

Comparison with Other Local Authorities

| Authority | Number of Councillors | Population | Pop per Cllr (average) | Basic Allowance | Leader | Deputy Leader | Leader of the largest Opposition group | Deputy Leader of largest Opposition group | Cabinet Member | Scrutiny Co-ordination Chair | Scrutiny Co-ordination Deputy Chair | Scrutiny Chairs | Scrutiny Deputy Chair | Audit Chair |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------|---------------|--|---|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Black Country Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dudley | 72 | 322363 | 4,477 | 10,737 | 25,213 | 19,940 | 11,290 | 8,919 | 14,355 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 |
| Sandwell | 72 | 329042 | 4,570 | 11,353 | 28,092 | 25,282 | 9,569 | | 16,856 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 |
| Wolverhampton | 60 | 264407 | 4,407 | 9,793 | 25,000 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 |
| Walsall | 60 | 286716 | 4,779 | 11,938 | 33,325 | 20,614 | 11,158 | | 16,787 | 10,821 | | 7,579 | | 8,551 |
| Average | | | | 10,955 | 27,908 | 21,459 | 11,754 | 5,710 | 15,750 | 11,184 | 4,242 | 9,124 | 4,242 | 9,367 |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Birmingham | 101 | 1140525 | 11,292 | 18,681 | 56,579 | 45,263 | 16,973 | 9,618 | 28,289 | 14,145 | | 14,145 | | 5,658 |
| Coventry | 54 | 379387 | 7,026 | 14,490 | 26,081 | 18,832 | 5,345 | 2,673 | 11,593 | 11,593 | 2,901 | 7,248 | | 7,248 |
| Dudley | 72 | 322363 | 4,477 | 10,737 | 25,213 | 19,940 | 11,290 | 8,919 | 14,355 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 |
| Sandwell | 72 | 329042 | 4,570 | 11,353 | 28,092 | 25,282 | 9,569 | | 16,856 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 |
| Solihull | 51 | 217487 | 4,264 | 10,000 | 24,215 | 11,623 | 9,686 | | 9,686 | 7,748 | | 7,748 | | 826 |
| Wolverhampton | 60 | 264407 | 4,407 | 9,793 | 25,000 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 |
| Walsall | 60 | 286716 | 4,779 | 11,938 | 33,325 | 20,614 | 11,158 | | 16,787 | 10821 | | 7,579 | | 8,551 |
| Average | | | | 12,427 | 31,215 | 23,079 | 11,289 | 5,928 | 16,081 | 11,175 | 3,907 | 9,376 | 4,242 | 7,314 |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coventry | 54 | 379387 | 7,026 | 14,490 | 26,081 | 18,832 | 5,345 | 2,673 | 11,593 | 11,593 | 2,901 | 7,248 | | 7,248 |
| Dudley | 72 | 322363 | 4,477 | 10,737 | 25,213 | 19,940 | 11,290 | 8,919 | 14,355 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 |
| Sandwell | 72 | 329042 | 4,570 | 11,353 | 28,092 | 25,282 | 9,569 | | 16,856 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 |
| Solihull | 51 | 217487 | 4,264 | 10,000 | 24,215 | 11,623 | 9,686 | | 9,686 | 7,748 | | 7,748 | | 826 |
| Wolverhampton | 60 | 264407 | 4,407 | 9,793 | 25,000 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 |
| Walsall | 60 | 286716 | 4,779 | 11,938 | 33,325 | 20,614 | 11,158 | | 16,787 | 10821 | | 7,579 | | 8,551 |
| Average | | | | 11,385 | 26,988 | 19,382 | 10,341 | 4,697 | 14,046 | 10,680 | 3,907 | 8,582 | 4,242 | 7,590 |
| CIPFA Nearest Neighbours: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bolton | 60 | 288248 | 4,804 | 11,644 | 31,294 | 18,775 | 10,555 | 6,333 | 7,140 | 5,100 | | 5,100 | | |
| Bradford MBC | 90 | 542128 | 6,024 | 13,463 | 37,056 | 18,528 | 25,939 | 16,675 | 25,939 | 12,970 | | 12,970 | | 12,970 |
| Coventry | 54 | 379387 | 7,026 | 14,490 | 26,081 | 18,832 | 5,345 | 2,673 | 11,593 | 11,593 | 2,901 | 7,248 | | 7,248 |
| Derby | 51 | 256814 | 5,036 | 11,523 | 34,569 | 25,927 | 8,642 | 4,321 | 17,285 | 8,642 | 2,161 | 8,642 | 2,161 | 6,050 |
| Dudley | 72 | 322363 | 4,477 | 10,737 | 25,213 | 19,940 | 11,290 | 8,919 | 14,355 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 9,560 |
| Kirklees | 69 | 441290 | 6,396 | 14,002 | 26,364 | 19,772 | 11,577 | 3,860 | 12,863 | 11,577 | | 6,432 | | 2,572 |
| Oldham MBC | 60 | 237628 | 3,960 | 9,976 | 29,928 | 20,950 | 14,964 | 5,986 | 17,957 | 8,978 | | 8,978 | | 2,207 |
| Peterborough | 60 | 202626 | 3,377 | 10,508 | 31,524 | 21,017 | 7,881 | | 15,762 | | | 7,881 | | 7,881 |
| Rochdale | 60 | 223659 | 3,728 | 10,451 | 31,353 | 15,677 | 10,850 | | 14,109 | 7,838 | | | | 6,271 |
| Sandwell | 72 | 329042 | 4,570 | 11,353 | 28,092 | 25,282 | 9,569 | | 16,856 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 | 5,618 | 9,355 |
| Sheffield | 84 | 589214 | 7,014 | 12,339 | 19,091 | 9,545 | 7,890 | | 9,545 | 7,890 | | 7,890 | | |
| Wolverhampton | 60 | 264407 | 4,407 | 9,793 | 25,000 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 10,000 |
| Walsall | 60 | 286716 | 4,779 | 11,938 | 33,325 | 20,614 | 11,158 | | 16,787 | 10821 | | 7,579 | | 8,551 |
| Average | | | | 11,709 | 29,145 | 19,605 | 11,589 | 6,408 | 15,015 | 9,944 | 3,558 | 8,470 | 3,722 | 7,515 |

