



Department for Levelling Up,  
Housing & Communities

Jonathan Owen  
Chief Executive  
National Association of Local Councils  
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Dear Mr Owen,

**SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE: LIMIT FOR 2022-2023**

This is to notify you that the appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for parish and town councils in England for 2022-23 is £8.82.

This is the amount as a result from increasing the amount of £8.41 for 2021-2022 by the percentage increase in the retail index between September 2020 and September 2021, in accordance with Schedule 12B to the 1072 Act.

I am coping this letter to Rob Smith, Chief Executive of the Society of Local Council Clerks, Tony Crawley, Chief Officer of Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited and Howard Midworth, General Manager at Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments Limited.

Your sincerely,

**Chris Widgery**  
Deputy Director  
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