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Dear parents/carers,

Please see the information below that we have been asked by Flintshire County Council to share with you.

Have your say-Budget Consultation 2025/2026

For well over a decade all councils in the UK have faced considerable financial challenges because of year on year underfunding from national governments.

Over this time Flintshire has cut it's spending by **more than £125m**.

68% of the funding Flintshire receives comes from Welsh Government and per head of population we are ranked 20 out of 22 councils in Wales for the money we receive to deliver services.

Every year it gets harder and we share our concerns that the gap between the money we are given and what we need to spend may be too big, but with a lot of hard work and some difficult decisions we just about manage to do it.

Leader of Flintshire County Council, Councillor Dave Hughes, said:

"Over this time we've exhausted all the easy options to cut spending and we've also exhausted the moderate to difficult options. Without any additional funding from Welsh Government we are at a serious, critical stage where we are left with only hard choices that will significantly impact our residents and workforce.

"Although we are working hard to identify solutions, it's no exaggeration when we say that 2025/26 may be year when we can't close the gap."

If residents would like to take part in this consultation, a short on-line questionnaire is now available until 24 November 2024 at www.flintshire.gov.uk/BudgetConsultation2024

Residents who are unable to complete the survey online can visit any of the Council's Connects Centres where support will be available. Opening times can be found on the [Council's website](#).

