

# RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY CONCERNS

**“I'M FED UP WITH SHOPLIFTERS.”**

*I held a Retail Safety Summit to hear directly from retailers about their experiences with antisocial behaviour, violence and theft. Cleveland Police's charge rate for shoplifting currently stands at 22.6%, significantly higher than the national average of 14.5%.*

**“I'M SICK OF ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR.”**

*I have funded projects throughout Cleveland that have made an impact in reducing levels of ASB. In some areas that received additional funding, like Hemlington in Middlesbrough, ASB rates have dropped by 67%. Additional patrols have been funded to take place in ASB hotspots until later this year.*

**“I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE DRUGS IN MY AREA.”**

*As chair of the Cleveland Combatting Drugs Partnership I work to clamp down on the drugs' supply chain and dealers. I have invested £125,000 in Project ADDER, which aims to cut drug-related crime and deaths in Middlesbrough. To date, this project has resulted in the arrest of over 550 people, made 1,613 drug seizures and secured prison sentences of almost 45 years.*



Putting the pride back into Cleveland Police

OPCC Resolution Team leads the way in customer service excellence in England and Wales being the first in the country to gain the CSE award.



**STEVE TURNER**  
CLEVELAND POLICE AND  
CRIME COMMISSIONER

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Cleveland Police removed from special measures



260 additional Cleveland Police officers since 2019



Almost 10,000 downloads of COPA online policing app across Cleveland



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INVESTMENT IN COMMUNITIES DURING 2023/24

Aeronauts trampolining held free sessions for young people over October half-term, providing a safe space and reducing antisocial behaviour.



HARTLEPOOL

EVA Women's Aid were provided with additional funding to meet the growing demand for counselling services following sexual violence.



REDCAR AND CLEVELAND

OVER  
**£5million**  
INVESTED ACROSS CLEVELAND

MIDDLESBROUGH

The Shack has extended its targeted outreach work to help adult males meet peers, work together, learn new skills and build confidence.



STOCKTON-ON-TEES



Custody Navigators are now embedded in Cleveland Police's custody suite to support young people to make better choices and avoid future offending.



INVESTING IN CLEVELAND POLICE

As your Police and Crime Commissioner, I have made the difficult but necessary decision to increase the policing precept for 2024/25 by 4.47% - or £13 - per year for a Band D property.

Whilst this is not an easy decision to make in the current economic climate, it is necessary to support Cleveland Police on their journey of improvement. This increase will allow:



48 additional police officers, taking officer numbers in Cleveland to the highest level since 2011.



NO cuts to policing or community safety services - and a balanced budget for the next four years.



Investing in the long-term to help Cleveland Police improve even further, following their exit from 'special measures'.

This table sets out how much more you will pay in your council tax for policing and community safety in 2024/25.

	£13 or 4.47% increase			
Property Band	2024/25	2023/24	Increase per Annum	Increase per Week
	£	£	£	£
A	202.49	193.82	8.67	0.17
B	236.23	226.12	10.11	0.19
C	269.99	258.43	11.56	0.22
D	303.73	290.73	13.00	0.25
E	371.23	355.34	15.89	0.30
F	438.72	419.94	18.78	0.36
G	506.22	484.55	21.67	0.42
H	607.46	581.46	26.00	0.50