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This article reports that France’s municipal councils have been given the power to increase property tax assessments (under Taxe Fonciere) to reflect “comfort features”. The features seen as luxuries when the cadastre values were last considered in the 1970s include running water, gas, electricity, a bath, a shower, mains drainage and central heating. The councils will be able to add for features on the assumption that they are present.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[France's property tax increase: Impact of undeclared home upgrades](#)