

YES / NO	Reason (limited to 1000 characters)	District/borough
YES	The police force is in such dire need of funding that not granting this additional money would undoubtedly significantly affect how well the police can do their jobs.	Babergh
YES	But I would really rather it wasn't! As the country is only just coming out of a period of relatively high inflation keeping all Council tax increases to a minimum is important. This rise will be in addition to what Suffolk County Council impose, so could place some difficulties on households that are already financially compromised. It is imperative that the Chief Constable ensures that monies are spent effectively and efficiently on front line services and projects and developments are kept on budget.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Seems a small price to pay for security.	East Suffolk
YES	People need to feel safe in their homes.	Ipswich
YES	Guess we will have to fund it if this ridiculous government will not do so!	East Suffolk
YES	As long as it is used for the actual police and not going into the pockets of administration.	East Suffolk
YES	I support the request. Good policing is vital for the welfare of our society.	East Suffolk
YES	The police service already seems overstretched and under resourced, we cant afford to lose any more aspects of its performance.	Mid Suffolk
YES	The appalling under funding of Suffolk by the government due to the unfair formula being used makes this increase necessary.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Only wish to agree to the increase if we get more visible policing on the streets. Quicker response to 999 calls when police are required to a scene or property. Would like to feel safe in our own homes and on our streets..	West Suffolk

YES	Rural policing is very important and should be encouraged in every possible way. We need to see that the police are there to protect us.	East Suffolk
YES	I don't want lack of funds to be the excuse you use to not do your job well. Let's fund you and see improvements immediately.	East Suffolk
YES	The Police should be fully funded. Ensure local contributions are not used by National Government to scale back their contribution. Generally good service although local village of Wickham Market is apparently regarded as an outlying area and gets little in the way of Police presence or patrols.	East Suffolk
YES	We need to preserve and invest in our local services and police, this is only just over £1 a month and I think is value for money.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I would like to see the constabulary using British motors - produced in Gt Britain - not the makes made outside Gt Britain. I would like to see officers attending parish council meetings - to get a feel for local issues - especially in rural areas where people complain amongst themselves but do not always complain directly to the police. Areas such as rat-runs to avoid roadworks, speeding through villages, the correct behaviour around horses on the road, catching fly-tippers (not your job but more policing in known trouble spots?) getting to know the area,,,,	Mid Suffolk
YES	Police services are stretched and practically non existent in rural areas where I live. Whilst I'm not a fan of yet more increases at a time when everything is so expensive and it's impossible for the average family to stay in the black, this is a small increase per person and I'd be ok with it if it meant the police could improve its services to the public!	Babergh
YES	The proposed increase is roughly in line with inflation, and as I do not wish to see a reduction in the level of service I receive from the police, I am in favour of this increase to maintain these services.	West Suffolk
YES	Although, like everyone else, I do not want to pay extra but with the ever growing number of people who are not content with living life lawfully we need to ensure that the Police force is adequately funded.	Ipswich
YES	Everything is increasing in price today so if we are to have a police force to control the lawless element which is getting worse we need to finance it.	East Suffolk

YES	WE NEED THE POLICE FORCE TO BE AS STRONG AS POSSIBLE	Mid Suffolk
YES	I would rather feel safe, so if this is necessary, I'm ok with it.	East Suffolk
YES	Our police service is vital, in fact more vital than ever with threats from many fronts and it is important that the public are able to be protected by a fast responding, professional and successful service. Success should be measured in terms of response times, crime detection rates and successful prosecutions.	East Suffolk
YES	If the government will not fund law and order then council tax payers will have to	East Suffolk
YES	Demand is becoming higher and higher with different crime trends increasing all the time along with the population of Suffolk. This small increase can make such a difference to the service that can be provided. The Sentinel Teams are an excellent example of results that can be produced/funded from the increase.	Ipswich
YES	The police performance over the last few years has not been good, so your opening statement shows a lack of understanding of the situation. Also, you state that the current force provides good value for money, does it? We only have your word for that and you clearly view the situation through rose coloured spectacles. I would like an independent audit. That said, if improved funding will improve performance then I am in favour.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I want to keep the standards of policing up and not compromise performance with lack of funds and am quite prepared to pay extra on my council tax to fund this.	East Suffolk
YES	More police awareness in my village Wickhambrook would be good Also more police on the roads would be great as I travel to Barrow village primary school from Wickhambrook every evening to work This I do risking my life every time as drivers seem to think that keeping to the speed limit gives them the right to tail gate you and then overtake at dangerous parts of the road risking themselves and other innocent people's lives Also police are needed near Wickhambrook primary school at picking up and taking children to school to see how parents feel they have the right to park and race their cars to suit them not caring about other children or how dangerous it is to others. I know that insurance companies think us aged 70 plus are the cause of most accidents but I disagree	West Suffolk
YES	Hopefully you get what you pay for and we need a effective police force, if by paying a bit extra each week you achieve this it will be money well spent.	Mid Suffolk

