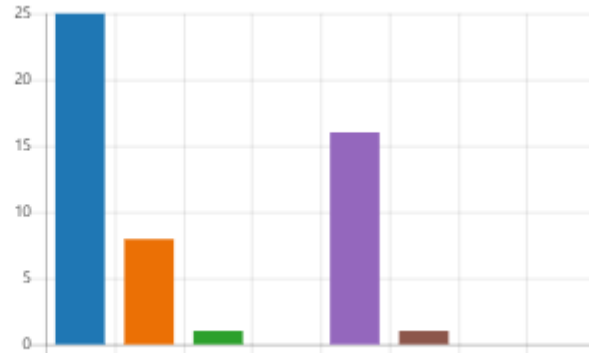
The largest response was from the 35-44 group, that made up 27.4% of those that responded.

16-24	0
25-34	9
35-44	14
45-54	9
55-64	7
65-74	5
75-84	7
85+	0



Question 12: Nationality. 49.01% of those who responded stated they were Welsh.

Welsh	25
English	8
Scottish	1
Irish	0
British	16
EU Citizen	1
Non-EU Citizen	0
Other	0



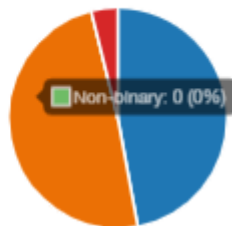
Question 13: What gender do you identify as?

13. What gender do you identify as

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Female	24
Male	25
Non-binary	0
Prefer not to say	2



Question 14: Disability is defined by the Equality Act 2010 as: A physical or mental impairment, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-

to-day activities. The disability could be physical, sensory or mental and must be expected to last at least 12 months. Do you consider yourself to have a disability as defined by the Equality Act? **7 of the 51 responders replied 'yes' to this question.**

Question 15: We would like to know your views on the effects that the proposals would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English. What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

10 respondents (40%) answered **Welsh language** for this question.



Question 16: Please also explain how you believe the proposals could be improved so as to have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language?

10 respondents (42%) answered **Welsh** for this question.

