

Reporting on Renfrewshire Council

A new report on how Renfrewshire Council is performing has been published by the Accounts Commission.

[Read the report](#) to find out how well your council is performing, the challenges facing councillors and what's being done to improve the lives of everyone living in Renfrewshire.

The Accounts Commission, which is completely independent from Renfrewshire Council, reports that the council continues to improve and is making encouraging progress in the performance of its services.

In its findings the Commission says:

- it is encouraged by evidence of improving service performance by the council since their [previous report in 2006](#). The council is working well with its partners in addressing long-term social and economic challenges faced by Renfrewshire communities
- the council has a clear and ambitious vision for the future. But with more demand for services, an ageing population, and significant health and economic inequalities, council leaders face major challenges
- the council is currently looking at the ways in which it engages with citizens and communities, but the council should build on its experience in consulting with local people and communities as it takes forward the task of redesigning services that meet future needs and demands
- to meet future challenges, the council needs to agree how they can best use the staff available to deliver services in the future
- the council needs to look at ways to make its relationship with Renfrewshire Leisure Limited more transparent and clear
- it is important that councillors work well together and ensure they take advantage of training opportunities. This will help them tackle the significant challenges they face.

[In the report](#) you can find out more about these challenges facing Renfrewshire and how the council is tackling them.

What happens next?

Renfrewshire Council will now formally consider the findings at its meeting on 28 September. Audit Scotland – will monitor and report on progress to the Accounts Commission. This is done through the annual y audit report on the council which is published in October each year.

About the Accounts Commission

The Accounts Commission is the independent public spending watchdog for local government. It holds councils in Scotland to account and helps them improve by reporting to the public on their performance. [Find out more on our website.](#)

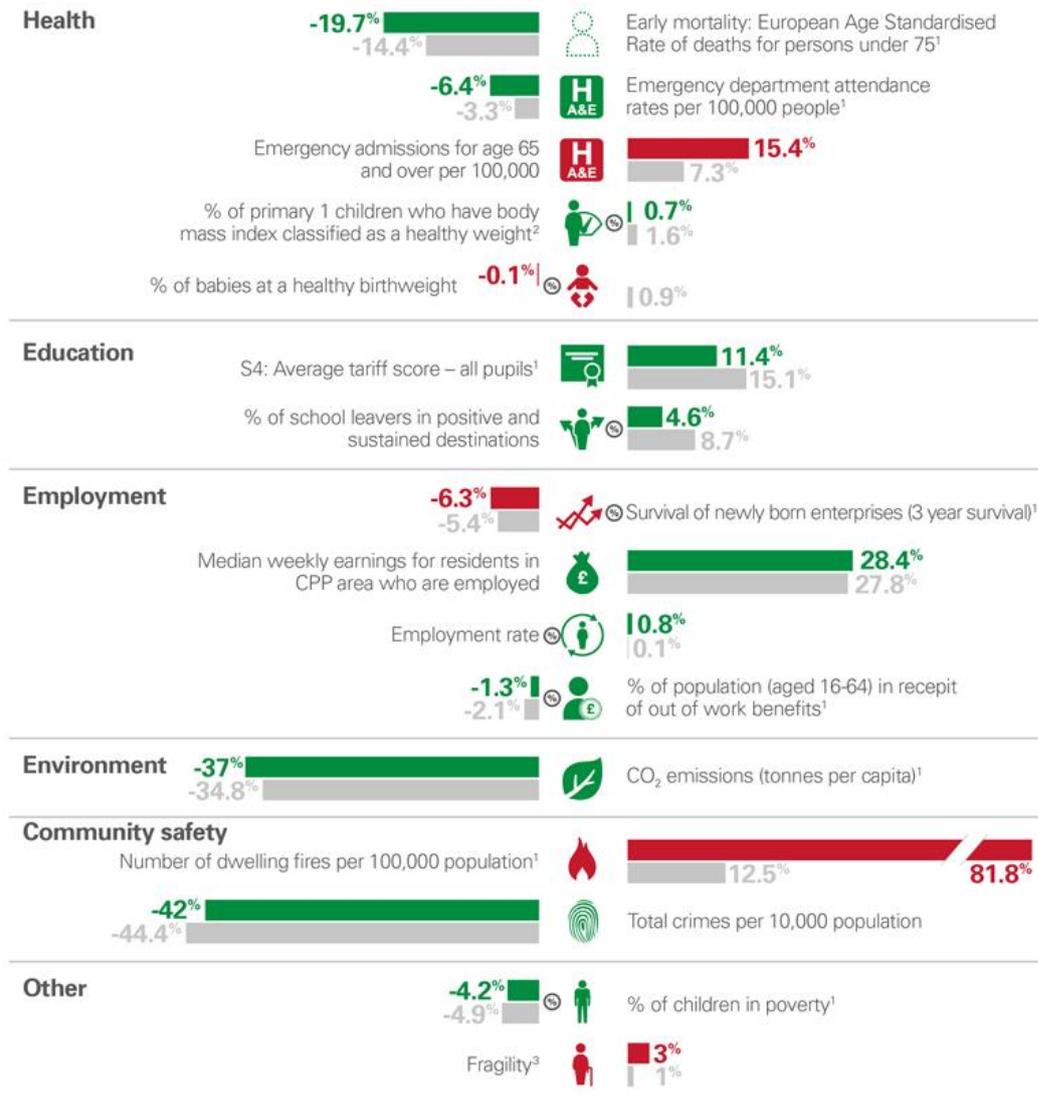
What's a Best Value report?

