



## Council Tax Freeze

Dear Resident,

**Wandsworth Council is freezing your Council Tax for the fourth year in a row. You will continue to pay the lowest Council Tax in the country.**

Value for money is at the heart of everything we do. Wandsworth has one of the lowest levels of debt and some of the highest financial reserves in London. This allows us to freeze the main element of Council Tax, keep more money in your pocket and invest in what matters to you:

- **25% improvement in our recycling rate** - every household now gets two Free Bulky Waste collections a year, more free Mega Skip Days and guaranteed weekly waste and recycling collections.
- **New rapid response CCTV cars** - we have increased street lighting at night, doubled support for victims of domestic abuse and hired more community safety officers to keep Wandsworth the safest inner-London borough.
- **Best ever air quality** - we cherish our parks and green spaces, with record investment and 1,000 trees planted each year so everyone can enjoy a healthier, greener place to live.

We deliver more for you through smart partnerships: our work with Apple brings skills and tech into local schools, introducing Parkrun keeps us fit and connected and Dolly Parton now gives every child in Wandsworth free books up to their fifth birthday.

Caring for our most vulnerable neighbours is central to what we do. We will continue to provide excellent care for our older residents and support the NHS. An increase of two per cent in the adult social care precept this year will help fund this vital work.

Thanks to our residents, Wandsworth is enjoying an amazing year as London's Borough of Culture, our children start the day ready to learn with free school breakfasts and we're a proud Borough of Sanctuary for refugees.

Together, let's keep Wandsworth special.

Best wishes,

**Simon Hogg**

Leader of Wandsworth Council

P.S. If you have any questions or feedback on our council services, please email me at [simon@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:simon@wandsworth.gov.uk)

