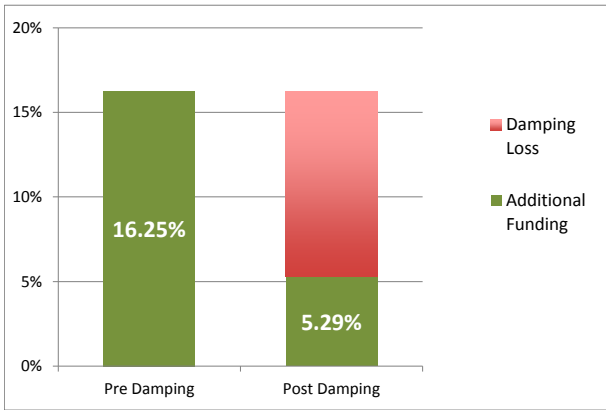


Authority: King's Lynn and West Norfolk

Urban Comparator: North East Lincolnshire

Changes to funding attributable to Rural Services Technical Adjustments - Pre and Post Damping

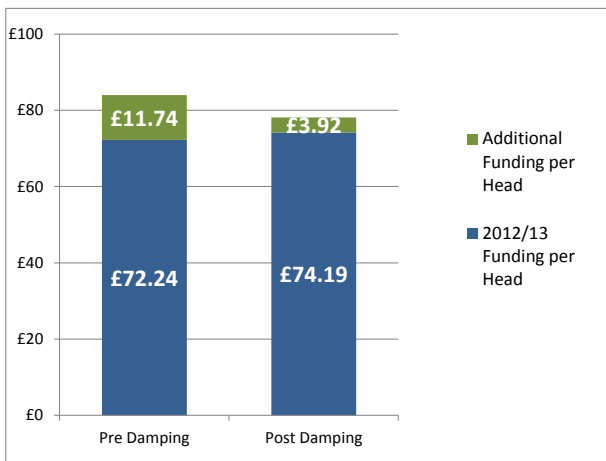


King's Lynn and West Norfolk Exemplifications Data

	Pre Damping	Post Damping	Difference
2012/13 Funding	10,648,004	10,936,451	
Impact of Rural Services Adjustment	1,730,267	578,102	<b>-67%</b>
2012/13 Funding with Adjustment	12,378,271	11,514,554	
<b>Percentage change arising from Rural Services Adjustment</b>	<b>16.25%</b>	<b>5.29%</b>	

The graph and table show that King's Lynn and West Norfolk would have had a pre-damping 16.25% increase in funding if the rural services adjustment had been implemented in 2012/13. However, damping would have reduced that gain arising from the rural service technical adjustment to 5.29%. Consequently, damping reduces the impact of the rural services technical adjustment by 67% for King's Lynn and West Norfolk.

Impact of the changes attributable to Rural Services Technical Adjustments on Funding - Pre and Post Damping

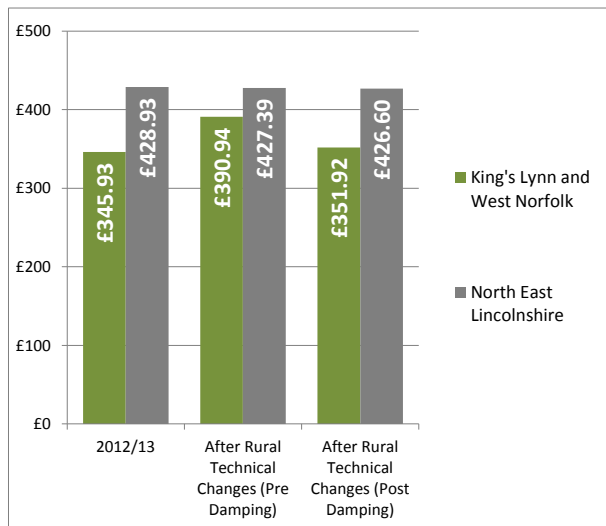


The impact of the **positive** rural services technical adjustment and the subsequent **negative** impact of damping can be seen in this graph.

The pre-damping impact for King's Lynn and West Norfolk is a funding gain of £11.74 per head. For this reason, we feel that it is important that King's Lynn and West Norfolk supports the rural services technical adjustment in the consultation.

However, the post-damping impact for King's Lynn and West Norfolk is a much reduced funding gain of £3.92 per head. For this reason, SPARSE Rural have called on the Government to find a way of ensuring that a greater proportion of the pre-damping gains arising from the rural services technical adjustment are realised as cash funding.

Impact of the changes attributable to Rural Services Technical Adjustments on Funding - Comparison with Nearest Urban Authority - post damping



Comparison of Impact of Technical Changes - King's Lynn and West Norfolk v North East Lincolnshire

To provide a comparison, in two tier areas, County and District funding has been added together. So, in order to be comparable with North East Lincolnshire which is a unitary authority King's Lynn and West Norfolk's funding per head has been added to that of Norfolk County Council.

In 2012/13, King's Lynn and West Norfolk received £83.01 less funding per head than North East Lincolnshire.

Prior to damping, the gains attributable to the rural services technical adjustment would have resulted in a closing of the gap between North East Lincolnshire and King's Lynn and West Norfolk to £36.45 per head. This is a significant improvement for rural areas and SPARSE Rural has welcomed the changes in the recent Business Rates consultation.

As shown above, the damping block significantly reduces the gains arising from the rural services technical adjustment. After damping the gap in funding between North East Lincolnshire and King's Lynn and West Norfolk increases to £74.68 per head.