

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has notified the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) of the appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for the financial year 2020-21 is £8.32 per elector.

This is the amount as a result of increasing the amount of £8.12 for 2019-2020 by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for September 2019, in accordance with Schedule 12B to the 1972 Act.

Cllr Sue Baxter, chairman of NALC, responded: "NALC welcomes this earlier than usual notification from the government of the amount of Section 137 expenditure for local (parish and town) councils. This is important as Section 137 enables local councils to spend money for purposes for which they have no other specific statutory power, and will help England's 10,000 local authorities and communities."

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