

Budget breakdown

	2008/9 £'000	2007/8 £'000
Police pay	160,582	156,565
Police pensions	32,682	32,151
Support staff	83,123	77,669
Other expenditure	48,346	50,011
Gross revenue budget	324,733	316,396
Income from other sources	-57,833	-58,484
Budget requirement	266,900	257,912

Police spending

How we are funded

	£'000	£/resident
Budget requirement funded by:		
Government police grant	109,441	66.95
Government revenue support grant	10,583	6.47
Business rates grant	67,146	41.08
2007/8 council tax collection deficit	-31	-0.02
Balance to be met by council taxpayers	79,761	48.80
Total	266,900	163.28

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Your policing services

Providing you with the best possible policing



Why spending has changed

	£'000
Revenue budget for 2007/8	257,912
Pay and price changes	8,645
Service developments and unavoidable cost increases	5,843
Savings	-5,500
Total budget requirement for 2008/9	266,900



Useful numbers

In an emergency dial: **999**
For all non-emergencies: **01622 690690**
Kent Crimestoppers: **0800 555 111**
National domestic violence helpline: **0808 2000 247**
Kent Homophobic incident reporting line: **0800 328 9162**
Kent Racial incident reporting line: **0800 138 1624**
Report a non-urgent crime online: www.reportacrime.kent.police.uk

Police council tax 2008-2009

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Kent Police Authority has set a policing budget of £266.9 million. This means for a band D household your police council tax will increase by £6 this year (4.99%).

'Each year the authority faces a hard decision in balancing tax levels and priority areas for investment. Last year the authority visited towns across Kent and Medway to find out how you would spend your money. We have taken your thoughts on board and listened carefully to those of the Chief Constable.

'More police officers will be appointed to supervise known violent, sexual and dangerous offenders living in the county and dedicated neighbourhood task teams will be introduced. Successful pilots in Medway and East Kent show the task teams complement neighbourhood teams already in place by providing back-up and support. They can help make a difference in reducing criminal damage, anti-social behaviour and increase feelings of safety.

'Yes there is a small rise in your police council tax but I'm confident you will see the benefits. Let's not forget you pay less for your policing service in Kent and Medway than almost all other parts of England. The police authority prides itself on being robust in financial management and we will do all we can as your representatives to make sure you get the best possible value for money.'

Ann Barnes

Ann Barnes,
Chair of Kent Police Authority

How much you pay

Your household falls into one of the bands below. The chart shows how much you will have to pay in 2008/9.

Band A	£85.50	Band E	£156.75
Band B	£99.75	Band F	£185.25
Band C	£114.00	Band G	£213.75
Band D	£128.25	Band H	£256.50



How we're spending your money

New neighbourhood task teams

Each policing area will have its own new neighbourhood task team made up of five police constables and one sergeant.

The teams will respond to specific and sometimes longer-term local issues such as criminal damage and anti-social behaviour.

This will complement neighbourhood teams already in place by providing intensive back-up support. Each team will work with other local agencies to tackle local priorities set by local people.

More police to supervise violent, sexual and dangerous offenders

A total of ten new police officer posts will be created to help supervise known offenders living in the county. This includes actively monitoring them and assessing any risks to communities.

The officers will work closely with the Probation Service and Her Majesty's Prison Service as well as sharing information with social care, health, housing and education services.

Looking after confidential police information

A new team will improve how police store, record, and delete information following recommendations from the Soham murders in 2002.

New standards will be applied to all information held by Kent Police from 999 calls to crime scene information.

A new code of practice is being introduced nationally and will mean forces and other agencies will be able to share data more effectively.



Did you know every day Kent Police:

- deals with 674 emergency 999 calls
- handles 1,711 non-emergency calls
- makes 143 arrests

*Based on figures for April – December 2007