

As the Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales one of my main responsibilities is to set the annual precept, which is the part of the policing budget that is raised from local taxes. The level of the precept determines the total budget available for policing in North Wales, and its importance to the quality, effectiveness and efficiency of policing in North Wales cannot be overstated in making North Wales the safest place in the United Kingdom.

I am extremely proud of the work and achievement of my office, the officers, staff and volunteers of North Wales Police and our partners. In the last year, our achievements include:

Securing over £2million of additional money for North Wales from the Safer Streets and SWaN funds;

Implementing hybrid and agile working; many posts have been identified as being suitable to make these changes permanent, which will provide efficiencies in our estates budget and more favourable working conditions for many;

The police drones team, which is able to provide support in many types of work, including pursuit scenarios, missing persons, firearms deployments and anti-social behaviour to name just a few;

Increased support for the rural crime team;

Increased support for victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.

Looking forward to 2022/23, I am pleased that we will receive additional funding to complete the Police Uplift Programme.

My first priority is Delivering Safer Neighbourhoods, and I am pleased that the budget for 2022/23 includes funding for 30 additional PCSOs, 20 of which are funded by Welsh Government, and a further 10 from my budget.

My second priority is Supporting Victims and Communities. My office will continue to fund activities which support victims of crime, and I plan to introduce a Victims' Panel to ensure the victim's voice is always heard.

My third priority is a Fair and Effective Criminal Justice System. My office will continue to work with partners to maximise the effectiveness of the criminal justice system, and in addition will continue to fund activities aimed at reducing crime by identifying and tackling the root causes of criminal behaviour.

The police force continues to find savings each year, and these are reinvested to improve services, in order to minimise increases in council tax. The base level of grant we will receive in 2022/23 is the same as it was in 2019/20, with additional grant received being linked to the Police Uplift Programme, which will provide at least 206 additional officers (82 in 2022/23) in North Wales by the end of March 2023.

Further information about my priorities and the work needed to achieve them is contained in my Police and Crime Plan.

I firmly believe this increase of 3.68%, £11.25 per year for a Band D property, strikes the appropriate balance between affordability for council tax payers, and ensuring that North Wales Police has the correct funding to continue to be an excellent, efficient and effective force.

Andy Dunbobbin

North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner

How much of your council tax is spent on policing?

There are nine council tax bands in North Wales, based on the capital value of the property in 2003.

Band D is used for National comparisons of tax levels. From a Band D Council Tax bill, only £316.80 is allocated to funding the Police service of North Wales, as agreed by the Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales.

Therefore, depending on your property band, the amount from your Council tax bill which funds the Police Service of North Wales is as follows:

Band A	£211.20
Band B	£246.40
Band C	£281.60
Band D	£316.80
Band E	£387.20
Band F	£457.60
Band G	£528.00
Band H	£633.60
Band I	£739.20

Comparison of the level of the Revenue Budget with the Welsh Government's guidance

Using a formula developed for all Police Forces in England and Wales, the Welsh Government (WG) and the Home Office have issued a "spending norm" known as the Standard Spending Assessment (SSA) plus Police Grant of £137.252m for 2022-2023. This is the Government's assessment of the Commissioner's need to spend in order to provide the same level of service as other commissioners in Wales if they also spend at the level of their own SSA plus Police Grant.

The Commissioner is allowed to spend in excess of its SSA/ Police grant total, with the excess being funded from the Council Tax or Reserves. The Commissioner has set a Budget requirement of £182.268m.

Where does the money come from?

48.50% - Government Grants

51.50% - Council Tax

What do you get for your money?

8.99% is spent on dealing with the public

43.44% is spent on local policing

26.06% is spent on investigations

7.53% is spent on criminal justice

13.98% is spent on specialist operations

The Commissioner's estimated financial reserves at the end of the financial year

2021-2022 £30.019 million

2022-2023 £24.021 million

Where does your money go?

2021-2022 Budget:

Expenditure – Pay – Police Officers	£90.354 million
Expenditure – Pay – Police Staff	£48.319 million
Expenditure – Pensions	£3.281 million
Expenditure – Other Employee Costs	£6.214 million
Expenditure – Other Running Costs	£43.018 million
Expenditure – Contribution to Capital Expenditure	£4.354 million

Gross Revenue Expenditure

£195.540 million

Less: Income

£22.175 million

Budget Requirement

£173.365 million

Financed by:

Specific Police Grant	£47.127 million
Floor Grant	£14.027 million
Revenue Support Grant	£10.288 million
Share of Non-Domestic Rates	£12.235 million

Total grants

£83.677 million

Council Tax

£89.688 million

Total Finance

£173.365 million

2022-2023 Budget

Expenditure – Pay – Police Officers	£96.355 million
Expenditure – Pay – Police Staff	£52.847 million
Expenditure – Pensions	£3.427 million
Expenditure – Other Employee Costs	£6.875 million
Expenditure – Other Running Costs	£43.719 million
Expenditure – Contribution to Capital Expenditure	£4.507 million

Gross Revenue Expenditure

£207.730 million

Less: Income

£25.462 million

Budget Requirement

£182.268 million

Financed by:

Specific Police Grant	£49.690 million
Floor Grant	£22.204 million
Revenue Support Grant	£16.260 million
Share of Non-Domestic Rates	£0.253 million

Total grants

£88.407 million

Council Tax

£93.861 million

Total Finance

£182.268 million

2022-2023 Budget

Expenditure – Pay – Police Officers	£325.22 per Band D
Expenditure – Pay – Police Staff	£178.37 per Band D
Expenditure – Pensions	£11.57 per Band D
Expenditure – Other Employee Costs	£23.20 per Band D
Expenditure – Other Running Costs	£147.56 per Band D
Expenditure – Contribution to Capital Expenditure	£15.21 per Band D
Gross Revenue Expenditure	£701.13 per Band D
Less: Income	£85.94 per Band D
Budget Requirement	£615.19 per Band D
Financed by:	
Specific Police Grant	£167.61 per Band D
Floor Grant	£74.94 per Band D
Revenue Support Grant	£54.08 per Band D
Share of Non-Domestic Rates	£0.85 per Band D
Total grants	£298.39 per Band D
Council Tax	£316.80 per Band D
Total Finance	£615.19 per Band D

The Commissioner's Capital Budget 2022-2023

Proposed Expenditure

Vehicles and Equipment	£2.480 million
Building Works	£4.872 million
Information Technology and Communication Equipment	£4.858 million
Total Expenditure	£12.210 million

Method of Financing:

Capital Grants	£0.000 million
Borrowing	£7.345 million
Capital Receipts	£0.336 million
Revenue Contribution and Balances	£4.529 million
Total Financing	£12.210 million

Where can you get more details?

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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The Commissioner is accountable to people across North Wales and is always eager to hear what they think about police and crime matters. If you want to share your views with the Commissioner, please contact **01492 805486** or email **OPCC@northwales.police.uk**. Alternatively, visit our website: **www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk**

HOW TO CONTACT NORTH WALES POLICE

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Alternatively, you can ring the non-emergency number **101** or **0300 330 0101**.
For emergencies only, call **999**.

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