County Councils:

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|----------------|----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| Shropshire | 74 | 325415 | 4,398 | 12,000 | 27,000 | 18,000 | 6,000 | | 12,000 | 12,000 | | 12,000 | | 3,600 |
| Herefordshire | 53 | 193615 | 3,653 | 7,935 | 31,741 | | 1,747 | | 13,887 | 9,920 | | 9,920 | | 5,951 |
| Worcestershire | 57 | 598070 | 10,492 | 9,108 | 35,494 | 18,846 | 10,512 | | 18,503 | 18,503 | | 10,512 | | 10,512 |
| Warwickshire | 57 | 583786 | 10,242 | 9,637 | 24,137 | 14,482 | 8,376 | 5,011 | 10,763 | 5,783 | 2,147 | 5,783 | 2,147 | 4,494 |
| Staffordshire | 62 | 883172 | 14,245 | 9,786 | 37,963 | 28,473 | 18,982 | 6,454 | 18,982 | | | 7,221 | 2,528 | 4,334 |
| Average | | | | 9,693 | 31,267 | 19,950 | 9,123 | 5,733 | 14,827 | 11,552 | 2,147 | 9,087 | 2,338 | 5,778 |

Notes:

1. Comparator local authorities are those identified by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy using a model that identifies the closest match across a range of socio economic indicators including population, demography and economic activity.
2. Comparison data from local authority websites.
3. There are some variations to the way in which local authorities report their figures which may mean that they are not all directly comparable
4. Roles for which authorities pay an SRA vary and are not always comparable. The figures included here are where the title of a role appears to match most closely a similar role in Wolverhampton.
5. Some authorities pay allowances for roles not included in Wolverhampton's scheme.
6. Four of the West Midlands Metropolitan Councils (Coventry, Dudley, Sandwell and Walsall) are also identified as CIPFA nearest neighbours and appear in both tables
7. As civic allowances are governed by different legislation from that dealing with Members Allowances schemes, some authorities do not include them in their actual spend and for others its not immediately apparent.
8. The way payments are made to opposition leaders, deputies and spokesperson vary more from one authority to another than most other payments. Some pay only allowances only for the largest opposition group, while many link the level of payment to the number of members in the group. eg the level of allowance in Sandwell ranges from £1,367 to £9,569 depending on the size of the opposition group. The rates shown here are the highest given - further analysis can be provided if required.
9. Where included, co-opted allowances can vary based on the role co-opted e.g. the level of allowance in Birmingham ranges from £602 to £1,082.
10. The rate for Kirklees' Fostering Panel Members is a day rate.
11. Some (but not all) Member Allowance Schemes include provisions for applying Carer's allowances, without specifying rates for Independent and Professional Care.

Comparison with Other Local Authorities

| Authority | Audit Deputy Chair | Planning Chair | Planning Deputy Chair | Licensing Chair | Licensing Deputy Chair | Governance and Ethics Cttee Chair | Pension Ctte Chair | Pension Deputy Chair | Co-optee | Ind. Members | Cllr Champs | Mayor/ Lord Mayor | Deputy Mayor/ Deputy Lord Mayor | Travel and subside Car Mileage Higher rate |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|
