

Surrey Police Council Tax information - 2017/18



Office of the Police and Crime
Commissioner for Surrey

How your Council Tax helps fund Surrey Police

Message from David Munro, Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

This is the first time in my role as the elected Police and Crime Commissioner that I have carried out the key responsibility of deciding the amount local taxpayers pay towards policing in Surrey.

In my Police and Crime Plan, one of the six priorities is Making Every Pound Count. I am committed to fighting for fair funding for Surrey Police but I also want to ensure that taxpayers pay no more than is absolutely necessary for an effective policing service.

For the 2017/18 financial year, I have set the level of council tax at £224.57 for a Band D property, an increase of 1.99% on last year's figure of £220.19. This amounts to an increase



of around 8p a week over the course of the year. I carried out a public consultation with Surrey residents in which 65% of the 2,100 people who responded expressed support for the

increase. This helped inform my decision which was endorsed by the Police and Crime Panel.

I am confident that the 1.99% precept increase achieves the balance that I am seeking to strike, between fairness to tax payers and fairness to the Police in giving them sufficient resources to keep Surrey safe.

In addition, the Force also has to successfully achieve a challenging savings programme of £5.5 million by the end of March 2018 while the Chief Constable needs £1.4 million from the General Reserve to help fund this year's approved revenue budget.

Across the country, police forces are having to deal with new and changing demands in a



policing environment that has never been more complex than it is today. We are no different in Surrey.

Your council tax will provide the funding to continue to support the strategic objectives of my Police and Crime Plan and the broader force mission of pursuing offenders, protecting the vulnerable and preventing crime and disorder.

It will also help tackle the issue of retaining officers by increasing the South East Allowance and providing added investment in training for our new recruits.

This small increase will enable Surrey Police to concentrate on tackling those areas of crime that are affecting the most vulnerable in our communities whilst providing that balance with the reassuring visible street policing that people have told me is important to them.

I know how much this county's residents value a good policing service. I want to make our communities as safe as possible and continue to provide a police service the people of Surrey can be proud of.

David Munro
Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

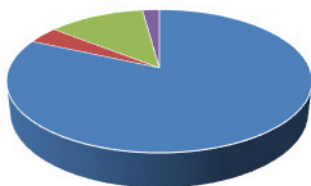
What you will pay for policing in Surrey 2017/18

Valuation	Council Tax per property £
Band A	149.71
Band B	174.67
Band C	199.62
Band D	224.57
Band E	274.47
Band F	324.38
Band G	374.28
Band H	449.14



How the money is spent

2017/18
Net Budget Requirement
£200.9m



■ Employees ■ Premises ■ Supplies and services ■ Transport

How the spending has changed

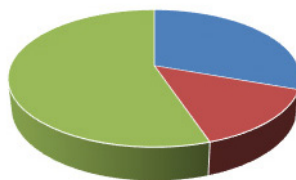
2016/17 Gross Expenditure	212.6
Inflation	2.1
Local policing Sergeants	0.3
Training Capability	0.5
Public Protection	0.6
Employee Retention	0.6
Regional Allowance	1.0
Other Changes	0.7
Savings	-5.4
2017/18 Gross Expenditure	213.0

2017/18 2016/17

Employees	183.2	182.2
Premises	8.8	7.9
Supplies & services	27.3	27.7
Transport	4.8	5.7
Income	-11.1	-10.9
Gross expenditure	213.0	212.6
Collection Fund Surplus	-1.5	-1.8
To/(from) balances	-1.4	-3.0
Net revenue budget	210.1	207.8
Precept Legacy Grants	-9.2	-9.2
Net budget requirement	200.9	198.6

Where the money comes from

2017/18
Net Budget Requirement
£200.9m



■ Police Grant ■ Business Rates ■ Net Council Tax requirement

Employee information

	2017/18	2016/17
Police Officers	1,939	1,944
Operational & Support Staff	1,792	1,745
Specials	179	130
Total	3,910	3,819

	2017/18 £m	2016/17 £m
Net budget requirement	200.9	198.6
Less:		
Police Grant	-61.3	-62.2
Business Rates	-28.8	-29.2
Net Council Tax requirement	110.8	107.2
Tax Base (number of equivalent Band D properties)	493,562	486,835

For more information:

David Munro was elected as your Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey in May 2016 and is responsible for overseeing the work of Surrey Police, holding the Chief Constable to account and helping to tackle the crime issues that matter to you.

To find out more about David's Police and Crime Plan and the work of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) - please visit our website:

Surrey
PCC <http://www.surrey-pcc.gov.uk>

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If you want to know what's happening in Surrey - you can also sign up to the InTheKnow community messaging system at:

www.intheknow.community

You will receive email updates about your community including witness appeals, crime updates, crime prevention advice and news and can control how often you are contacted and by whom.

For more details about the Surrey Police budget from the year 2017/18 or to obtain a copy of our most recent statement of accounts, please call our office on **01483 630200** or email **SurreyPCC@surrey.police.uk** or write to us at: **PO Box 412, Guildford, Surrey, GU3 1YJ**

Always call **999** if you have a genuine emergency requiring the attendance of the police or if a crime is in progress. Call Surrey Police on **101** or use the online reporting system at www.surreypolice.uk/contact-us for non-emergency matters only.

If you are hard of hearing or speech impaired, you can textphone Surrey Police on **18001 101** (non-emergency) or **18000** (emergency) or text on **07786 204020** or **999** (register at www.emergencysms.org.uk).

You can also call Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111** to report crime anonymously.

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