

Local government services pay agreement 2025/26

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The National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an agreement on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. We encourage employers to implement this pay award as soon as possible.

Backpay for employees who have left employment since 1 April 2025. If an ex-employee requests it, we recommend that employers pay any monies due to that employee from 1 April 2025 to the employee's last day of employment. The table below lists the new pay scales for clerks and other employees employed under the terms of the model contract, including SCPs 50 and above. These should be retrospectively applied from 1 April 2025.

Hourly rates have been calculated using the NJC-agreed formula: annual salary divided by 52.143 weeks (which is 365 days divided by 7) divided by 37 hours (the standard working week).

* Hourly rates

	1 April 2024		1 April 2025		Scale ranges
SCP	£ per annum	* £ per hour	£ per annum	* £ per hour	Based on SCP
2	£23,656	£12.26	£24,413	£12.65	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
3	£24,027	£12.45	£24,796	£12.85	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
4	£24,404	£12.65	£25,185	£13.05	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
5	£24,790	£12.85	£25,583	£13.26	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
5	£24,790	£12.85	£25,583	£13.26	LC1 (below substantive range)
6	£25,183	£13.05	£25,989	£13.47	LC1 (below substantive range)
7	£25,584	£13.26	£26,403	£13.69	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)

8	£25,992	£13.47	£26,824	£13.90	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
9	£26,409	£13.69	£27,254	£14.13	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
10	£26,835	£13.91	£27,694	£14.35	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
11	£27,269	£14.13	£28,142	£14.59	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
12	£27,711	£14.36	£28,598	£14.82	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
13	£28,163	£14.60	£29,064	£15.06	LC1 (above substantive range)
14	£28,624	£14.84	£29,540	£15.31	LC1 (above substantive range)
15	£29,093	£15.08	£30,024	£15.56	LC1 (above substantive range)
16	£29,572	£15.33	£30,518	£15.82	LC1 (above substantive range)
17	£30,060	£15.58	£31,022	£16.08	LC1 (above substantive range)
18	£30,559	£15.84	£31,537	£16.35	LC2 (below substantive range)
19	£31,067	£16.10	£32,061	£16.62	LC2 (below substantive range)
20	£31,586	£16.37	£32,597	£16.90	LC2 (below substantive range)
21	£32,115	£16.65	£33,143	£17.18	LC2 (below substantive range)
22	£32,654	£16.93	£33,699	£17.47	LC2 (below substantive range)
23	£33,366	£17.29	£34,434	£17.85	LC2 (below substantive range)
24	£34,314	£17.79	£35,412	£18.35	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)

25	£35,235	£18.26	£36,363	£18.85	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
26	£36,124	£18.72	£37,280	£19.32	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
27	£37,035	£19.20	£38,220	£19.81	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
28	£37,938	£19.66	£39,152	£20.29	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
29	£38,626	£20.02	£39,862	£20.66	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
30	£39,513	£20.48	£40,777	£21.14	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
31	£40,476	£20.98	£41,771	£21.65	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
32	£41,511	£21.52	£42,839	£22.20	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
33	£42,708	£22.14	£44,075	£22.85	LC3 (below substantive range)
34	£43,693	£22.65	£45,091	£23.37	LC3 (below substantive range)
35	£44,711	£23.17	£46,142	£23.92	LC3 (below substantive range)
36	£45,718	£23.70	£47,181	£24.46	LC3 (below substantive range)
37	£46,731	£24.22	£48,226	£25.00	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
38	£47,754	£24.75	£49,282	£25.54	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
39	£48,710	£25.25	£50,269	£26.06	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
40	£49,764	£25.79	£51,356	£26.62	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
41	£50,788	£26.32	£52,413	£27.17	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)

42	£51,802	£26.85	£53,460	£27.71	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
43	£52,805	£27.37	£54,495	£28.25	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
44	£54,071	£28.03	£55,801	£28.92	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
45	£55,367	£28.70	£57,139	£29.62	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
46	£56,708	£29.39	£58,523	£30.33	LC4 (below substantive range)
47	£58,064	£30.10	£59,922	£31.06	LC4 (below substantive range)
48	£59,300	£30.74	£61,198	£31.72	LC4 (below substantive range)
49	£60,903	£31.57	£62,852	£32.58	LC4 (below substantive range)
50	£62,377	£32.33	£64,373	£33.37	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
51	£63,881	£33.11	£65,925	£34.17	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
52	£65,943	£34.18	£68,053	£35.27	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
53	£68,000	£35.25	£70,176	£36.37	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
54	£70,065	£36.32	£72,307	£37.48	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
55	£72,145	£37.39	£74,454	£38.59	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
56	£74,198	£38.46	£76,572	£39.69	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
57	£76,277	£39.54	£78,718	£40.80	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
58	£78,315	£40.59	£80,821	£41.89	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)

59	£80,247	£41.59	£82,815	£42.93	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
60	£82,221	£42.62	£84,852	£43.98	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
61	£84,243	£43.67	£86,939	£45.06	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
62	£86,319	£44.74	£89,081	£46.17	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)