

[1 in 2 local authorities to see cuts to per pupil funding this year](#)

- 83 of 150 local authorities in England will see per pupil funding fall in in real terms during 2017-18, i.e. once inflation is taken into account.
- England as a whole will see spending per spending per pupil fall by £29 (0.65%) in real terms.
- Local authorities with some of the worst school results in England, including Blackpool, the Isle of Wight and Poole, will be hardest hit by the funding cuts
- The South East will see the largest real-terms fall, with funding per pupil falling by £131 (3%.)

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[UK facing “fly-tipping epidemic” with 1 million incidents in a year](#)

- Local authorities in England recorded 1,002,154 cases of fly-tipping in 2016-17, up 7% on the previous year. This is equivalent to 114 every hour.
- The estimated cost to the taxpayer for clearing up fly-tipping was £58 million, up 16% on the previous year
- The number of prosecutions for fly-tipping fell by a quarter to 1,602, compared to 2,135 the previous year

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Knife crime was up 26% year-on-year, while overall crimes increased by 13%.

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Meanwhile, prices in the shops increased by 3.3% compared to last year, the largest annual rise since March 2012.

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"Labour's Brexit blank cheque was cashed in by Theresa May six months ago, after Labour MPs were ordered to vote through Article 50 with no conditions.

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