

Policing Surrey

2025/26

How your council
tax helps fund
Surrey Police



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Your contributions make a difference

Your council tax contributions over the coming year will continue to make a huge difference to those policing teams fighting crime in our communities.

A ‘back-to-basics’ approach over the last 12 months has seen Surrey Police become one of the fastest improving forces in the country.

The charge rate has doubled, officers have made over 2,500 more arrests and huge strides have been made in tackling crimes such as burglary, shoplifting and violence against women and girls.

But there is always more to do. That is why this year’s increase of 4.3% in the policing element of your council tax is vital in giving the Chief Constable the resources to sustain this positive momentum.

Asking the public for more money in the current financial climate is incredibly difficult and I want to thank residents for their continued support which is so crucial.

The Force is making every effort to find efficiencies so we can provide the very best value for money. But around £18m in savings must still be found over the next four years.

Our policing teams do a fantastic job keeping our communities safe. I want Surrey Police to build on the brilliant progress they have made over the last year and continue to tackle those issues that are important to you.

Lisa Townsend

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Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

What will you pay for policing in 2025/26?

Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
£225.05	£262.55	£300.06	£337.57
Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
£412.58	£487.60	£562.62	£675.14

The above amounts are what you will pay in council tax during 2025/26. The charge for policing represents a small part of the bill you receive from your District or Borough Council.

Where the money comes from;



How the money is spent and funded:

	2024/25 £m	2025/26 £m
Employees	260.70	276.00
Premises	14.80	16.30
Supplies and services	47.60	55.06
Transport	5.20	5.20
Operational income	-18.60	-22.00
Gross budget:	309.70	330.56
Use of reserves	0.10	0.30
Central Government	-140.20	-150.50
Surplus from previous year	-1.20	-2.60
Council tax:	168.40	177.76
No of equivalent Band D properties	520,447	526,600
Charge based on a Band D property	£323.57	£337.57



An average day for Surrey Police

Here are just some of the demands that contribute to an average day for Surrey Police:



447
999 calls



453
calls to the 101
non-emergency
number



558
digital contacts
Incl. website,
social media
and email



103
emergency responses



40
arrests

149

incidents allocated
for investigation

37



Thefts

40



Incidents involving anti-social
behaviour

19



Reports of shoplifting

7



Missing persons

47



Incidents relating
to mental health

33



Domestic abuse reports

Averages 2024.



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Employee information

Surrey Police has grown its police officer establishment over the past five years thanks to your council tax contributions alongside the Government's national uplift programme. The Force now has a total of 4,240* officers and staff.

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Police officers as at 31 March	2,114	2,159	2,263	2,312	2,336*

Surrey's volunteering programme includes more than 385 people who volunteer as special constables, police support volunteers or police cadets.

Their dedication provides valuable support across policing teams. To find out more, visit surrey.police.uk/volunteering

*Officer numbers are based on estimates provided at the time of publication ahead of the release of the Government's official figures.



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