Comisiynydd Heddlu a Throseddu Dyfed-Powys Police and Crime Commissioner

# Policing Budget for 2025/2026

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## Tackling financial challenges and increasing Police Officers in Local Policing Teams

Your Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Dafydd Llywelyn is responsible for setting the budget for Dyfed-Powys Police. This includes setting the precept, which is the element of council tax that goes towards your local police service.

After a process of extensive scrutiny over several months, Dyfed-Powys Police and Crime Panel unanimously supported the Commissioner's precept proposal for 2025/26, which will increase the average band D property by 8.6%, or £28.65 per annum which is approximately £2.39 per month.

There is a fine balance between addressing operational demands to ensure the safety of the public, whilst ensuring value for money for taxpayers and sound financial management. In setting the precept, the PCC considers an array of factors, including inflation and cost pressures, service demands, future investment requirements for critical infrastructure, efficiency and productivity plans as well as considering the level of reserves. The PCC also actively seeks feedback from residents of the Dyfed-Powys area recognising the additional burden that any increase in the precept will place on taxpayers.

The precept funding will bring significant enhancements to police services, most notably through increasing police officer positions in Local Policing Teams across the Force. This increase will bolster frontline capabilities, with experienced officers being released from desk-based investigations and other support roles to support neighbourhood and response policing.

A precept increase together with the Neighbourhood Policing Guarantee Grant will increase resourcing in Local Policing Teams by 50 FTE Police Officers.

Investments will also be made in critical operational equipment, technology, upgrades and additional staff to support frontline officers and improve efficiency. These enhancements will help reduce administrative burdens, allowing officers to focus more on their duties, improving the quality and timeliness of case handling.

The Force will also strengthen its support for vulnerable callers and continue to invest in training and development, ensuring it remains responsive to the community's needs and delivers a high standard of service and safety.

The Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable are committed to ensuring an efficient and effective service for the public. They are confident that this increase is a necessary investment, safeguarding the safety and well-being of our neighbourhoods.

## What will you pay for policing in 2025-26 through your Council Tax?

### Where the money goes and comes from:

Tax Band	2024/25	2025/26	Increase
А	£221.35	£240.45	£19.10
В	£258.25	£280.53	£22.28
С	£294.14	£320.60	£26.46
D	£332.03	£360.68	£28.65
Е	£405.81	£440.83	£35.02
F	£479.60	£520.98	£41.38
G	£553.38	£601.13	£47.75
Н	£664.06	£721.36	£57.30
I	£ 774.74	£841.59	£66.85



Revenue budget	2024/25 revised £m	2025/26 £m
Office of Police & Crime Commissioner	1.529	1.908
Commissioned Services	1.333	1.657
Transfer from Reserves - PCC	-0.025	-0.275
Net OPCC Costs	2.837	3.289
Police Officer & Police Staff Pay & Pensions	134.214	145.728
Other Running Expenditure	23.952	25.633
Agency & Contracted Services	5.410	5.291
Capital Financing Costs	3.873	4.377
Total Force Gross Expenditure	167.449	181.029
Income	-10.227	-11.032
Other Grants	-15.027	-18.046
Net contribution from Reserves	-1.129	-1.938
Budget Requirement	143.902	153.303
Police Grant (Home Office)	-56.125	-58.839
Redistributed Non-Domestic Rates (Welsh Government)	-0.192	-0.191
Revenue Support Grant (Welsh Government)	-8.220	-7.908
Council Tax Precept	-79.364	-86.365
Total Funding	-143.901	-153.303
Standard Spending Assessment	34.936	35.425
Capital Expenditure Budget	16.588	24.176
Estimate of reserves at end of financial year	-17.507	-10.710

#### An average day for Dyfed-Powys Police:

There are numerous ways in which you can contact the Police, including online. Online contact is dealt with in the same way as non-emergency 101 calls. Here are just some of the demands that contribute to an average day for Dyfed-Powys Police.\*



#### The 25-26 budget will support

Police Officers	1299	<u>a</u>	
PCSOs	132		Comisiynydd Heddlu a Throseddu Dyfed-Powys
Police Staff	964		Police and Crime Commissioner
(FTE Equivalent)			

\*Based on 2023-2024 Financial year data

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