

A TWO YEAR COUNCIL TAX FREEZE

**Conservatives
will freeze
council tax
for two years**

**Under Labour council tax bills
have more than doubled.**

**In 1997 the average Band D
bill was £688**

**This year the average
bill is £1,374**



It's time the Government tightened its belt like the rest of the country.

Conservatives will slash wasteful spending on Government advertising and expensive private sector consultants – and with the co-operation of local councils, use the money to freeze your council tax bill.

Instead of rising council tax bills under Labour, millions of families will get help at the time they need it most.



Conservatives

CONSERVATIVE POLICIES TO HELP FAMILIES COPE WITH THE RISING COST OF LIVING

HELP AT THE PUMPS

We will introduce a Fair Fuel Stabiliser – when fuel prices go up, fuel duty would fall.

HELP FOR FAMILIES

As we save money on wasteful welfare, we will abolish Labour's couple penalty in the tax credits system – giving 1.8 million couples an extra £2,000 a year.

HELP FOR FIRST-TIME BUYERS

We will permanently abolish Stamp Duty for first-time buyers on purchases up to £250,000 – nine out of ten first-time buyers will pay no Stamp Duty at all, saving an average of £2,000 each.

HELP WITH YOUR BILLS

We will cut the energy and gas bills of up to four million people by £100 by reforming Post Office Accounts to allow families without bank accounts to access cheaper tariffs.

HELP FOR MOTORISTS

We will oppose Labour's new tax on family cars, which will hit 1 million owners of family cars bought up to 7 years ago with tax rises of up to £250.

**Plan
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Change**

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