

A Message from The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire MARC JONES



WHEN I was elected as the new Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire I made it clear there were several priorities I would address.

High on that list was ensuring the PCC's office ensured it spent tax payers' money wisely.

But equally important is the need for effective crime prevention, to protect and support victims and the vulnerable and to continue improving community safety.

With these priorities at the forefront I have released my Community Safety, Policing and Criminal Justice plan, which sets out my goals to deliver on those promises over the next four years.

The plan is based upon four key building blocks:

- Working together to prevent crime
- Effective policing, there when you need it and responsive to differing communities
- Making sure the people of Lincolnshire have their say in shaping priorities
- Making sure the whole criminal justice system works for those who need it

One reality that has become clear is the best way for our communities to be Safer Together is if all organisations work together.

Not just police but local councils, probation service, health bodies and others are critical to success.

There are some harsh financial realities facing Lincolnshire Police. The county receives the third lowest amount of central Government funding per head of population at just £88.

Compare that to neighbouring counties – with Norfolk receiving £99 per head, Nottinghamshire

£119 and Humberside £132 – you get some idea of the scale of the challenge.

To offset the cut in funding from the Government this year I have set an increase of 1.97% in the police precept - most households less than 10p a week.

We await Government's new funding formula for police and this year I have agreed to spend most of our budget reserve, some £4 million, to ensure services are protected.

Next year we will not be able to repeat this use of reserves as they simply won't be there.

But to suggest the future is doom and gloom would be entirely wrong.

Even with the current budget constraints I am confident we have enough resources to innovate and develop our policing to continue to be amongst the best in the UK.

I am looking at new ways to create an even more effective force, equipped with the best technology available, to ensure we continue to keep our communities and residents safe.

I am confident I am already making good progress on all our priorities and I look forward to the next four years working with the public and partners in Lincolnshire.

One thing I am sure of, if we work in partnership, we will all be Safer Together.



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I am always keen to hear from the people of Lincolnshire.

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Property Band	Cost last year (£)	Increase this year (£)	Cost this year (£)	Increase per week (pence)
A	134.34	2.64	136.98	5
B	156.73	3.08	159.81	6
C	179.12	3.52	182.64	7
D	201.51	3.96	205.47	8
E	246.29	4.84	251.13	9
F	291.07	5.72	296.79	11
G	335.85	6.60	342.45	13
H	403.02	7.92	410.94	15

What money do we receive and how is it spent?

The Police and Crime Commissioner's total funding for 2017/18 is budgeted to be £118.3 million.

The majority of this income (55.7%) comes from government grants, 39.2% comes from council tax.

The majority of the budgeted expenditure is spent on the direct cost of employing police officers, with the rest spent on support staff, vehicles and the other services they need to perform their duties.

Income

Government Grants	55.7%	£65.9m
Council tax	39.2%	£46.4m
Other income	1.8%	£2.1m
Contribution from Reserves	3.3%	£3.9m

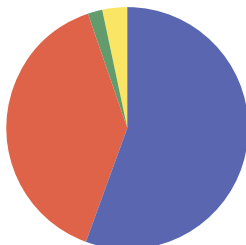
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Expenditure

Police Officers	48.7%	£57.6m
Police Staff	11.2%	£13.2m
Strategic Partner	19.0%	£22.5m
Other costs	21.1%	£25.0m

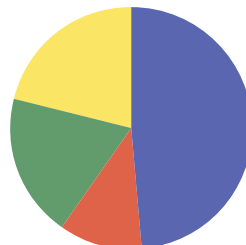
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Income (in £ millions)



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