



**AVON &
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POLICE & CRIME
COMMISSIONER

INVESTING IN YOUR POLICING

I fully understand that this is a big increase for households. It was not an easy decision to raise the policing part of the council tax by £2 a month (Band D household). However I have to balance the challenges facing policing, the increased threat from criminality and the safety of residents.

In order to improve visibility and results, we need to have the resources. With the government set on raising money for policing from local people I have the unenviable job of deciding how we meet these challenges.

Just like last year we will continue to protect neighbourhood policing the very 'eyes and ears' of our communities and invest in additional officers, above planned numbers, for the first time in over a decade. I'm committed with the Chief Constable to intensify our fight against serious violence on our streets, in our towns and cities with high profile disruption activity for residential burglary, drugs and violent crime. Sending a loud and clear message to criminals that coming into our area to commit their crimes and exploit the vulnerable is not an option.

This money will not fix everything but it's the first investment we've seen since austerity began in 2010 and it's a big step in the right direction.

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Police and Crime Commissioner for Avon and Somerset



**TO IMPROVE
THE POLICE'S**



**RESPONSE TO
RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY**

BETTER RESULTS =

JUSTICE

**TACKLE
SERIOUS
VIOLENCE**



**INCLUDING
KNIFE CRIME**

**OPERATIONS
TO DISRUPT
& DISMANTLE**



**DRUG SUPPLY
ON OUR STREET**



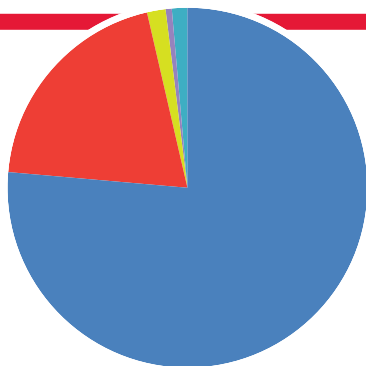
**100
POLICE OFFICERS**

RECRUITMENT

**OF 100 NEW OFFICERS, INCREASING
PLANNED NUMBERS FOR THE
FIRST TIME SINCE 2004**

HOW WE SPEND THE BUDGET 2019/20

THE CHART BELOW SHOWS WHERE THE MONEY GOES



- Police Officers, Staff and PCSOs - £237.2m
- Running Expenses - £56m
- Capital Funding - £8m
- Office of the PCC - £1.4m
- PCC victim and crime related support services - £3.4m

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

	2018/19	2019/20
Funding from central government	£176m	£182m
Council tax	£109m	£124m
Total	£285m	£306m

CHANGES IN SPENDING

The net expenditure for the police will be £21m higher in 2019/20 compared to 2018/19 following a rise in council tax funding. The Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) has taken the decision to increase the policing part of the council tax by £24 a year for the average band D household. **This means that the average band D precept will be £217.81.** Although inflation and other spending pressures will increase costs by £25m, savings have been agreed to balance the budget.

There is now a joint local community safety and Police and Crime Plan for your local area.



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