

# 115 additional officers building a safer West Mercia.

I have listened to feedback from our communities in West Mercia who have been very consistent: People want more police officers, and they want to see them out on the streets, tackling crime and keeping us safe.

This uplift in officer numbers will help meet demand and deliver the best possible service to you and your communities.

The extra 115 frontline officers is on top of the 100 extra I announced last year. Recruitment is underway to fill these positions.



**John Campion**  
West Mercia Police  
and Crime  
Commissioner

## What I will deliver:



An **additional 115 police officers**, taking officer numbers in West Mercia to around **2145 the highest level seen in the force since 2012.**



**Additional dedicated resources** for tackling rural crime.



An **extra £500,000** for road safety.



An **extra £250,000** for CCTV.



**Continued reform** of the police force so it can deal with changing demand.



An **extra £1million investment** in community projects aimed at tackling the root causes of crime.



The delivery of an **improved system of victim support** for West Mercia, giving people better and faster access to the right help, should they fall victim to a crime.



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## Council Tax Band- What will you pay?

A	B	C	D
£144.44	£168.51	£192.59	£216.66
E	F	G	H
£264.81	£312.95	£361.10	£433.32

The amount you pay for the police service will increase by 9.94% in 2019/20. Council tax bands are calculated to four decimal places, but presented here to two decimal places, therefore they may vary by plus/ minus 0.01p

## How are the police funded?



- Central Government Funding: £122.45m (An additional £2.3m)
- Reserves: £5.70m
- Council Tax: £96.44m

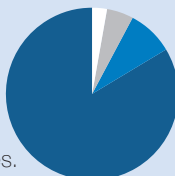
## How the money is spent?

In 2019/20 we plan to spend **£242.86m** before income and use of reserves. Our day-to-day spending (net of fees, specific grants and reserves) is **£218.89m**. The expenditure on police services has **increased** by **£15.85m**.

Spending	2018/19	2019/20	
	Spending £ millions	Spending £ millions	Cost for each person £
Expenditure on police services	227.009	242.858	190.82
Income	-15.515	-18.269	14.35
<b>Total cost of service</b>	<b>211.494</b>	<b>224.589</b>	<b>176.47</b>
Transfer from reserves	-4.721	-5.698	4.48
<b>Our budget</b>	<b>206.773</b>	<b>218.891</b>	<b>171.99</b>
<b>Less funding from the Government</b>			
Police grant	65.422	66.844	52.52
Revenue support	42.780	43.630	34.28
Council tax support grant	9.199	9.199	7.23
Council tax freeze grant	2.776	2.776	2.18
<b>Council Tax</b>	<b>86.596</b>	<b>96.442</b>	<b>75.78</b>

## Capital Spending

This chart shows our planned capital spending of **£23.6m** in 2019/20. This is funded by borrowing, Government grant and the sale of police properties.



- Central government funding (£0.7m)
- Receipts from property sales (£1.2m)
- Reserves (£2m)
- Borrowing (£19.7m)

## How the money has changed

Our money has increased by £12.118m

	£ millions
<b>Our budget 2018/19</b>	<b>206.773</b>
Savings	-2.736
Inflation, pressures and developments	15.831
Movement in the use of reserves	-0.977
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