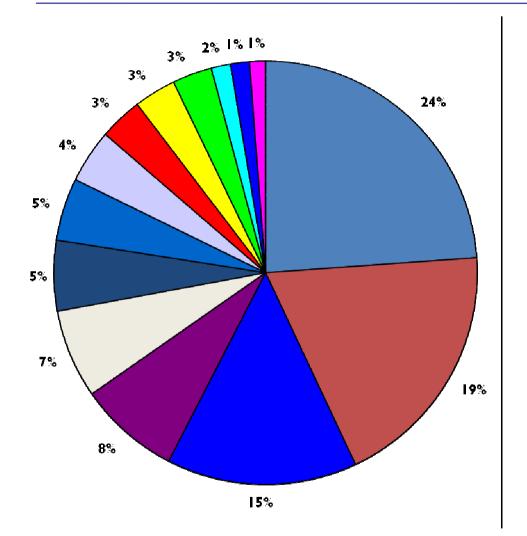
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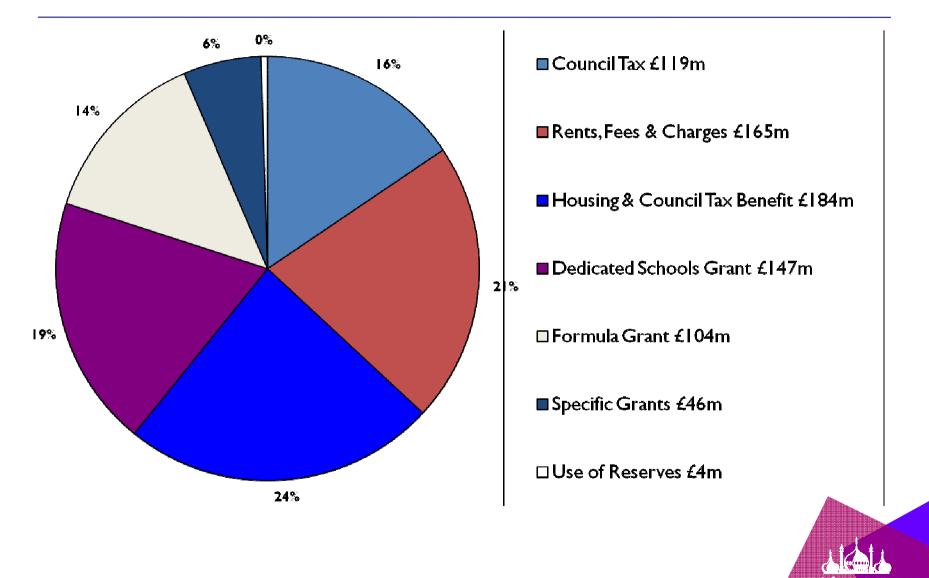
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Sources of funding in 2012/13



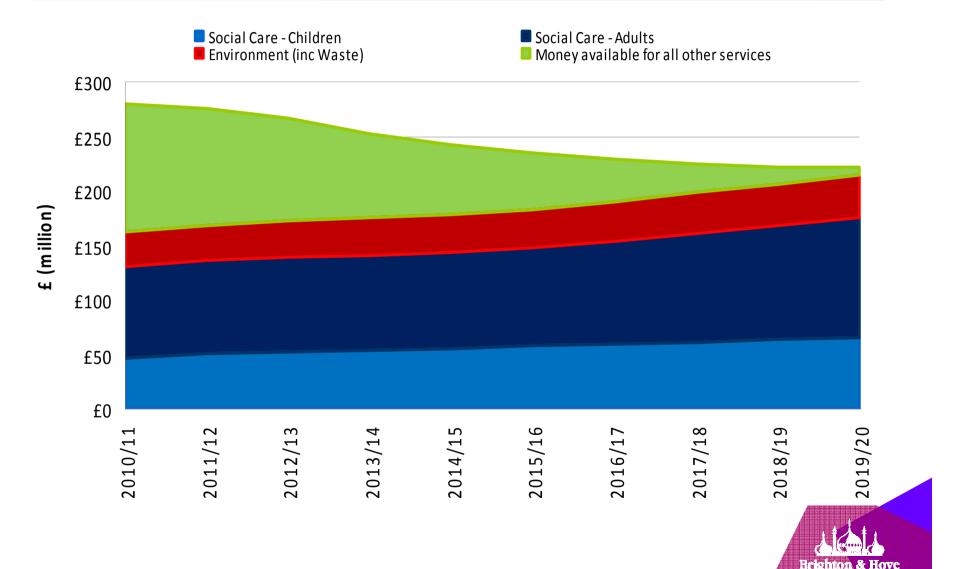
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Major issues with financial implications

- Welfare agenda (universal credit / council tax support)
- Ageing population and increases in pupil numbers
- Business rates retention / local government finance changes
- Reductions in Government funding
- Restrictions in council tax increases
- Improving the local economy / providing new jobs
- Providing affordable homes
- Development of academies and free schools
- Transfer in of public health responsibilities
- Developing the local transport infrastructure



LGA Model for Brighton & Hove CC (General Fund spending net of fees & charges)



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Budget Gap

The budget gap is growing over the 3 years because resource forecasts are falling:

- •Council tax increases are being restricted and will continue to be until the next general election.
- •Local Government national spending control totals are falling.
- •Some grants are being cut to provide funding for new government initiatives.
- •Local Business Rates income is failing to keep pace with national growth assumptions.

