P-06-1330 We call on the Welsh Government to reject their proposals for a council tax revaluation

This petition was submitted by David TC Davies MP, having collected a total of 3,324 signatures.

Text of Petition:

Monmouthshire residents face astronomical council tax hikes if proposals to revalue homes go ahead.

A revaluation of all 1.5 million properties in Wales is being suggested in a Welsh Government consultation. Under 'A Fairer Council Tax' – new bands would be created and new tax rates for each band would be set. Included in the consultation are links to reports by the Institute for Fiscal Studies and University of Sheffield estimating the extra costs people will face in different parts of Wales.

Additional Information:

This consultation shows that nearly 4 out of 10 homeowners in Monmouthshire will move up a band and face paying £100s more each year in council tax, while less than 1 out of 10 would pay less by moving down a band.

Residents already face an unfair council tax burden because it is the lowest funded local authority area in Wales. The shortfall between what is received from the Welsh Labour Government and what the council spends is made up by council tax.

Monmouthshire is likely to be a net loser from these proposals potentially pushing hard-pressed families into much higher council tax bands, making it even more expensive and for some local people unaffordable to live here at a time when many are struggling with the cost of living.

I urge Monmouthshire residents to sign this petition so that action can be taken by the Senedd to influence the policy of Welsh Government.

<u>www.david-davies.org.uk/news/monmouthshire-residents-face-council-</u> tax-bombshell-under-welsh-government-plans

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