John Campion Police and Crime Commissioner West Mercia

Building a Safer West Mercia

My mission for the communities of West Mercia remains unchanged, despite the financial challenges the nation continues to face.

I am committed to ensuring that crime falls, offenders are brought swiftly to justice and victims get the support they need.

As your voice in policing, I have listened and delivered on calls for more police officers based in the heart of your community with numbers hitting record levels in West Mercia.

I will deliver:

Improved visible and accessible policing

- Record number of police officers 2,506.
- Creation of town centre policing teams to tackle crime.

Better investigations and better outcomes

- Ensuring victims of crime get a higher level of service.
- More officers focused on tackling child abuse.

Improved public contact

- Quicker response times to 999 and 101 calls and digital enquiries.
- New technology to allow police officers to capture more evidence.



Visit **www.westmercia-pcc.gov. uk/budget2024** to read the budget report in full. Find out how the police budget is spent, overleaf.

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What will I pay towards policing?

Council tax band	Α	£185.00
	В	£215.83
	С	£246.67
	D	£277.50
	Е	£339.17
	F	£400.83
	G	£462.50
	Н	£555.00

The amount you pay for the police service will increase by 4.91% in 2024/25.

Council Tax bands are calculated to six decimal places, but presented here to two decimal places, therefore they may vary by +/- 0.01%.



How is the money spent?

In 2024/25 we plan to spend £284.158m before income and use of reserves. The expenditure on police services has increased by £11.1m.

This is how the money is spent:

- Support services
- Local policing
- Tactical policing
- Investigations
- Office of Police and Crime Commissioner



Paying less in West Mercia

The PCC has the lowest percentage increase in council tax of all forces in England and Wales since 2016.

PCC precept increase 2016/17 to 2023/24



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