

What did we spend?

This table shows the cost of running our services, day to day, in 2005/2006.

	Net Expenditure 2005/2006 £'000
Environmental Services	7,840
Cultural & Related Services	7,382
Council Housing	3,794
Housing Services	2,340
Corporate & Democratic Core	1,893
Central Services	1,544
Non-Distributed Costs	654
Planning & Development Services	505
Highways Services	502
Net Cost of Services	26,454
Less: internal charges to services for using Council assets	(15,743)
Less: interest and investment income	(341)
Add: other accounting adjustments	9,435
Net operating expenditure	19,805
Less internal accounting entries	(4,005)
Cost of local services met by money from central government and local tax payers	15,800

Our overall gross spending on services is reduced by the income we receive. In 2005/2006 our overall gross spending and income was:

	2005/2006 £'000
Gross spending on services	95,875
Income	(69,421)
Net cost of services	26,454

How was it paid for?

Local services are paid for by both local and national taxation.

Last year we received:	2005/2006 £'000
Local Taxes – Council Tax	6,916
National Taxes – Formula Grant	6,347
National Taxes – Business Rates	2,640
Total Income	15,903

Did we have anything left over?

We spent slightly less than the income we received leading to a surplus on our revenue account. The surplus for the year was added to those from previous years to give a new balance of £1.3 million.

	2005/2006 £'000
Cost of services	15,800
Income from taxes	(15,903)
Surplus for the year	(103)

Eastbourne has a legal responsibility to maintain a sensible level of working balances and reserves. We think the minimum safe level is £1 million.

Housing Services

The figures for Council Housing include the Housing Revenue Account (HRA). The HRA is an account kept separately and is entirely funded by rents charged to the tenants of Council Houses. In 2005/2006 our gross spending and income from rents was:

Housing Services	2005/2006 £'000
Gross spending on Council Housing	18,094
Income from rents, service charges and grants	(13,863)
Net Cost of Services	4,231
Less: interest we receive on cash investments	(92)
Less: internal charges for using Council Housing assets	(5,361)
Add: capital expenditure funded from rents etc.	710
Add: losses on the early repayment of borrowing	665
Less: money we have taken from reserves	(371)
Cost of the Housing Revenue Account	(218)

How much cash did we handle?

A significant amount of cash is handled by the Council.

Cash Flow	2005/2006
	£'000
Cash and the value of investments instantly available on 1 st April	(754)
Cash In	145,475
Cash Out	(143,901)
Cash and the value of investments instantly available on 31st March	820

How much did we spend on assets?

Spending on assets, such as buying, improving or repairing our properties, is called capital expenditure. We have to account for this type of expenditure separately from our day to day running costs.

	Expenditure
	2005/2006
	£'000
Housing stock improvement	3,723
Other housing expenditure	1,652
Theatres & Cultural Centre	1,925
Sports & leisure facilities	118
Office Accommodation & IT systems	1,105
Other schemes	281
Total capital expenditure	8,804

How did we pay for it?

	2005/2006
	£'000
Grants and contributions	4,853
Loans	1,470
Capital receipts from the sale of assets	2,347
Council Tax	134
Total	8,804

What are we worth?

At the end of each financial year, on 31st March, we draw up a balance sheet. This shows how much our land and buildings are worth, how much others owe us, how much we owe others and how much cash we have.

	31 March
	2006
	£'000
Value of Council houses	208,856
Value of other land and property	85,970
Cash and investments	2,648
Money owed to Eastbourne	14,574
Money owed by Eastbourne	(65,431)
Total assets less total liabilities	246,617
Reserves	(246,617)

Eastbourne's net worth as an organisation is £246.6 million.

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Summary Accounts for 2005/2006



The information within this leaflet provides an overview of Eastbourne's revenue and capital spending for the year 2005/2006 and a summary of the Council's balance sheet. It sets out where we receive our funding from and how we used this money last year to provide services in the borough. A copy of the full statement of accounts is available on the Council's website www.eastbourne.gov.uk and from our offices at 1 Grove Road Eastbourne. This leaflet is available in different formats upon request.