West Yorkshire Combined Authority

The West Yorkshire Combined Authority is committed to creating a brighter region that works for all.

Working closely with our partner local authorities (Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield), we are keen to deliver the shared vision of the <u>West Yorkshire Plan</u> and make life better for people in our local communities.

Much of our annual revenue income comes from the transport levy, which is collected by our partner councils through council tax. In 2025-26, the Combined Authority's levy funding will be £92 million – a level which has been almost unchanged in over 10 years and represents a real-terms fall in the levy. This helps keep costs low for the residents of West Yorkshire in these challenging times.

We use levy funding to support and maintain our transport network, keep fares affordable and support bus routes and services that aren't covered by commercial providers. This year, we will commit £37.7 million to funding concessionary travel schemes for older and disabled people, £35.5m on subsidised travel for young people and £71 million on other transport priorities.

We also lead many projects not funded by council tax, including employment and skills programmes. Here's an overview of our income and expenditure in 2025-26:

What the money is spent on	£000s	
Infrastructure for growth (Transport)	437,374	49.02%
Adult Education	72,893	8.17%
Growing businesses	56,448	6.33%
Corporate services	56,428	6.32%
Passenger services	48,819	5.47%
Concessionary travel (senior, blind and disabled)	37,729	4.23%
Concessionary travel (young people)	35,545	3.98%
Skilled people, better jobs	25,246	2.83%
Economic and transport policy and delivery	23,031	2.58%
Subsidised bus services	22,216	2.49%
Energy and environmental resilience	21,263	2.38%
Education transport	18,164	2.04%
Infrastructure for growth (Housing & Regeneration)	17,235	1.93%
Finance charges	8,577	0.96%
Police & Crime Commissioner	7,038	0.79%
Other corporate projects	4,175	0.47%
Total expenditure	892,180	

Where our funding comes from

City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement	220,975	24.77%
Transforming Cities Fund	107,103	12.00%
Transport Levy	92,198	10.33%
Transport Fund	88,655	9.94%
Other	79,921	8.96%
Education & Skills Funding Agency	77,565	8.69%
Other Transport Funding	61,930	6.94%
Gainshare	61,709	6.92%
Investment Zones/UKSPF	47,139	5.28%
Capital Receipts	39,461	4.42%
Gainshare (funded by revenue)	12,387	1.39%
Police Precept	2,468	0.28%
Local Transport Capital Funding	669	0.07%
Brownfield Housing Fund	0	0.00%
Local Enterprise Partnership Funding	0	0.00%

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