

Sunderland Conservatives Budget 2023/24

Revenue (Saving)	
Reallocate part of the Neighbourhood Fund to neighbourhood priorities (outlined below)	£1,000,000
Reduction in the Corporate Affairs and Communications budget	£500,000
Reduction in the Events budget	£500,000
Cuts to councillors' allowances	£224,040
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merge Deputy Leader and Cabinet Secretary roles to create a Deputy Leader and Corporate Services role • Merge the four existing cabinet positions into three, to reflect the new Chief Officer Group structure: Environmental Services and City Development; Children, Education and Culture; Health, Housing and Communities • Reduce the Leader's SRA by £2,667 (leading to an automatic reduction in Majority Opposition Leader SRA) • Delete the Minority Opposition Leader's SRA • Delete the four Deputy Cabinet Member posts • Reduce the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Chair SRA by £9,556 • Reduce the Thematic Scrutiny Chair SRAs – totalling £6,537 • Reduce the five Area Committee Chair SRAs – totalling £36,750 • Reduce the Licensing Committee and Planning and Highways Committee Chair SRAs by £5,369 • Delete the SRAs for Vice Chairs of Scrutiny Co-ordinating, Planning and Highways, Licencing, and Area Committee – totalling £43,939 • Reduce the Mayoral allowance by £7,500 and the Deputy Mayoral allowance entirely 	
Reallocate part of the Public Health budget to a suicide prevention package (outlined below)	£150,000
Move to a full paperless model for e-magazine and meeting agendas	£139,000
Reduce the Members Support budget and move towards pre-recorded training tutorials	£100,000
Reduction in the Business and Investment budget, including the £59,908 that continues to be spent on Japan/America and international travel	£100,000
Reduction in TU facility time	£100,000
Revised profit projection for the Port	£50,000

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End chauffeured executive cars for the Mayor and Labour cabinet members	£42,190
Abolish councillors' expenses budget	£35,000
TOTAL	£2,940,230

Revenue (Spending)	
Reduce Labour's Council Tax increase	£2,320,216
A suicide prevention scheme to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing the suicide prevention work funded by DHSC • Suicide prevention infrastructure for Wearmouth Bridge – feasibility study 	£150,000
Making permits for residents in CPMS areas free across the city	£137,000
Park and Cemetery Wardens (x3)	£103,908
Expand the Council's arborist team (x2 senior arborists)	£76,208
Introduce 100 new bins across the city	£66,744
Sponsorship Manager for Sunderland Air Show and other events	£53,643
Develop a digital tourism campaign for Sunderland	£10,000
Introduce 10 Schools Streets schemes across the city	£10,000
Installation and maintenance of 10 new grit bins	£5,010
Asset transfer of Southern Area Playing Fields to a trust established by Washington United FC	£5,000
Increase CCTV monitoring capacity	£2,500
Increase the Carbon Reduction budget	£1
Introduce an Innovation Rewards scheme to improve Council efficiency	NIL
TOTAL	£2,940,230

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Capital (Saving)	
Delete the remaining F-Pit budget	£4,540,000
Reallocate the VAS budget to a general anti-speeding infrastructure fund	£100,000
TOTAL	£4,640,000

Capital (Spending)	
Traffic light system at the Broadway roundabout	£2,400,000
Road and Pavement Repair Fund	£1,500,000
Anti-speeding infrastructure fund	£250,000
Roker Park Lodge funding (community allotment)	£200,000
ANPR cameras for School Streets enforcement	£120,000
Pedestrianisation of Marine Walk	£100,000
Fulwell War Memorial upgrade	£50,000
CCTV camera at the Holiday Inn, Washington	£10,000
Develop and deliver, on a commercial basis, a Padel tennis court at Silksworth Tennis Centre	NIL
TOTAL	£4,630,000