

**This message is sent on behalf of Mr Mark Nolan, Clerk and Monitoring Officer to Lancashire Combined Fire Authority**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Lancashire Combined Fire Authority - Budget Consultation 2024/25

Lancashire Authority, like you, has faced increasing costs due to inflationary pressures. In particular cost increases have been seen on utility, fuel, supplies and pay impact on budgets.

To assist in managing the increases, the Fire Authority is currently planning the budget for next year and is considering a council tax increase of 2.99%, which would be an extra £2.46 per year for a Band D property. This would increase the Band D council tax charge for your fire and rescue service from £82.27 to £84.73 per year.

With this increase Lancashire Fire and Rescue Authority would still remain in the third lowest of all Fire Authority charges.

Would you support the increase?

It would be helpful if you could let me have any comments you wish to make on the budget proposals by no later than 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind Regards

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