

# Gateshead

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## Comment text:

Gateshead council is in a very bad financial situation and many services have been cut or handed over to volunteers to run. And yet the council leaders keep finding reasons why they should not cut their own numbers, which seem excessive for what is not a large borough - geographically it might stretch some distance but in terms of population (and who councillors represent) it barely makes the top 100. They continue to have more councillors than others larger than them and dismiss any talk of the subject. It seems part of the wider vanity exercises going on with new concert venues and hotels for an area that needs libraries and grassroots sport facilities. I would certainly reduce the number of councillors.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*