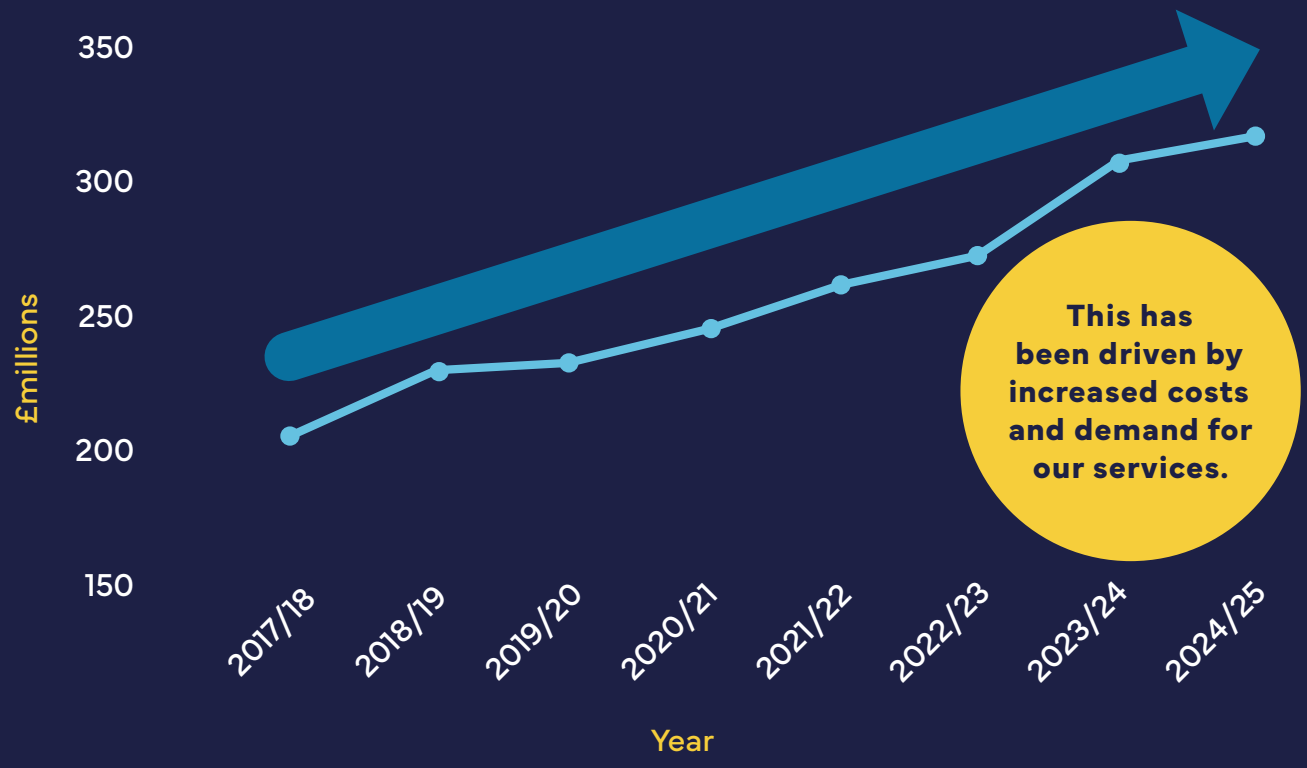
Cost and demand pressures on the council's finances.

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The amount we need to spend to deliver services has increased by **56.4%** since 2017/18.



The increasing costs of delivering services.

