

Police Council Tax 2015/2016

As your Police and Crime Commissioner, I have protected frontline policing as far as possible here in West Yorkshire working with the police, local Councillors and partners ensuring our communities are safer and feel safer.

Bringing down burglary rates, tackling anti-social behaviour, dealing with domestic violence, and working with partners to make our children safer are some of the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan.

I pledged to tackle these issues and protect frontline policing because you tell me when I am out and about in our communities that you want more police officers on the streets. To achieve this has meant a slight increase of the police part of your council tax which in real terms will mean an extra £2 a year for around two thirds of households.

What your money is spent on

This will pay for the recruitment of 82 police officers, although government cuts will mean a reduction overall in police numbers and the decisions on resources will get tougher.

I have consulted with people across West Yorkshire as part of my Community Conversation survey and 55% of respondents said they would be prepared to pay an increase of 2% or more to pay for policing.

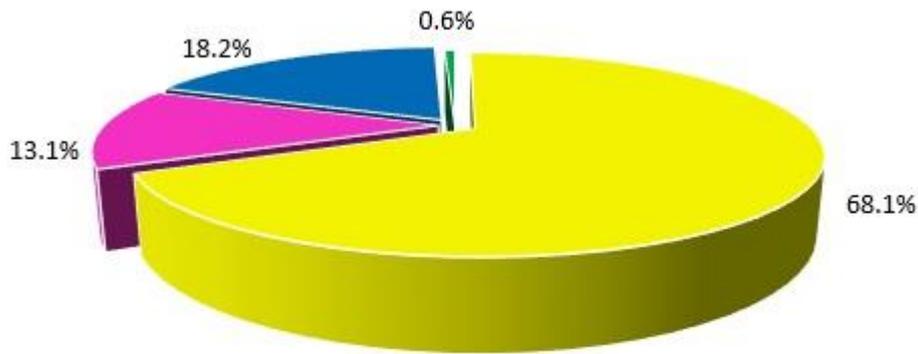
To find out more about policing and community safety in your area, read the Police and Crime Plan.

Summary: There will be a 1.99per cent increase to the annual police council tax

Council Tax Band	Increase £p per annum
A	1.84
B	2.14
C	2.45
D	2.75
E	3.35
F	3.97
G	4.59
H	5.50

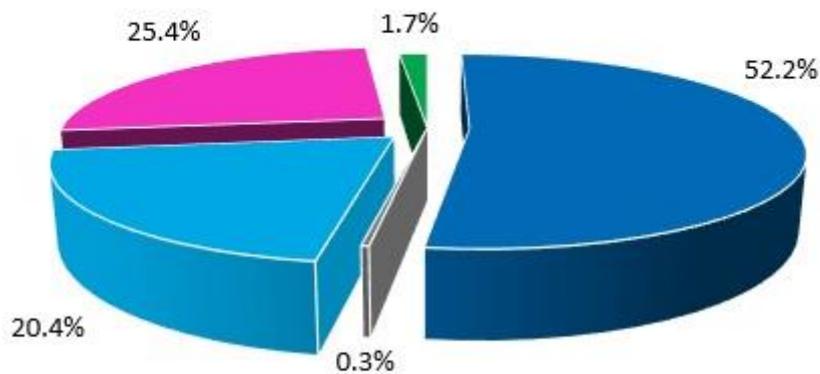
Budget	2014-2015 £m	2015-2016 £m
Gross Expenditure	500.551	469.038
Council Tax Requirement	82.390	85.323

Where The Money Came From 2015/16



- Government Formula Grant 68.1%
- Income including Specific Grant 13.1%
- Precept (Police Council Tax) 18.2%
- Use of Reserves 0.6%

What The Money Is Spent On 2015/16



- Police Officers 52.2%
- Running costs e.g. premises, vehicle costs, IT, regional working 25.4%
- Police Staff 20.4%
- Borrowing for Capital Spending 1.7%
- Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner 0.3%