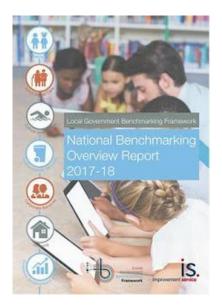


Local Government Benchmarking Framework: Overview Report 2017/18

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The local Government Framework Benchmarking Report for 2017/18 has now been published. The annual <u>benchmark report</u> is a useful source of accurate information on what's happening in service across local authorities. The report gives detailed figures for spending across services and is therefore very useful for branches anti cuts campaigns.



Total revenue funding for councils has fallen by 8% in real terms across the 8 years since 2010/11. Spending on teacher numbers and social care has been relatively protected. But since education and social care make up 70% of expenditure within the bench-marking framework this means substantial cuts have had to fall onto other areas.

Key figures

- a 22% reduction in culture and leisure spending
- a 34% reduction in planning
- · almost 15% reduction in roads spending and
- almost 10% in environmental services spending

Further details of cuts can be found <u>here</u>. For more info please contact Kay Sillars on <u>k.sillars@unison.co.uk</u>

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