

On an average day,  
Hertfordshire Constabulary...



### Where the money comes from

	2019/20 £m	2020/21 £m
Central Government Funding	118.7	126.8
Council Tax	84.1	89.7
Collection Fund	0.6	0.8
<b>Net Budget</b>	<b>203.4</b>	<b>217.3</b>
Fees and Charges	7.5	9.0
Other Government Grants	4.8	7.7
Reserves	4.7	1.0
<b>Gross Budget</b>	<b>221.1</b>	<b>235.0</b>

### Council tax precept bandings

Precept Bands	A	B	C	D
2019/20	125.33	146.22	167.11	188.00
2020/21	132.00	154.00	176.00	198.00
Precept Bands	E	F	G	H
2019/20	229.78	271.56	313.33	376.00
2020/21	242.00	286.00	330.00	396.00



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## How to contact Hertfordshire Constabulary

### Report Online

[www.herts.police.uk/Report/Report-Shared/Report-a-crime](http://www.herts.police.uk/Report/Report-Shared/Report-a-crime)

### Webchat facility available

**999** in an emergency when a life is threatened or there is imminent danger

**101** for all non-emergency calls when you don't require an urgent response

Alternatively you can call the charity **CrimeStoppers** or visit [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

## How to contact the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

**Email:** [commissioner@herts.pcc.pnn.gov.uk](mailto:commissioner@herts.pcc.pnn.gov.uk)

**Phone:** 01707 806100

**Website:** [www.hertscommissioner.org](http://www.hertscommissioner.org)

**Twitter:** @hertspcc

**Facebook:** [facebook.com/hertspcc](https://facebook.com/hertspcc)

**Beacon Victim Care Centre:** 0300 0115555

**beacon**  
Hertfordshire victim care centre

— **David Lloyd** —  
**Police and Crime  
Commissioner**  
for Hertfordshire

## Policing Hertfordshire Your Council Tax 2020 - 2021





One of my most important responsibilities as your Police and Crime Commissioner is setting the police budget for the year ahead. My priority is maintaining an effective force that keeps people safe, while ensuring an efficient use of tax-payers' money.

This year the government announced a very positive and transformational settlement for policing. The biggest investment in policing in a decade.

In some parts of the country this is largely being seen as returning officer numbers to where they were eight years ago. That is not the case in Hertfordshire. You will know that I have protected officer numbers in Hertfordshire and in recent years have raised the precept and used a level of reserves to invest in frontline officers.

The government uplift therefore offers the prospect of a police force, bigger than it has ever been in Hertfordshire. That is a significant transformation, providing an opportunity for fundamental change and improvement and it is something which we need to grasp quickly in order to make best use of it.

This level of funding now enables us to go beyond considering what resources we require over the coming year, but to plan for the next 2-3 years and build up the force to deliver the huge benefits of this investment.

The government this year has given Police and Crime Commissioners the flexibility to raise the precept by £10.00 a year on the average (Band D) household in order to make best use of the additional police officers.

Using this flexibility would enable us to maximise the additional investment in policing which I believe it is right to do. In three years' time we will have a substantially bigger force and it is vital that it is properly resourced.

In response to this financial situation and having listened to what the public of Hertfordshire told me through the precept consultation process, I am proposing to use that flexibility and increase the police element of council tax precept by the maximum amount of £10.00 a year (83p per month) for the average (Band D) household. This would generate £4.531m in additional income and represents a 5.32% increase.

This increase will help to support the recruitment of an additional 91 police officers from the first part of the government's uplift of 20,000 police officers nationally. It will also be used to meet the duties placed on PCCs to introduce a new mandated complaints regime designed to provide a better service to the public.

I do not take the decision to increase the council tax precept lightly, but this increase will ensure that we make best use of this opportunity for investment and maximise our resources to prevent crime, protect victims and keep the public safe.

Despite this increase, Hertfordshire will continue to have one of the lowest police precepts across the country.

Further information on the police budget and precept can be found on:  
[www.hertscommissioner.org/my-budget-herts-pcc](http://www.hertscommissioner.org/my-budget-herts-pcc)

**David Lloyd, Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire**

## Role of your Police and Crime Commissioner

I was re-elected in May 2016 for a four year term of office to represent the people of Hertfordshire and to set the strategy and budget for Hertfordshire Constabulary.

### My role involves:

- Publishing a five year Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan (called Everybody's Business) and deciding the policing priorities for Hertfordshire.
- Setting the policing budget and the police element of council tax.
- Holding the Chief Constable to account for operational policing.
- Working with local partners to prevent crime and re-offending, and provide an efficient criminal justice system for Hertfordshire.
- Commissioning support services for victims of crime.

### My key priorities:

This budget supports the delivery of my Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan: Everybody's Business of which the following priorities are part of:

- Put victims first
- Keep crime low
- Protect local policing
- Increase officer numbers
- Keep tax low