Devon & Cornwall Police funding 2025-26

Improving safety in a challenging year

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

In 2024-25 your contribution via your council tax bill helped me to reopen more police enquiry offices, increasing the number of people who can report crime and get advice from police face to face.

It's now easier to contact the police by phone with significantly reduced call waiting times and more police stations open to the public.

The increase in this year's precept of 4.99%

will enable Devon & Alison Hernandez
Cornwall Police to deliver
my new Police and Crime Plan
priorities of theft, antisocial behaviour, violence,
and drugs and alcohol in our towns and cities,
on our roads, in our countryside and coastal
areas, and in our homes and neighbourhoods.

To be successful everyone needs to play their part to reduce crime and I look forward to working with you all to create safer, more resilient and connected communities.

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

Commissioner

Where the money comes from

The 2025-26 force budget of $\pounds 433m$ is made up from council tax precept payments and a Government grant. Band D household police precepts will be $\pounds 288.20$ in 2025-26 – £13.70 more than in 2024-25. Other council tax bands

will be affected differently (see table).

Central govt grant 56%



tax precept

Council tax band	Total due 2024-25	Total due 2025-26	Annual increase
Α	£183.00	£192.13	£9.13
В	£213.50	£224.16	£10.66
С	£244.00	£256.18	£12.18
D	£274.50	£288.20	£13.70
E	£335.50	£352.24	£16.74
F	£396.50	£416.29	£19.79
G	£457.50	£480.33	£22.83
н	£549.00	£576.40	£27.40

What we achieved in 2024-25

It's easier to contact police via 999 and 101 with significantly improved waiting times

Stable
leadership of the
force through the
appointment of
an interim Chief
Constable

Improving visibility of policing with a hotspot policing approach

Read the 2025-29 Police and Crime Plan at bit.ly/4hFOitC

or scan the code below

theft & alcohol

new Police and

Crime Plan priorities



Your voice in policing



Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Devon and Cornwall

Visible policing highlights 2024-25



The Street Focus Torquay project, aiming to increase safety in the town centre with measures including hotspot patrols, delivered the following results (May-Dec 2024):

- 2,108 hotspot patrol
- 105 antisocial behaviour incidents attended
- 22 arrests
- 17 public space protection orders enforced

Plymouth



The hotspot policina project focusing on antisocial behaviour and serious violence delivered the following results (May-Dec 2024):

- 1.588 hotspot patrol
- 200 antisocial behaviour incidents attended
- 33 arrests
- 2 offensive weapons seized
- 15 public space protection orders enforced
- 29 stop and searches carried out



Hotspot policing delivered the following results across Barnstaple, Bideford, Exeter, Exmouth and Newton Abbot (May-Dec 2024):

- 6.226 hotspot patrol
- 477 antisocial behaviour incidents attended
- 69 arrests
- 12 offensive weapons seized
- 76 public space protection orders enforced
- 93 stop and searches carried out



Cornwall

The hotspot policing project delivered the following results across Camborne, Newquay, Penzance, St Austell and Truro (May-Dec 2024):

- 7,036 hotspot patrol
- 460 antisocial behaviour incidents attended
- 65 arrests
- 9 offensive weapons seized
- 27 public space protection orders enforced
- 91 stop and searches carried out

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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Call: 01392 225555

Email: opcc@dc-pcc.gov.uk

Visit: www.devonandcornwall-pcc.gov.uk



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