

West Yorkshire Police Council Tax Information 2024/25



We can continue to deliver on our vision for a safer, fairer region

As Mayor of West Yorkshire, I oversee our Police budget, which includes setting part of your Council Tax.

Unfortunately, since 2010, the Government has reduced their funding, in real terms, for West Yorkshire Police. That has left us as one of a few forces nationally to face real term reductions greater than 10%.

However, I know just how much you value your police service and want to see it properly resourced. The positive response to my recent precept survey made this clear, but to maintain it, I've reluctantly had to increase the police section of your council tax by 5.5%.

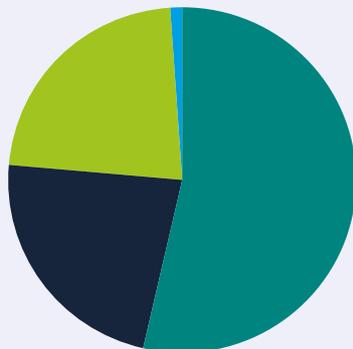
For the majority of the region's households, who are in Bands A to C, this will equate to between an extra 17p to 22p a week.

This crucial funding will be used to recruit more Police Community Support Officers (PSCOs) to keep West Yorkshire's neighbourhoods safe as well as bringing in extra Initial Contact Officers, who answer 999 and 101 calls from the public.

Tracy Brabin
Mayor of West Yorkshire

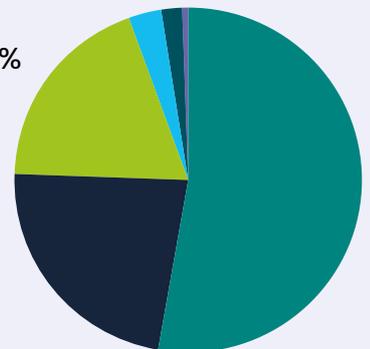
Where the money came from 2024/25

- Government grant 53.8%
- Income 22.7%
- Precept 22.6%
- Other 0.9%



What the money is spent on 2024/25

- Police officers 52.9%
- Police staff 22.8%
- Running costs* 18.9%
- PCSOs 3.2%
- Borrowing 2.0%
- WYCA 0.3%



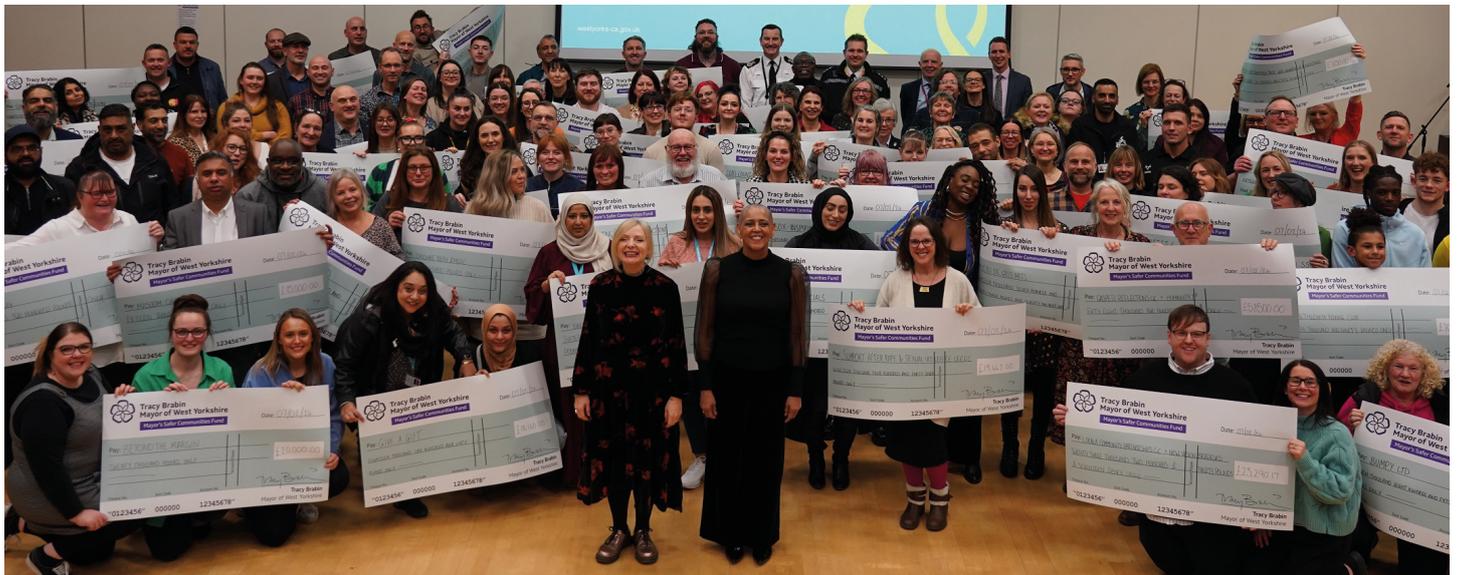
* Running costs eg. premises and vehicles

West Yorkshire continues to have the fourth lowest Precept in England and Wales.

Budget	2023/24 £m	2024/25 £m
Gross Expenditure	694.040	754.940
Council Tax Requirement	159.533	170.542

There will be 5.5% increase to the annual police council tax.

Council Tax Band	Current cost per year £	2024/25 cost £	Annual increase £	Per week increase £
A	157.52	166.19	8.67	0.17
B	183.78	193.89	10.11	0.19
C	210.02	221.58	11.56	0.22
D	236.28	249.28	13.00	0.25
E	288.78	304.67	15.89	0.31
F	341.29	360.07	18.78	0.36
G	393.80	415.47	21.67	0.42
H	472.56	498.56	26.00	0.50



I've been working with the police, partners agencies and my Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, Alison Lowe OBE over the last year to make our region a better place, this includes:

- Funding an Independent Stalking Advocacy Service, supporting hundreds of victims of domestic stalking.
- Launching a Safer Travel Team to increase bus safety with dedicated patrols.
- Creating the viral “Just Don’t” campaign targeting inappropriate behaviour and empowering men and boys to change society for the better.
- Over £2.4 million taken from criminals has been shared across 289 local projects as part of my Mayor’s Safer Communities Fund.

- Working towards eliminating road death and serious injuries through Vision Zero.
- Crucial work to tackle knife crime and serious violence particularly among young people, alongside our dedicated Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP).

You can find out more about our work and contact us on the below:

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