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Pay and Price assumptions used in the MTFP

Factor	Note	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Council Tax Increase		0%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
National Pay award	1	2.20%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
Increments and Local award	2	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%
Members allowances	3	2.00%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
Price Inflation	4	2.30%	2.10%	2.00%	2.00%
Contract Inflation (general)	5	2.30%	2.10%	2.00%	2.00%
Council Tax Base	6	1.72%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Fees and Charges (general)	7	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%

Notes

- 1. Based on a continued pay restraint ceiling through the life of the MTFP.
- 2. Annual 0.75% increase to take account of increments and local award.
- 3. Members' allowances are set by Independent remuneration Panel but for planning purposes only, have included up rating in line with current assumptions around pay.
- 4. Price inflation is based upon OBR (Office for Budget Responsibility) predictions around inflation in future years.
- 5. Contract inflation is based upon OBR predictions around inflation in future years in line with the indices specified in the relevant contract.
- 6. Council Tax base increases have been calculated using trend information. Further revisions may apply once more data on the impact of Council Tax support has been analysed.
- 7. Fees and Charges income levels assumed to increase by 2.5%. This may be through generation of additional income or where appropriate price increases.