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## **Budget consultation information**

29 August 2023

In the next three years, Mansfield District Council needs to save at least £4.5 million to balance its budget and do the things it promised with its money plan. Also, things might get more expensive, and the council might need to spend more money on certain things like rent and operating costs.

To make this work, the council has to change how it does things a lot. We need to decide what's really important for the people who live and work here, and make sure those things happen. Everything is getting more expensive, like energy, fuel, and materials, and that's causing problems for the council and other groups like it.

For the next three weeks, the council is asking for your thoughts online. We want to know what you think should change or be done less to save money. We also want you to understand how those changes might affect things in real life.

Once we've heard from people, the council will use those ideas to decide what to do about services that aren't absolutely necessary. These are the extra things they do, like events, the theatre, the Museum, and helping local businesses and volunteers.

Making choices to stop or change services isn't easy, but it's important to make the council stronger for the future.

We really want to know what you think. Please read the info provided online we a [www.mansfield.gov.uk/budgetconsultation](http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/budgetconsultation) and take the survey.

Your answers will be kept safe following their rules about keeping information private.