

How is North Yorkshire Police funded?

North Yorkshire Police currently has a budget of £221 million. Around £97 million of this (44 per cent) comes from a precept on your council tax.

To maintain the current level of service, North Yorkshire Police will need an extra £15 million to cover inflation and other ongoing costs. About £5m of this would need to be raised through the precept.

The Government has set a national limit allowing an increase of up to £14 in policing precepts for an average Band D property. If this was applied in York and North Yorkshire it would raise £4.4 million.

The following options are based on the amount of council tax an average Band D property would pay for policing. This is currently £306.86 per year.

An increase of £14 a year, for a Band D property would mean:

Property Band	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Increase per annum £	Increase per week £
A	204.57	213.91	9.33	0.18
B	238.67	249.56	10.89	0.21
C	272.76	285.21	12.44	0.24
D	306.86	320.86	14.00	0.27
E	375.05	392.16	17.11	0.33
F	443.24	463.46	20.22	0.39
G	511.43	534.77	23.33	0.45
H	613.72	641.72	28.00	0.54



Have your say

PLEASE RETURN BEFORE 20 JANUARY 2025

Police

A Band D property currently pays £306.86 each year for policing.

How much more are you willing to pay each year for policing in York and North Yorkshire?

- ☐ Up to £12 a year (£1 per month)
This would raise around £3.8 million but is below the organisation's inflationary pressures and would likely lead to reductions in current levels of service delivery unless savings could be delivered.
- ☐ Up to £14 a year (£1.17 per month)
This would raise around £4.4 million, matching the organisation's inflationary pressures. Current levels of service delivery would be maintained and it would hopefully allow some investment. For example, in neighbourhood policing, early intervention and prevention activities and tackling violence against women and girls.
- ☐ Up to £18 a year (£1.50 per month)
This would raise around £5.7 million and is likely to be higher than the organisation's inflationary pressures, allowing more significant investment. For example, in neighbourhood policing, early intervention and prevention activities and tackling violence against women and girls.

Your Area:

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☐ Hambleton☐ Richmondshire☐ Scarborough☐ York

How to have your say
Your views are important so please let us know what you think NOW by:

- Completing the form and returning it by FREEPOST
- Registering your views online at YourPoliceAndFire.com
- Sending an email to info@northyorkshire-pfcc.gov.uk
- Telephone 01423 569 562

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Have your say on local police and fire and rescue funding 2025/2026

It is my priority to provide a safe place for everyone in York and North Yorkshire. This includes providing emergency services that can keep everyone who lives here, works here or visits us, safe and feeling safe.

One of my roles is to set the precepts for both North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

Balancing the budgets against rising costs and underinvestment, especially in our fire service, has led to challenging times. Asking for more investment to develop and maintain our services is never a task taken lightly.

It is vital that I hear your views, before I make any decision, so please take a few minutes to complete this form and send it back to me, FREEPOST.

Thank you for your time.

David Skaith
Mayor of York and North Yorkshire



David Skaith



Funding your Fire Service

As Mayor, I am committed to addressing the underinvestment in North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service by increasing the fire precept.

During the recent consultation on the priorities for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service, 88% of respondents said they supported investment to address the legacy of underinvestment.

Over the last five years, significant savings and efficiencies have been made from the police and fire services working together, substantial savings being made from a shared estate and co-location of frontline staff, as well as shared support services.

However, to avoid overspend, North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service has had to significantly reduce its capital investment programme, preventing much needed modernisation of its fire stations, vehicles, and equipment.

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service continues to seek savings and efficiencies. However, without increased funding, the delivery of frontline services will be affected, reducing the level of service provided to the public at a time when climate change is increasing the demand for our fire and rescue services through increased flooding and moorland fires.

To put the finances of North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service back on track will require a precept increase of £15 a year, just £1.25 per month for a Band D property.

This would allow the Service to maintain the current delivery of services and make some improvements. For example, it would help fund crucial upgrades to fire stations, enhance firefighter safety and welfare with better equipment and training, and reduce debt, making your fire service more stable and financially secure.

Without this level of increase, North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service will have to 'save to survive' rather than 'save to invest.'



North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service

How is North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service funded?

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service has a budget of £45 million. Around £27 million of this (60 per cent), comes from a precept on your council tax.

In the past, there has been significant underinvestment in North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. The Service needs at least £5 million more than last year to maintain current service levels and to provide investment and essential improvements to fire stations, training and equipment. Most of this would need to be raised through the precept.

The Mayor is committed to addressing this underinvestment by increasing the amount of precept for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

The following options are based on the amount of council tax an average Band D property would pay for fire and rescue services. This is currently £83.02 per year.



An increase of £15 a year, for a Band D property would mean:

	2024/25	2025/26	Increase per annum	Increase per week
Property Band	£	£	£	£
A	55.35	65.35	10.00	0.19
B	64.57	76.24	11.67	0.22
C	73.80	87.13	13.33	0.26
D	83.02	98.02	15.00	0.29
E	101.47	119.80	18.33	0.35
F	119.92	141.58	21.67	0.42
G	138.37	163.37	25.00	0.48
H	166.04	196.04	30.00	0.58

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Fire & Rescue

A Band D property currently pays £83.02 each year for fire and rescue services.

How much more are you willing to pay each year for fire and rescue services in York and North Yorkshire?

- ☐ Up to £6 a year (50 pence per month)
This would raise around £1.9 million but could result in a reduction in the delivery of services and resources which may put firefighter and public safety at risk.
- ☐ Up to £15 a year (£1.25 per month)
This would raise around £4.7 million, allowing the Service to maintain the current delivery of services and make some improvements. For example, it would help fund crucial upgrades to fire stations, enhance firefighter safety and welfare with better equipment and training, and reduce debt, making your fire service more stable and financially secure.
- ☐ Up to £24 a year (£2 per month)
This would raise around £7.5 million, allowing enhanced investments in fire stations and other buildings, vehicles, training, equipment, and firefighter safety and welfare. It would reduce debt and create a financially secure Service for the future. It would also enhance other areas of service delivery from prevention and protection to emergency response which would help improve public safety.

