

POLICING SURREY 2018/19

How your Council Tax helps fund Surrey Police



Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey



Message from David Munro, Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

Setting the policing element of the council tax is one of my key tasks as your PCC and this year it has been a particularly tough decision to make. In December, the Government announced they were lifting the policing precept cap from 2% to the equivalent of 5.3% across all bands.

Asking the public to pay more money for their police service is not a responsibility I take lightly. However, I must balance the tax burden on the county's residents with ensuring Surrey Police has sufficient resources to sustain our policing service and keep us all safe.

My proposal for the 5.3% rise was endorsed by the Police and Crime Panel meaning the cost for the policing part of the council tax has been set at £236.57 for a Band D property. Around 60% of those who responded to our public consultation supported the increase and I would like to thank all those who filled in the survey and gave us their views.

Recorded crime is rising across the country and we are not immune here in Surrey. Demand is continuing to increase, not only in emerging areas such as domestic abuse, but also in the reporting of more traditional crimes such as burglary.

The financial strain on policing has never been greater - Surrey Police must find substantial future savings including £5.3m next year alone. I believe our officers and staff provide a good service for the public but in order to sustain that now and provide a force fit for the future – this precept rise is necessary and the right option for the Surrey public.

In return, we must make sure we provide the very best value for money for our residents and keep local policing at the heart of what we do.

As your Police and Crime Commissioner, it is my job to hold Surrey Police to account on your behalf so I would welcome any comments or concerns you may have.



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Council Tax band - how much will I pay for policing in 2018/19?

A	B	C	D
£157.71	£184.00	£210.28	£236.57
E	F	G	H
£289.14	£341.71	£394.28	£473.14

Workforce	2018/19	2017/18
Police officers	*1,930	**1,921
Police staff	1,791	1,792
Specials	143	179
Total	3,864	3,892

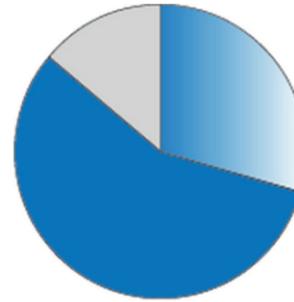


* Establishment for the year is 1,874 - however Surrey Police is currently well over establishment at an estimated 1,930 officers at 1 April 2018. This number will reduce over the next year as temporary training resources supporting the introduction of Policing In Your Neighbourhood (PIYN) are withdrawn.

**The establishment was reduced from last year's figure of 1939 by 18 posts in-year.

Where the money comes from

Net Budget Requirement 2018/19
£207.8m



■ Council tax (£117.7m)
■ Business Rates (£28.8m)
■ Police Grant (£61.3m)

2018/19 Taxbase i.e. number of equivalent Band D properties - 497,513

2017/18 Net budget requirement - £200.9m (Council Tax requirement £110.8)

How the money is spent

	2018/19	2017/18
Employees	£178.3m	£180.5m
Premises	£9.6m	£9.4m
Supplies & services	£31.5m	£27.8m
Transport	£4.6m	£4.6m
Income	-£9.4m	-£9.3m
Gross expenditure	£214.6m	£213m
Collection Fund surplus	-£1.5m	-£1.5m
To/(from) balances	£3.9m	-£1.4m
Net revenue budget	£217m	£210.1m
Precept Legacy Grants	-£9.2m	-£9.2m
Net budget requirement	£207.8m	£200.9m

How the spending has changed

2017/18 Gross Spend	£213m
Inflation	£3.9m
Estate strategy	£0.3m
ICT Strategy National	£0.4m
ICT Strategy Regional	£0.7m
ICT Strategy Local	£0.9m
South East Regional	£0.2m
Policing Team	
Historical Operations	£0.5m
Savings	-£5.3m
2018/19 Gross Spend	£214.6m

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