



Nottinghamshire

**POLICE & CRIME
COMMISSIONER**

COUNCIL TAX Information 2018 - 2019

People have a right to feel safe in their communities and on the streets. They want to see police officers out in their neighbourhoods and they want to know that someone is there when they need help.

However, over the last five years in Nottinghamshire we have had to reduce the number of police officers, PCSOs and other resources as we struggled to find the £54m in savings required of us by the government. Nationally, we have lost almost 21,000 police officers and numbers are at their lowest for 30 years.

As you know, I have been at the forefront of a relentless campaign calling for more funding and the government has now agreed that the police need more money. That's why it has proposed that the amount of money local people pay towards policing should be increased by £12 a year for a Band D property.



As a result of this and some other measures, the 2018-19 budget provides us with the opportunity to invest for the first time in many years and commits to:

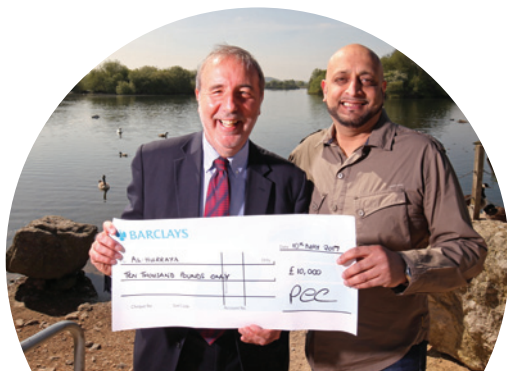
- Funding 80 new officers, taking the total up to 1940 to bolster our Neighbourhood Policing Teams.
- Establishing two dedicated burglary teams.
- Investing more resources to tackle knife crime.
- Increasing the resources available to tackle rural crime.
- Building a new state of the art custody suite in the City.
- Reallocating 61 supervisory posts to boost frontline officers.

The nature of crime is changing. There is the very real threat of terrorist attacks; the rise in online crime; serious sexual violence; child sexual exploitation; and non-recent abuse. Tackling crimes like this is a resource intensive and highly complex job.

This is why my budget this year, with your support, invests in the technology, resources and expertise that will strengthen Nottinghamshire's capacity to tackle these challenges.

It means we're able to increase the policing presence in your communities and respond to more of your problems. It means the force can enhance its intelligence gathering activities to improve the way it prevents and detects crime. It means safer streets and safer communities.

Paddy Tipping
Nottinghamshire Police
and Crime Commissioner





Budget for Policing

The total budget for policing Nottinghamshire in 2018-19 has been set at £193.1m. Of this £133.9m comes from the Police Grant allocated by central government.

This year, the policing element of your Council Tax will raise a total of £61.1m, a net increase of £4.7m on the 2017-18 figure. This means the amount of Council Tax you pay towards policing will rise by 6.54%, which equates to £11.97 per year or £1 a month for a Band D property.

However, most people will pay less than this due to the predominance of Band A and B properties across the force area.

Police & Crime element of the Council Tax WHAT YOU PAY			
Band	2017-18 £	2018-19 £	Annual Increase
A	122.28	130.26	7.98
B	142.66	151.97	9.31
C	163.04	173.68	10.64
D	183.42	195.39	11.97
E	224.18	238.81	14.63
F	264.94	282.23	17.29
G	305.70	325.65	19.95
H	366.84	390.78	23.94

The increase in the amount of money paid by local people, plus a number of other measures, mean that next year we have more money in our budget, all of which the Chief Constable and I plan to invest in local policing services. The extra money won't solve all of our financial problems, but it is both welcome and helpful. Together with our ongoing programme of efficiency savings, which will deliver around £6m in the coming year alone, we can take positive action to make Nottinghamshire safer.



What happened last year

We:

- Recruited a total of 197 police officers, boosting overall numbers by 61.
- Exceeded our £5.5m savings target by £2.3m through in-year efficiencies.
- Introduced School Early Intervention Officers.
- Ensured no-one is held in police custody under section 136 of the Mental Health Act.
- Made the workforce more representative of the local community.
- Increased the number of people confident to report hate crime, sexual violence, domestic abuse and other 'hidden' crimes.
- Introduced a Survivor Support Service to help victims of child sexual abuse aged 13 and over.
- Set up local authority partnership hubs at Mansfield, Kirkby in Ashfield, Arnold and Beeston, with others planned for Cotgrave and Worksop.
- Opened a number of smaller sites, set up with the support of Parish and Town Councils, and we are exploring several opportunities to share premises with the Fire and Rescue Service and East Midlands Ambulance Service.
- Transformed the lives of vulnerable people through my Community Safety Fund, investing in support services for victims of sexual abuse, sexual abuse services, hate crime, alcohol and drug misuse as well as offering mentorship opportunities to help people gain qualifications and training.
- Continued to develop the quality of service provided to victims of crime.
- Saw pioneering projects for younger people announced as finalists for the National Crimebeat Awards.



Police and Crime Plan 2018-21

This Plan is the blueprint for policing and community safety services. It provides the strategic direction for service delivery which is designed to respond to the issues that you have told me concern you. It takes into account our national responsibilities and the need to address new policing challenges, while continuing to meet the ongoing requirement to find financial savings.

It focuses on:

- Protecting people from harm.
- Helping and supporting victims.
- Tackling crime and antisocial behaviour.
- Transforming services and delivering quality policing.



The Police and Crime Commissioner

As Commissioner I hold the police to account on your behalf, providing a link between the public and your police force. I also commission a number of services to improve community safety and support the recovery of victims of crime. I consult with the public to find out what matters most to you, set the overall police budget and appoint the Chief Constable.

PCCs are not responsible for operational policing such as crime investigation or the day-to-day management of police officers, PCSOs and staff. This is entirely the role of the Chief Constable. I do, however, set local priorities for the police and our community safety partners through my Police and Crime Plan.



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