

# Croydon Constitutionalists

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## Taxing Times

Croydon's council taxpayers face an increase of over 5% in 2018, that's on top of 4.9% in 2017. Overall it's 17% since 2014.



## A shared sacrifice?

In 2016/17 Croydon had the highest basic allowance for councillors in London.



Charles Émile Jacque: Two Pigs Eating from a Trough, 1860

In 2018 they voted themselves a 2% pay increase for backbenchers and 4.4% for frontbenchers. In 2015/16 the council had 4 staff paid more than the Prime Minister

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## Value for Money?

- As of March 2017 Croydon Council, and you as taxpayers, are £1.73 billion in debt.
- In 2017 the council spent £1.1 million on resurfacing and street art installations to ‘improve’ Surrey Street Market. Rather than improve things the market increased the rate at which it lost traders!
- In 2018 the council sponsored Croydon Pride and paid over £35,000 to the event.
- In 2017 £160,000 went to Boxpark.
- Meanwhile Children's Services, looking after the most vulnerable people in Croydon are judged inadequate by Ofsted

Want to know more?

A great source for information is the TaxPayers' Alliance  
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