

Council Spending - have your say!

Uttlesford Survey of Businesses 2018

Each year the council has to prepare its budget and decide how much should be spent on the services it provides to the community. These decisions cannot be made without the input of the district's residents and businesses.

As a local business this survey gives you the opportunity to have your say on what the Uttlesford District Council's spending priorities should be for the forthcoming financial year. The results of this consultation will help to inform the budget for April 2019 to March 2020.

All the information you provide will be kept confidential. It will only be used by Uttlesford District Council and the main findings from the survey will be published on the council website. However, your own views and opinions will not be passed on to anyone else. Further information about Data Protection rights can be found at **www.uttlesford.gov.uk/privacy**

The budget for 2019/20 will be agreed by Full Council in February 2019 following consideration by the Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet.

Please complete this questionnaire by ticking the appropriate box(es) for each question and when you have answered the questions to your satisfaction, click on the "Submit" button.

Please submit your completed survey by:

Monday 6 August 2018 at 5pm

You can start your survey, save the responses you have already entered and return to complete the questionnaire at a later time, provided it is before the closing date.

If you require this publication in an alternative format and/or language or have any questions or queries about this questionnaire, please contact:
Louise Milns or Bruce Tice at Uttlesford District Council on 01799 510381 or 510670.
Alternatively you can email: consultation@uttlesford.gov.uk

Council Services

Below is a list of services Uttlesford District Council provides to the public.

For each service, please indicate whether you consider it to be a high priority, a medium priority or a low priority. (Please select one option for each service)

Street Services

	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No opinion
1. Emptying bins and running the recycling service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Emptying bins for some businesses (businesses are charged for this service)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Sweeping the streets, litter picking, clearing up fly-tipping and emptying public litter and dog bins (The town or parish councils in Saffron Walden, Dunmow and Stansted are responsible for public litter bins in their areas)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Providing the Highway Rangers service which carries out small jobs such as keeping road verges tidy through hedge cutting, mowing, strimming, repainting and repairing road signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Planning

	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No opinion
1. Deciding planning applications and making sure new buildings and extensions are built according to approved plans and following building regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.Planning how the district will develop in the coming decades, including where new housing and businesses will be locate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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3.Advising on work to listed buildings and to protected trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Environmental Health

	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No opinion
1.Dealing with noise complaints, air and water quality issues and other environmental health matters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.Inspecting restaurants, pubs and other businesses which sell food and issuing various licences such as those needed for pubs, off-licences, taxis, kennels and tattoo parlours and making sure people do not break the terms of those licences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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3.Collecting stray animals, microchipping dogs and cats and dealing with complaints from the public about pet and animal-related issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Finance and Business

	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No opinion
1.Continuing to explore external commercial opportunities, such as the 50% purchase of Chesterford Research Park, to bring in extra income for the council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.Ensuring car parking fees are set at a fair level that also aim to support local business communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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3.Promoting and supporting businesses in the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Working in the Community

	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	No opinion
1. Giving grants to voluntary and community organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Educating young people about the dangers of drugs and alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Working with the police and other organisations to keep Uttlesford safe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Working with public health bodies on projects to keep people in the district healthy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Supporting the volunteer committees who run day centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Any other comments

Thinking about how you answered the previous questions, if you have any other comments you wish to add regarding council spending for the the period April 2019 to March 2020, please use the box below:

Overall, how well informed do you think Uttlesford District Council keeps businesses informed about the services and benefits it provides?

Very well informed Fairly well informed Not very well informed Not well informed at all Don't know

Thank you for taking part in our survey.

This consultation will close at 5pm on

Monday 6 August 2018

Please now click on the "Submit" button