

Due to a quick turnaround time, as a result of a changeover of our officer, we have only managed to get comments from a couple of our Council members, which are outlined below:

- Duty on Alcohol and Tobacco should be aligned, with both increasing by RPI, or a below RPI of 2%.
- We agree with freezing duty on fuel, but would also recommend removing the 9% climate tax for a period, say one year, to be reviewed after that.
- We don't agree with freezing vehicle emissions duty, as it will only result in used car prices rising for consumers, and has no effect on global climate change.
- We think the reduction of import GST should be deferred until 1 January 2024 at the earliest, to help consumers. If possible, GST should be removed from food and essentials.
- Making benefits in kind tax exempt will have very little effect and should not be extended.