



180 more police officers for Kent Police

A message from the elected Police and Crime Commissioner for Kent, Matthew Scott

In the last three years, I have worked hard to provide Kent Police with the resources they need to fight crime, catch criminals and be visible in our towns and villages.

I've delivered 270 more police officers. I've protected all 300 of Kent Police's Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs). 101 waiting times are starting to come down. There's more help available for victims of crime and I helped fund the return of the Volunteer Police Cadets programme for young people.

We are all so grateful for the hard work of Kent Police officers, staff and volunteers. They do difficult and dangerous things to keep us safe, day in, day out. But with the extra demand they face we simply need more of them.

In 2019/20, with the support of the Chief Constable and the Kent Medway and Police and Crime Panel, I am increasing the amount an average household pays in council tax by £24, or £2 a month. This will help pay for things like rising costs of pay and national insurance for officers and staff, pensions, vehicle insurance and general inflation.

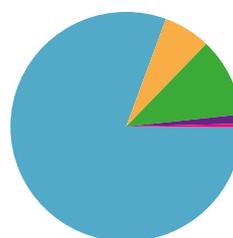
Crucially, it will also enable the Chief Constable to look to recruit another 180 additional police officers and equip them with the latest technology to do their jobs.

My plan means that by next year there will be 450 more police officers in Kent than when I was elected. I'll also have funded over 100 additional police staff posts too.

This is not a decision I have taken lightly. I always make sure your money is well spent and Kent Police will have to make £10m of efficiency savings next year too.

As your elected Police and Crime Commissioner, I set Kent Police's strategic priorities and am here to speak up for you. You can find out more about my work via my website or on social media. Please contact my office, or Kent Police, if there are any issues you wish to raise about policing where you live.

Where every £1 of the police budget goes:



- Kent Police pay and overtime **81p**
- Premises costs **6p**
- Transport, supplies and other non-pay costs **12p**
- Support for victims and community safety projects **1p**
- The PCC and his office **less than 1p**

Kent Police funding explained:

The policing part of your council tax, which is set by the PCC, is only around 10% of your total bill. The rest of what you pay in council tax goes to your local councils and the fire service.

Council tax contributions to Kent Police, among the lowest in the country, cover only one third of the total policing budget. Most of our money comes from central Government.

Ways that you can contact Matthew Scott:

- Write: **OPCC, Kent Police HQ, Sutton Road, Maidstone, ME15 9BZ**
- Call: **01622 677055**
- Email: **contactyourpcc@pcc.kent.pnn.police.uk**
- Twitter: **@PCCKENT**
- Visit: **www.kent-pcc.gov.uk**



Making it easier to get in touch

In an **EMERGENCY** only call



when life is in **immediate danger** or when a **crime is in progress**



Report

ONLINE

The easy way to report crime



Go to www.kent.police.uk/report

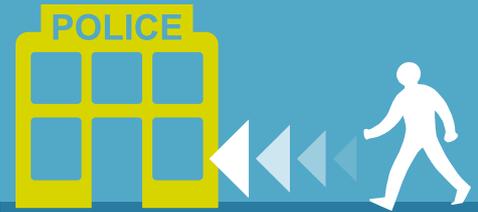


Report a crime, incident or non-injury collision in minutes



Receive your confirmation email and reference number immediately

Front counters – Report to your nearest front counter



You can report issues to one of our front counters. To find your nearest one visit our website.

www.kent.police.uk/your-area

Crimestoppers – You can give information anonymously

CrimeStoppers.

0800 555 111

100% anonymous. Always.



- We are not the police
- Nobody will know you have helped us
- We pay cash rewards of up to £1,000

www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Reporting hubs – Another way to report hate crime

You can visit one of our reporting hub drop-in surgeries based in Medway.

You don't need an appointment (in most cases) and will be given advice and support by a trained team member.



www.kent.police.uk/advice/hate-crime

ActionFraud

Report Fraud & Internet Crime
actionfraud.police.uk

ActionFraud is the UK's national fraud and cyber crime reporting centre.



Report 24/7
actionfraud.police.uk



0300 123 2040
Mon-Fri 8am to 9pm
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Ask the Police – Your policing questions answered

No need to phone. Get an instant answer online

Browse the **A to Z** question finder



www.askthe.police.uk

True Vision – hate crime or incidents and how to report it

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- find out what hate crimes or hate incidents are.
- find out about the ways you can report them.
- report using the online form.
- find information about people that can help and support you if you have been a victim.

www.report-it.org.uk/home

Country Eye – Helping to keep the Kent countryside safe



Snap a photo of the suspicious behaviour, incident or concern.



Receive updates and alerts on the incident you submit.



Tell us where you are or use your phone's built in GPS location.

www.countryeye.co.uk

What about nuisance or environmental issues?

You should contact your local council about general issues in your area like:



Dog fouling



Abandoned vehicles



Dumping and fly tipping



Vandalism of public property

www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council

101 to report crime and other concerns that **do not** require an emergency response

For example:

- stolen car
- property damaged
- suspect drug use or dealing

Or:

- give information about crime
- have a general enquiry



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