



ESSEX POLICE PRECEPT 2018/2019

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Further investment
in new technology
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*Investing in more
local, visible and
accessible policing*

PFCC 
**POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME
COMMISSIONER FOR ESSEX**

Since being elected in 2016, I have spoken to many of you and you have consistently told me that you want more local, visible policing in your communities. In Essex we have a police service that has been independently recognised as providing a good service and good value for money even though it is the tightest funded service in the country.

On your behalf I have been working hard with the Home Office to secure new funding for policing in Essex and nationally. The detailed evidence shows that if we want to tackle new, increasingly complex forms of crime, invest in prevention and deliver the visible policing presence that we understand you want, we need to increase what we spend on policing in Essex.

While the majority of funding for Essex Police comes through central government a proportion is paid for through the policing element of local Council Tax.

In a recent survey that I conducted approximately two thirds (65%) of people said that you would be prepared to pay more Council Tax so that more money could be raised and made available for policing.

Three-quarters (75%) of people who gave a view said they were prepared to contribute an additional £10 more per year to invest in policing and the majority of people said they were prepared to contribute over £20.

I am determined to deliver the safe and secure communities I believe you want and deserve, so with the agreement of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel, I am increasing the police element of local Council Tax by £12 a year (for a Band D property) or £1 per month to help invest more in policing in Essex. This equates to an increase of 7.6% and will raise an additional £7.5 million in 2018-2019.

The fire and rescue element of local Council Tax will increase by the 2% set out in the Essex County Fire and Rescue Service 2020 Strategy which was consulted on and agreed in 2016.



WHERE WILL WE INVEST?

YOU WILL GET:



An **EXTRA 150 FRONTLINE OFFICERS** bringing the total number to **MORE THAN 3000**



THREE QUARTERS of new funding being invested in local policing



A **DISTRICT BY DISTRICT PLAN** to show you where extra investment will go which we will publish (www.essex.pfcc.police.uk)



Further investment in new technology and mobile policing

WHERE THE MONEY WILL COME FROM



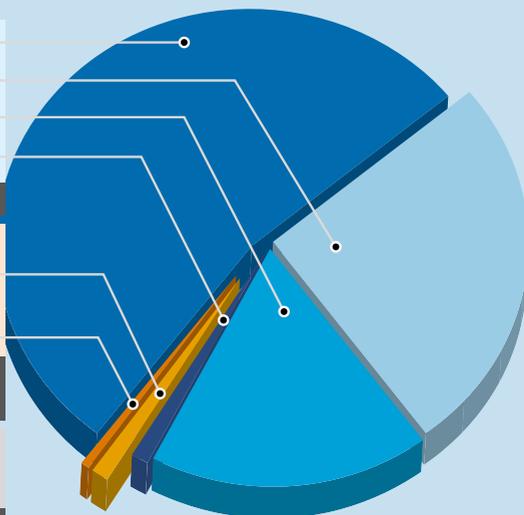
NEW FUNDING OF **£7.5 MILLION** FROM THE INCREASE IN PRECEPT (£1 PER MONTH FOR AN AVERAGE BAND D PROPERTY)



£3.5 MILLION IN EFFICIENCY SAVINGS

ESSEX POLICE EXPENDITURE BUDGET (£M) 2018-19

Police Officer Pay and Allowances	161.179
Police Staff Pay and Allowances	77.489
Premises, Transport, Supplies and Services	53.181
Police Community Support Officers	2.877
Gross Police Expenditure	294.726
Community Safety Services Commissioned by PFCC	3.458
Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	1.193
Gross Police and Community Safety Expenditure	299.377
Income	-22.762
Transfer to earmarked reserve	0.814
Net cost of Service	277.429



FUNDING SOURCES (£M)

Government Core Grant

£169.621

Council Tax Precept

£107.808

ABOUT THE ROLE OF THE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER:

As the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, Roger Hirst is elected by the residents of Essex.

He is statutorily responsible for:

- setting the budget for Essex Police and Essex County Fire and Rescue Service and proposing the policing and fire and rescue elements of the local council tax precept
- setting the strategic direction and priorities for both services
- appointing and dismissing the Chief Constable and the Chief Fire Officer and holding both of them to account

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