Devon & Cornwall Police funding 2024/25

Creating safer communities

Dear householder, this leaflet explains how Devon and Cornwall Police will be funded for the next financial year, the implications for your council tax bill and the strategic direction of the force.

In 2023-24 your contribution via your council tax bill helped us maintain police officer numbers at an all-time high of 3,610, reopen even more police stations to the public and become the force with the lowest recorded crime rate in England and Wales.

Thousands of you took the time to tell me what you want from policing by taking part in

my Your Safety, Your
Say survey. You want a
more visible and accessible force
which bears down on the antisocial behaviour,
dangerous driving, violence and drugs which
still blight too many lives.

Commissioner

The increase in this year's precept of 4.95% will enable us to open more police stations and work towards a shared vision of safer communities

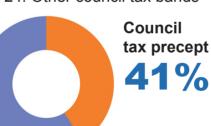
Alison Hernandez, Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

Where the money comes from

The 2024-25 force budget of £406.5m is made up from council tax precept payments and a Government grant. Band D household police precepts will be £274.50 in 2024-25 – £12.94 more than in 2023-24. Other council tax bands

will be affected differently (see table).

Central govt grant 59%



Council tax band	Total due 2023/24	Total due 2024/25	Annual increase
Α	£174.37	£183.00	£8.63
В	£203.44	£213.50	£10.06
С	£232.50	£244.00	£11.50
D	£261.56	£274.50	£12.94
E	£319.68	£335.50	£15.82
F	£377.81	£396.50	£18.69
G	£435.93	£457.50	£21.57
н	£523.12	£549.00	£25.88

2024-25 improvement highlights

more Police Enquiry Offices to be opened – bringing total to 26 £5_m

will be invested in Exmouth Police Station rebuild

Police force strength maintained at a record

3,610 officers

Improvements

101 & 999

call answering and a new call-back service

£8.4m

earmarked to help crime victims and reduce reoffending £500k

invested annually to improve service to those who complain about police



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Highlights of 2023/24



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- Major cannabis farm busted under joint South West drugs Operation **Scorpion**
- Operation Loki, targeting antisocial behaviour and drug dealing, engages with 5,318 people across Paignton and Torquay, resulting in 41 arrests
- Paignton gets £455,000 Safer Streets investment

Plymouth

- New police enquiry office opened at Devonport Police **Station**
- 50 arrested in major crackdown on county lines drugs gangs
- Operation Loki, targeting antisocial behaviour and drug dealing, engages with 16,757 people across the city and results in four arrests
- **Prisoners Building Homes sites** identified
- Full operation of a new force-wide records store



Devon

- Police enquiry offices opened in Okehampton. Ilfracombe, Honiton and Kingsbridge
- Officers talk to 3,351 people across Exeter and Barnstaple and arrest 33 as part of Operation Loki, tackling antisocial behaviour and drug dealing
- Prisoners Building Homes starts work on projects to deliver affordable housing in Mid Devon



Cornwall

- Police station enquiry office reopened in Looe
- Camborne and Redruth get £364,000 **Safer Streets** investment
- New base secured for Torpoint policing
- Officers talk to 1,892 people across **Truro and Falmouth** and arrest seven as part of Operation Loki, tackling antisocial behaviour and drug dealing

Report a crime to Devon and Cornwall Police

In a non-emergency, report online using the 101 service at devon-cornwall.police.uk

or call 101

Report in person at a police station front desk - scan the code to find a station near you or visit

bit.ly/3PKLACX



When a life is threatened or there is imminent danger call

Report crime anonymously

Call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org



Get support if you are affected by crime

For free, independent, confidential support visit Victim Care Devon & Cornwall at victimcare-dc.org or call Victim Support's 24-hour Supportline on 0808 1689 111



Get in touch

You can contact the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner at:

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