| Black Country Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dudley | 4,609 | 11,172 | 5,234 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 4606 | | | | | | 25,795 | 4,471 | |
| Sandwell | | 11,237 | 5,618 | 11,237 | 5,618 | 9,355 | | | 0 | | | 21,380 | 8,552 | |
| Wolverhampton | 2,500 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 2,500 | 20,000 | 5,000 | |
| Walsall | | 11,006 | | 10,478 | | 5348 | | | 0 | | | | | |
| Average | 3,555 | 12,104 | 5,284 | 11,569 | 5,076 | 7,327 | 10,000 | 2,500 | #DIV/0! | | 2,500 | 22,392 | 6,008 | #DIV/0! |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Birmingham | | 16,973 | | 16,973 | | | | | 1,082 | | | | | 0.45 |
| Coventry | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 1,125 | | | 525 | | | | | |
| Dudley | 4,609 | 11,172 | 5,234 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 4606 | | | | | | 25,795 | 4,471 | |
| Sandwell | | 11,237 | 5,618 | 11,237 | 5,618 | 9,355 | | | 0 | | | 21,380 | 8,552 | |
| Solihull | | 7,748 | | 3,875 | | 3,875 | | | 826 | | | 15,447 | 1,005 | |
| Wolverhampton | 2,500 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 2,500 | 20,000 | 5,000 | |
| Walsall | | 11,006 | | 10,478 | | 5348 | | | 0 | | | | | |
| Average | 3,337 | 11,483 | 4,688 | 10,624 | 4,532 | 5,718 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 811 | | 2,500 | 20,656 | 4,757 | 0.45 |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coventry | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 1,125 | | | 525 | | | | | |
| Dudley | 4,609 | 11,172 | 5,234 | 9,560 | 4,609 | 4606 | | | | | | 25,795 | 4,471 | |
| Sandwell | | 11,237 | 5,618 | 11,237 | 5,618 | 9,355 | | | 0 | | | 21,380 | 8,552 | |
| Solihull | | 7,748 | | 3,875 | | 3,875 | | | 826 | | | 15,447 | 1,005 | |
| Wolverhampton | 2,500 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 2,500 | 20,000 | 5,000 | |
| Walsall | | 11,006 | | 10,478 | | 5348 | | | 0 | | | | | |
| Average | 3,337 | 10,569 | 4,688 | 9,566 | 4,532 | 5,718 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 676 | | 2,500 | 20,656 | 4,757 | #DIV/0! |
| CIPFA Nearest Neighbours: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bolton | | 8,177 | 2,813 | 7,740 | 2,521 | | | | | 538 | | | | 0.48 |
| Bradford MBC | | 12,970 | | 12,970 | | 3,706 | | | 597 | | | | | 0.45 |
| Coventry | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 7,248 | 2,901 | 1,125 | | | 525 | | | | | |
| Derby | | 8,642 | 4,321 | 8,642 | 4,321 | | | | 500 | 500 | | 8,642 | | 0.45 |
| Dudley | 4,609 | 11,172 | 5,234 | 9,560 | 4,609 | | | | | | | 25,795 | 4,471 | |
| Kirklees | | 6,432 | | 5,147 | | | | | | | | 15,289 | 6,798 | 0.45 |
| Oldham MBC | | 8,978 | | 8,978 | | 697 | | | 408 | 408 | | 15,652 | 3,075 | 0.45 |
| Peterborough | | 9,457 | | 7,881 | | | | | 250 | 1,000 | | 12,000 | 3,600 | 0.45 |
| Rochdale | | 10,451 | | 10,451 | | | | | | | | | | 0.45 |
| Sandwell | | 11,237 | 5,618 | 11,237 | 5,618 | 9,355 | | | 0 | | | 21,380 | 8,552 | |
| Sheffield | | 5,536 | | 5,536 | 3,182 | | 11,777 | 5,889 | 744 | | | | | 0.45 |
| Wolverhampton | 2,500 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 15,000 | 5,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 2,500 | 20,000 | 5,000 | |
| Walsall | | 11,006 | | 10,478 | | 5348 | | | 0 | | | | | |
| Average | 3,337 | 9,716 | 4,315 | 9,298 | 4,022 | 5,039 | 10,889 | 4,195 | 504 | 489 | 2,500 | 16,965 | 5,249 | 0 |

