

London Borough of Tower Hamlets Summary of Accounts 2007 - 2008

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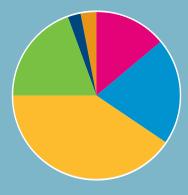
All figures relate to 2007 - 2008 unless otherwise stated.

REVENUE ACCOUNT

In summary the Council spent £1,365m. To balance this spending, we received £1,372m made up of Grants from the Government, interest on investments and charges for some services, and we raised £66m in Council Tax.

Services

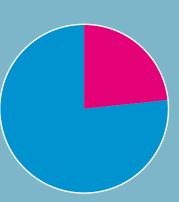
£million	Spending	Income	Cost	
Cultural, Environmental and Planning	112	57	55	•
Children's and Education Services	432	349	83	•
Highways, Roads and Transport	30	32	-2	
Housing	503	341	162	
Adult Social Care	102	24	78	•
Central Services	60	50	10	•
Corporate and Democratic Services	18	6	12	
Other Costs and Income	108	233	-125	
TOTAL FOR SERVICES	1365	1092	273	



Council Tax	-66	•
Formula Grant from Government	-214	•
Total income from formula grant		
and Council Tax	-280	
Surplus for the year	-7	

Reserves

Balance carried forward from March 2007	18
Difference between costs and income	
from formula grant and Council Tax	
transferred to balances	7
Balance carried forward to 2008/09	25



BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2008

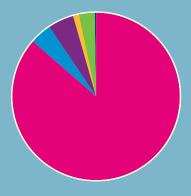
The balance sheet shows the overall financial position of the Council at the end of the year and how its assets (the value of what the Council owns or is owed) compared with its liabilities (obligations to others).

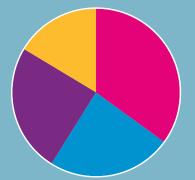
Assets

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Fixed Assets	1989	•
Investments	100	•
Short term amounts owed to the Council	111	•
Cash and bank balances	26	•
Long term amounts owed to the Council	73	•
Stocks and work in progress	3	•

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Liabilities

TOTAL ASSETS

Long term borrowing (note 1)	262	•
Pensions (future retirement of staff)	180	•
Short term amounts owed by the Council	185	•
Other liabilities	121	•
TOTAL LIABILITIES	748	

TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES (note 2)	1554

Notes:

- About £257m is repayable between 2012 and 2022
- 2 £127million is in cash balances. This includes: £26m for insurance, £28m for schools, £9m in capital reserves, £25m in the revenue account (see previous page) and £16m in the housing revenue account (see opposite)

CAPITAL SPENDING

TOTAL SPENDING

Capital spending is money spent on items that will be of benefit for more than one year.

Spending	£million	
Works to Council housing	29	•
Other land and buildings	17	•
Deferred charges (capital grants)	6	•
Infrastructure	5	•
Other spending	4	•



HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT

On 31st March 2008 the Council owned 13,093 homes (12,298 flats and 795 houses and bungalows). The average rent in 2007/08 was £76.39 a week. The table below shows the Council's day to day income and spending as a landlord.

Spending	£million	
Capital Charges	14	•
Supervision and Management	29	•
Repairs and Maintenance	23	•
Other Costs	43	•

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TOTAL SPENDING

Income

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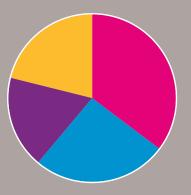
TOTAL INCOME

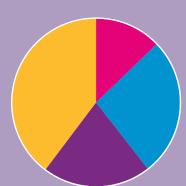
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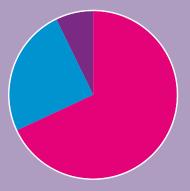
TOTAL FUNDING

HRA balance carried forward to 2008/09	35	
Difference between costs of services this year and income paid into balances	2	
HRA balance carried forward from 2006/07	33	
HDA balance corriad forward from 2006/07	22	

Funding	£million	
Borrowing	22	•
Government grants	16	•
Sale of assets	13	•
Money from revenue account	10	•







COUNCIL HOTLINES

Contact the service you need on the following numbers:

020 7364 5001 -	Housing Benefits
020 7364 5002	Council Tax
020 7364 5003	Parking Services
020 7364 5004	Streetline
020 7364 5005	Adult Social Care
020 7364 5006	Children's Services
	(including Education and
	Children's Social Services)
020 7364 5007	Pest and Noise Nuisance
020 7364 5008	Environmental Health, Trading
	Standards and Licensing
020 7364 5009	Planning and Development
020 7364 5010	Business Rates
020 7364 5011	Recruitment Line
020 7364 5012	Electoral Services

General Enquiries

For other council enquiries you can call the General Enquiry line on:

020 7364 5020

Useful Housing Numbers

0800 376 1637	Housing Repairs
020 7364 7507	Housing Advice if you live in
	E14
020 7364 3558	Housing Advice if you live in
	E1, E2, E3
020 7364 7474	Homeless Service
0845 270 2400	Choice Based Lettings -
	Homeseekers

Report it

If you need to report an incident, use one of our 24-hour freephone numbers:

0800 917 5918 Anti-Social Behaviour 0800 138 0521 Hate Crimes

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person you need to speak to or the department you need to contact, call the Switchboard on:

020 7364 5000

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Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm



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If you require any information or have any comments regarding this document, or anything else concerning the finances of the council, please contact Alan Finch, Head of Corporate Finance, at the address on page 1 or email alan.finch@towerhamlets.gov.uk or telephone on 0207 364 4700.