- Increasing costs of fuel, heating and electricity
- Increasing complexity of social care needs, requiring more specialist and one-on-one support
- Increasing costs of raw materials for road repairs and wider maintenance
- Increasing fees for residential, nursing and at home care

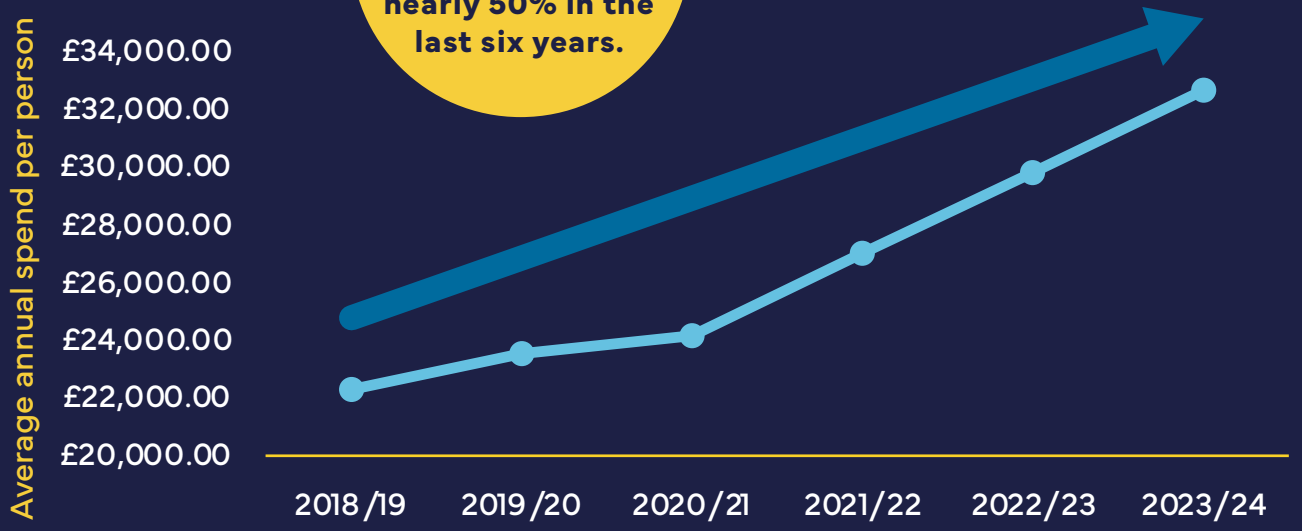
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The cost of looking after children in care has **doubled** in the last 6 years*.



The average annual spend on care for adults has increased by nearly 50% in the last six years.



*Profit making and Risk in Independent Children's Social Care Placement Providers report commissioned by the LGA, September 2023.

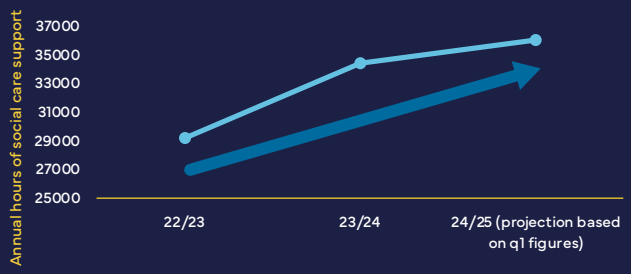
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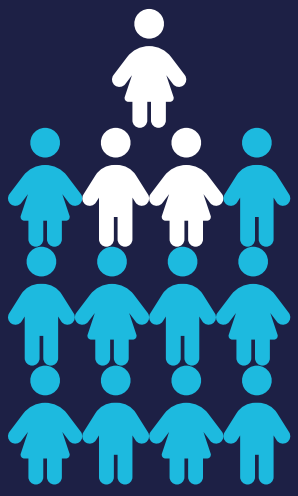
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At the same time, need and demand are also increasing.

- Ageing population
- Increase in mental health issues
- Increase in child poverty
- Impact of climate
- More family breakdowns
- More roads and infrastructure to maintain

In just three years, the number of hours of social care support we are providing has risen by **23%**.





The proportion of children with an EHCP (Educational, Health and care Plan) has increased by **30%** since 2019/20.

43%

increase in requests for environmental health related support (issues with noise, pests etc.) over the last 10 years.