



HM Treasury

1 Horse Guards Road  
London  
SW1A 2HQ

The Rt Hon Sir George Howarth MP  
House of Commons  
London  
SW1A 0AA

15 November 2022

Dear Sir George Howarth,

Thank you for your correspondence dated 21 October on behalf of your constituents regarding Local Authority Spending.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has commissioned the Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) to produce an economic and fiscal forecast for Thursday 17 November 2022. The Chancellor will, as usual, make a statement to Parliament in response to the forecast.

The Budget Responsibility and National Audit Act 2011 requires the OBR to produce a forecast on at least two occasions each financial year. Budgets, by contrast, are only required (though not limited to) once each financial year.

As is typical, we have not formally invited representations for the Autumn Statement. However, the contents of your letter have been registered with HM Treasury.

I hope this is helpful. If you have any questions about this reply, please email [public.enquiries@hmtreasury.gov.uk](mailto:public.enquiries@hmtreasury.gov.uk) quoting reference MC2022/20826.

Yours sincerely,

Correspondence and Enquiry Unit  
HM Treasury