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Policing Surrey 2026/27

How your council tax helps fund Surrey Police



Employee information

Surrey Police now has more officers than ever before thanks to your council tax contributions.

The Force has a total of 4,029* officers and staff.

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Police officers as at 31 March	2,114	2,159	2,263	2,312	2,330	2,344*

A total of 425 people volunteer as special constables, police support volunteers or police cadets in Surrey.

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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You're helping to keep Surrey safe

The council tax you pay ensures that Surrey remains one of the safest places to live in the country.

Surrey Police is making huge strides at tackling those crimes that have such an impact on our communities. Across the board, charges have more than doubled, and 40 per cent more crimes have been solved.

In the last year, charges for shoplifting have risen by 465 per cent, while burglary rates have reduced by 14 per cent and vehicle crime is down by 36 per cent.

The improvements we have seen by taking a 'back-to-basics' approach are nothing short of incredible. But there is always more to do.

Surrey Police faces significant financial challenges, with £5.5m of savings needed this year alone. This is one of the reasons why this year's increase in the policing element of your council tax is vital. It allows the Chief Constable to access all the resources he needs to sustain the improvements we are seeing.

It is always difficult to ask the public for more money, particularly when household budgets are already squeezed. I want to thank you all for your continued support - it really does make a crucial difference.

Our policing teams do a brilliant job of keeping our communities safe. Your contributions allow officers to continue building on this amazing progress.

Lisa Townsend

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Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

What will you pay for policing in 2026/27?

Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
£235.05	£274.22	£313.40	£352.57
Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
£430.92	£509.27	£587.62	£705.14

The above amounts are what you will pay in council tax during 2026/27.

The charge for policing represents part of the bill you receive from your District or Borough Council.

Where the money comes from;



How the money is spent and funded:

	2025/26 £m	2026/27 £m
Employees	276.00	288.60
Premises	16.30	15.40
Supplies and services	55.06	63.20
Transport	5.20	5.60
Operational income	-22.00	-26.00
Gross budget:	330.56	346.80
Less		
Central Government	-150.50	-156.40
Other funding and reserves	-2.30	-2.50
Funded by council tax:	177.76	187.90
No of equivalent Band D properties	526,600	532,902
Charge based on a Band D property	£337.57	£352.57



An average day for Surrey Police

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



482
999 calls



489 calls to the 101 non-emergency number



713 digital contacts Incl. website, social media and email



98 emergency responses



46 arrests

216

incidents allocated for investigation

12



Road traffic collisions

51



Incidents involving anti-social behaviour

19



Reports of shoplifting

10



Missing persons

56



Incidents relating to mental health

55



Domestic abuse reports

Averages July-September 2025.