

# Gateshead

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Overall provision of services, allocation of resources and value for money

The council priorities services not directly relevant to the vast majority and although paying lip service to certain aspects of encouraging people's well-being are considering, at the same time, closing leisure centres and swimming pools due to "lack of resources". When compared to other local authorities Gateshead levy some of the highest council tax charges in the country without the commensurate services. I feel that the reduction in councillor numbers to approaching the national average would release more resources for basic projects to benefit the local community and reduce the number of vested interests when making decisions.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*