

#### COUNCIL TAX ONLINE - VIEWING YOUR ACCOUNT and NOTICES

#### Introduction

This guide provides a step by step instruction on how to use the Council Tax Online Service to view your Council Tax account and Notices. It includes a trouble shooting guide to help with any problems.

To do this you will need to provide -

- ✓ Your name and address as it appears on your Council Tax Bill;
- ✓ Your 11 digit Council Tax Number; and
- ✓ Your 10 character Online Key as shown on your latest Council Tax Bill or Notice.

How to view your account and notices

Step 1 – go the Council Tax home page at <a href="https://www.burnley.gov.uk/counciltax">www.burnley.gov.uk/counciltax</a>

Step 2 – select the 'Council Tax online' text

www.burnley.gov.uk/counciltaxonline

Step 3 – select the 'Account Details' option

#### Account Details

Use your Council Tax Reference Number or your Business Rates Reference Number and your Online Key to view:

- · Your Payment History
- A Breakdown of charges and payments for any year
- . Copies of any reminders or bills we have sent to you

Start

Step 4 – Input the address of the property subject to Council Tax



You should be able to find the address just by typing in the post code and the first part of the address i.e. 7, 34b, Flat 6, Apartment 24

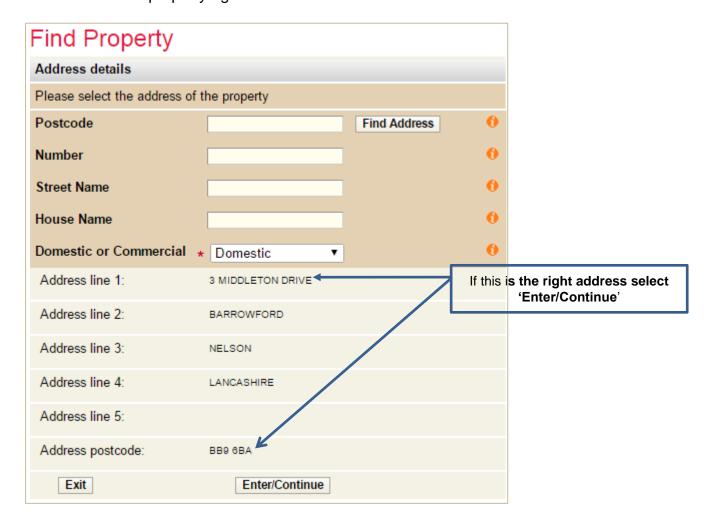
Important: Leave a space between the first and second part of the post code

Step 5 – Select 'Find Address' and you will be presented with an address or a list of addresses to choose from. Click on the property reference number by your address.





Step 6 – the next screen should show the address you are after. If it does, select 'Next'. If not search for the property again.

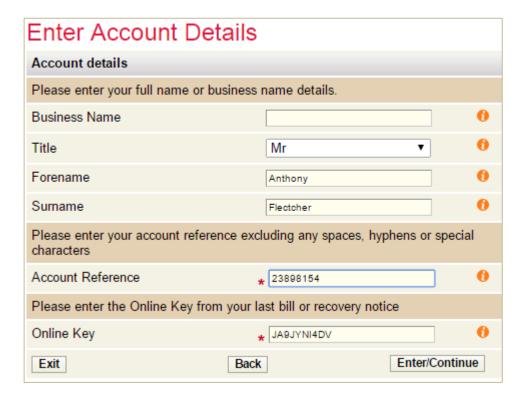




## Step 7 (see over) Enter -

- Your name as it appears on your Council Tax Bill or Notice
- Your 11 digit Council Tax account number
- The 10 character Online key as shown on your latest bill or notice

