

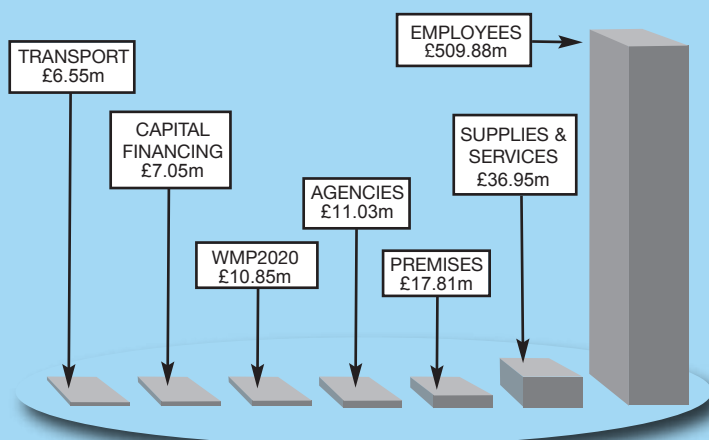


The tables below show how the net budget of the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner (£569.85m) is funded from Central Government, business ratepayers and the precept on council taxpayers. This is compared with the previous year (£535.29m) with the main changes shown separately below.

## How the money is spent

## Revenue Expenditure Budget 2019-20

	2018-19 £m	2019-20 £m
Employees	476.34	509.88
Premises	17.31	17.81
Transport	6.84	6.55
Supplies & Services	40.50	36.95
Agency Expenses	4.98	11.03
Capital financing	4.05	7.05
WMP2020 costs	17.55	10.85
Gross expenditure	567.56	600.12
Income	-27.73	-33.33
Police force net expenditure	<b>539.83</b>	<b>566.79</b>
Victim support expenditure, reducing crime grants & governance	11.64	11.70
Restorative justice & Victim support income	-3.33	-3.35
Total net expenditure	<b>548.14</b>	<b>575.15</b>
Use of reserves	-12.85	-5.30
Net budget requirement	<b>535.29</b>	<b>569.85</b>



## Where the money comes from

## How spending

## has changed

	2018-19 £m	2019-20 £m
Net budget requirement	535.29	569.85
Less:		
Police grant	-247.32	-252.70
Revenue support grant & non domestic rates	-177.75	-181.30
Council tax support grant	-19.03	-19.03
Additional Pension Grant	0.00	-6.96
Gross Precept	<b>91.19</b>	<b>109.86</b>
Collection Fund Surplus	-0.95	-1.07
Council tax requirement	<b>90.24</b>	<b>108.79</b>
Resident population	2,864,925	2,864,925

2019-20 net expenditure	<b>£m</b> <b>548.1</b>
Add:	
Police Officer Pension Increase	15.1
National Pay Awards, Inflation & Misc	18.6
Less:	
WMP2020 Project costs	-6.6
2019-20 Net Expenditure	<b>575.2</b>

## What you will pay for policing in West Midlands in 2019-20

COUNCIL TAX BAND	COST	Yearly amount per property
A	<b>£101.70</b>	
B	<b>£118.65</b>	
C	<b>£135.60</b>	
D	<b>£152.55</b>	
E	<b>£186.45</b>	
F	<b>£220.35</b>	
G	<b>£254.25</b>	
H	<b>£305.10</b>	

## Spend on policing per head of population in 2019-20

Council tax	£37.97
Police grant	£88.20
Revenue support grant & non domestic rates	£63.28
Council tax support grant	£6.64
Additional pension grant	£2.43
Equivalent to an average cost per person of	<b>£198.53</b>

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## Policing Precepts 2019-20



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West Midlands	£152.55
Staffordshire	£216.56
West Mercia	£216.66
Warwickshire	£227.98



Police and Crime Commissioner  
David Jamieson



This budget will mean that West Midlands Police does not shrink any further. Since 2010, the spending power of the force has been reduced by £175m which has led to 2,000 fewer officers on the streets as a result of government cuts.

The police funding announcement from central government for 2019/20 cut the spending power of local forces and required Police and Crime Commissioners to seek money from the local council tax payers in their areas. The force is also facing additional pensions costs of over £15 million from government.

In official Government documents, the Home Office and Treasury expects that all Police Crime and Commissioners will increase the precept by the maximum amount. Therefore it is essentially a Government expectation that police precepts are increased by the maximum amount.

I asked the people for their thoughts on the government proposed £24-a-year increase (for a band D property) on the policing precept, however for most people in the West Midlands this will be between £16-£19. This would mean the force will not shrink further. It would still leave local people paying

at least £60 less than people in neighbouring force areas such as Staffordshire, West Mercia and Warwickshire. 76% of the over 500 consultation responses were supportive of the budget plans.

To ensure the force doesn't shrink any further, the government has strongly indicated it expects PCCs to increase council tax by the maximum amount. That means a £24-a-year increase for a Band D taxpayer.

With the force still facing real terms cuts it is the only option left to protect officer numbers. I would prefer government not to shift the cost onto local council tax payers, but they have left no other option.

Government funding does not match the huge increases in pension costs that they have placed on West Midlands Police and inflationary pressures we are facing. This means that to plug the gap in police funding the government have essentially mandated Commissioners to increase the council tax by the maximum amount, or cut officer numbers even further. I was not prepared to see police officer numbers reduce further, that means that this increase in council tax is a necessity to maintain police on our streets and keep our communities safe.



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