County Councils:

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|----------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-----|------|
| Shropshire | | 9,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 1,500 | 3,000 | | 143 | | 0.45 |
| Herefordshire | | 9,920 | | 5,951 | | | | | | |
| Worcestershire | | 10,917 | | 10,917 | | 10,917 | | | | 0.45 |
| Warwickshire | | 5,783 | 2,920 | 5,783 | 2,920 | 4,494 | | 1,238 | | 0.40 |
| Staffordshire | 1,444 | 7,221 | 2,528 | | | 4,334 | 1,444 | 631 | 631 | 0.45 |
| Average | 1,444 | 8,568 | 2,816 | 6,413 | 2,210 | 5,686 | 1,444 | 671 | 631 | 0.44 |

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| Authority | Lower Rate |
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| Black Country Councils: | |
| Dudley | |
| Sandwell | |
| Wolverhampton | |
| Walsall | |
| Average | #DIV/0! |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | |
| Birmingham | |
| Coventry | |
| Dudley | |
| Sandwell | |
| Solihull | |
| Wolverhampton | |
| Walsall | |
| Average | #DIV/0! |
| West Midlands Metropolitan Councils: | |
| Coventry | |
| Dudley | |
| Sandwell | |
| Solihull | |
| Wolverhampton | |
| Walsall | |
| Average | #DIV/0! |
| CIPFA Nearest Neighbours: | |
| Bolton | 0.43 |
| Bradford MBC | 0.45 |
| Coventry | |
| Derby | 0.45 |
| Dudley | |
| Kirklees | 0.45 |
| Oldham MBC | 0.45 |
| Peterborough | 0.45 |
| Rochdale | 0.45 |
| Sandwell | |
| Sheffield | 0.45 |
| Wolverhampton | |
| Walsall | |
| Average | 0 |

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| County Councils: | |
| Shropshire | 0.45 |
| Herefordshire | |
| Worcestershire | 0.36 |
| Warwickshire | 0.40 |
| Staffordshire | 0.45 |
| Average | 0.42 |

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