### Then select 'Next'

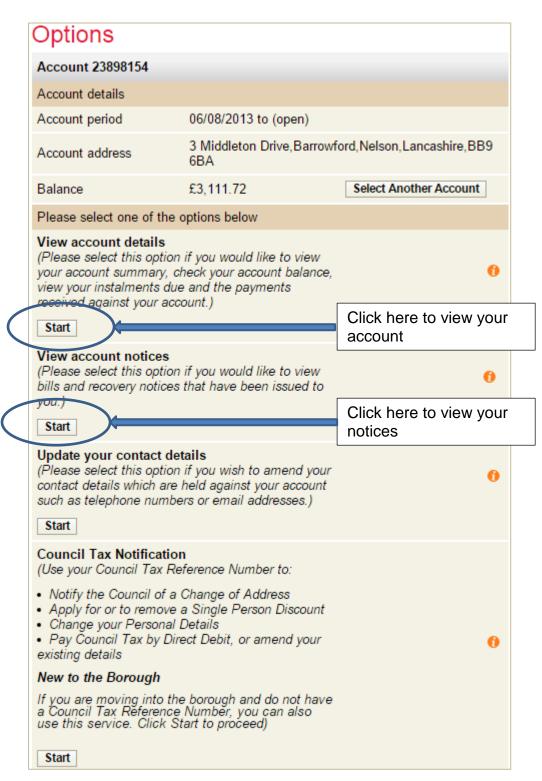


Important: This information must match exactly what is shown on our records. Take care when entering the Online key and watch out for characters that can easily be mistaken i.e. letter 'O' and the number '0'; letter 'I 'and the number '1'.



Step 8 – You will be presented with a number of options as shown overleaf.

To view your account, select 'View Account Details'. To see the notices sent select 'View Account Notices'





What you will see when viewing your account

You will see a summary of the Council Tax charge, details of instalments due and payment made -



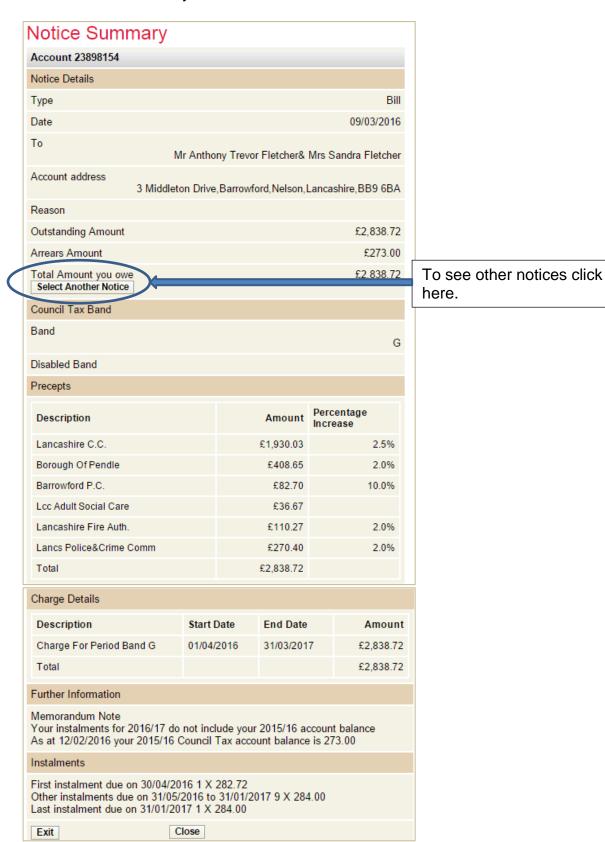
You can also view previous payments.

Payments made		
Payment Processed Date	Description	Amount
30/04/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-274.99
01/06/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
30/06/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
31/07/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
01/09/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
30/09/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
02/11/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
30/11/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
31/12/2015	Direct Debit Receipt	£-273.00
Print Payments View More Payments		
Exit		

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What you will see when viewing your notices

You will see a summary of the last notice sent.





## **Troubleshooting**

- Q. I don't have an Online key. Where is it?
- A. Online keys are printed on all bills and notices, such as reminders. You need to use the one shown on your latest bill or notice. This is a security device to ensure that taxpayers can only access their records. If you can't find a key contact the Council Tax section who will send a new bill with a new key.
- Q. The name shown on the bill is incorrect e.g. misspelt. What do I enter?
- A. Enter the name as it appears on the bill. You can go online to correct it by selecting 'Council Tax **Update' on the Council Tax Onl**ine home page.
- Q. I have input the address correctly but I am getting a message saying it cannot be found?
- A. Make sure you enter the property address as shown on the bill. This should be the address for which Council Tax is being charged. Check you have left a space between the first and second part of the post code and input the correct start of the address e.g. if the bill shows 'Apartment 22' then entering just '22' in the Number field will not find the property you are after.
- Q. I have put in all my details but I am getting this message -

## ⚠ The credentials you have entered are invalid

A. Is your full name shown on your bill? If there is no first name or only an initial e.g. Mr J Smith, **the Council Tax Online** Service cannot verify your details. Please contact the Council Tax office to have your full name on our records.

Check the name entered is the same as shown on your bill. Ensure you have entered the full 11 digit account number.

If that does not work, go to your browser settings and clear your browsing history.

If you are still having difficulties please send details of what you were trying to do and, if possible, screen prints to <a href="mailto:customerservices@burnley.gov.uk">customerservices@burnley.gov.uk</a>.