Best Value is about ensuring public organisations are well managed, focus on improvement and deliver the best possible services for the public. [Find out more.](#)

Exhibit 11

Change in performance for Renfrewshire outcomes, 2004/05 – 2014/15

Outcomes for Renfrewshire's communities are generally improving, with 11 out of 16 indicators showing improvement.



Renfrewshire Scotland

(%) Percentage point change – raw data is not available therefore absolute changes are shown.

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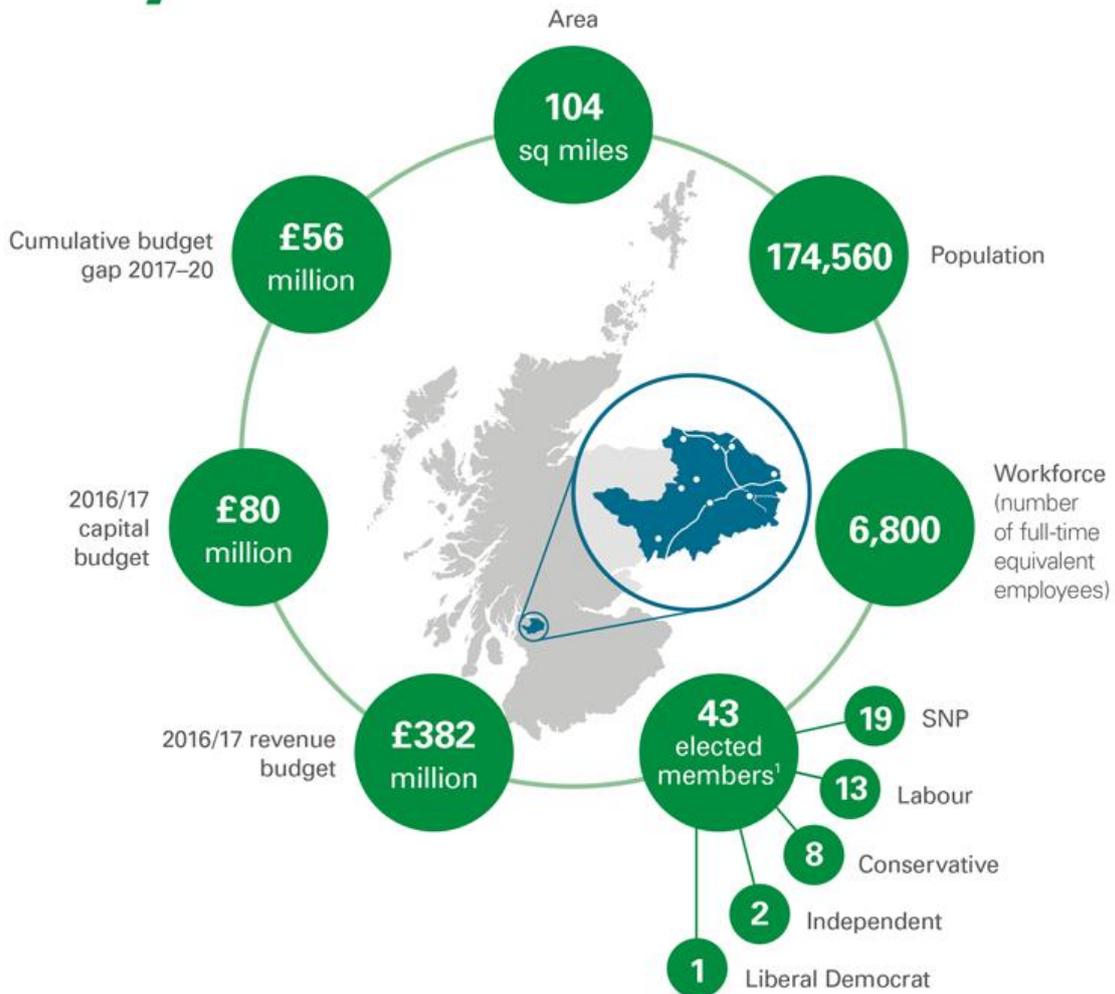
1. Imputed and projected data has been calculated using different methodologies for different measures where raw data is not yet available.

2. Primary 1 BMI figures are based on a three-year rolling average.

3. Fragility is a weighted combination of three indicators: depopulation, rural depopulation and old age dependency ratio.

Source: Audit Scotland; and *Community Planning Outcomes Profile*, Improvement Service, 2014/15

Key facts



Note: 1. Following the local elections in May 2017 the council is run by an SNP minority administration. The council's political make-up prior to the 2017 council elections: Labour – 22, SNP – 15, Conservative – 1, Liberal Democrat – 1, Independent – 1.