YES	I support contributing to the development and operations of Suffolk Constabulary	Babergh
YES	We need to maintain good policing in Suffolk and totally understand the need for an increase in Council Tax.	East Suffolk
YES	But only if we get more police on the streets and if we have a problem they come out to your home.It would be very nice to see a policeman on the streets.	West Suffolk
YES	I acknowledge that costs are rising. But I'm not sure that in rural areas we are getting value for money. I cannot remember the last time we saw police in this area.	West Suffolk
YES	One of the major services we need to be able to carry out their tasks 100% at all times.	Ipswich
YES	It's important to maintain or improve standards as much as possible.	East Suffolk
YES	ALL reported crimes need to be investigated and hopefully solved and Suffolk Police need increased resources including personnel to get the job done.	West Suffolk
YES	Ideally all public resources should be funded by central government by direct taxation but that is politically a no no! Obviously many areas are under funded, Police, NHS, Roads etc. All are essential services, so ring-fenced local taxation must be the next best thing.	Babergh
YES	it seems we have little choice if the already minimal service is to be maintained.	Mid Suffolk
YES	If we want to see more officers in our towns / or our roads we need to pay to make it happen!	Mid Suffolk
YES	As the population increases, crime and traffic offences increase. We need to increase Police presence to capture or prevent ALL offences, whether major or minor. On a personal level, I would like to see Variable Speed / ANPR Cameras along the A137 in the villages of Tattingstone and Brantham, not just to prevent the daily onslaught of speeding traffic, but also, as a deterrent to County Line criminals, using the A137 instead of the A12 to avoid. In the interests of Safety plus Prevention of Crime, I will gladly pay more than your proposed increase.	Babergh

YES	We want the standard of policing to at least be stable if not improving	Mid Suffolk
YES	The police in Bury are doing a good job and I want this to continue.	West Suffolk
YES	Fair value I would say	Babergh
YES	Happy with the increase provided the concerns of our local MP and his recent questionnaire are given serious consideration	Ipswich
YES	Extra funds are vital and this government will not increase funding to match current demand.	Ipswich
YES	Currently the force are unable to secure a safe environment free from anti social behaviour with their current inadequate numbers. The force needs more officers on the beat to enforce a much more safer neighbourhood. Everyday there are cycles stolen, sheds and garages broken into, motor bikes stolen, cars with lights not working, cars with number plates covered in dirt, cycles with no lights at night, cars parked on double yellow lines, kids playing chicken on the highway, shoplifting, drug driving, no tax diesel, no vehicle insurance- MOT- Road funding etc.etc.etc. Hopefully this funding is for more officers on ths beat. The government needs to be approached to ensure adequate funding compatable with other counties.	East Suffolk
YES	We need the Police service at its best.	Ipswich
YES	Policing is currently inadequate, and while I believe savings can still be made by reducing spend and focus on socially fashionable areas of policing such as EDI, and by longer term standardisation across forces, there is still a clear need to have more police officers active in the community detecting and preventing crime and pursuing criminals. If the central government won't pay for it, then we have to.	Babergh
YES	In view of inflation this increase seems reasonable but I would expect a lower increase next year if inflation continues to fall or expect to be informed of the reasons why not	East Suffolk

YES	This survey is being completed on behalf of Nowton Parish Council by the Clerk. Whilst not all Councillors were in agreement with the proposal to increase, all felt it is essential to support the Police. The Parish Council hoped that the newly introduced policing model, plus the further uplift in the monetary annual increase, would result in an increased enforcement presence in the area.	West Suffolk
YES	I am increasingly concerned with the reduction in police presence in rural communities, I find it extraordinary that such a small percentage of the thefts or acts of criminal damage are actually investigated. These are so often deemed not to be in the public interest to investigate or pursue - surely we are the public so it is in our interest however irrelevant it may seem to police authorities. I understand that the demands on police have increased enormously, but unfortunately so has public faith in the likelihood of being able to readily access the services when they are the victims of crime. I hope that an increase in the policing element of council tax will allow some return to the police taking an interest in all crime. This would help to restore faith in the service particularly now that communities no longer have local police stations	East Suffolk
YES	Generally the force does a good job. Progress on drug offences has been impressive. It seems contacts with members of the public to solve crimes has been a positive	West Suffolk
YES	Good idea. I have no issues with pay more towards the Police. Be good to see some more Traffic Officers.	East Suffolk
YES	Little choice to maintain services in light of funding from central government.	Ipswich
YES	More police presence in villages and better control of parking, particularly on corners of road junctions. Get rid of rat runs.	West Suffolk
YES	However proper funding and a longer term approach is needed from government. Having a Conservative PCC seems at odds with what is needed to sort years of attrition out.	East Suffolk
YES	Perhaps if you get this increase it would be nice to see policing done we in Felixstowe are very lucky if we actually see an officer, apart from in a car occasionally. I am not for the increase but if perhaps we can have a proper patrol rather than the race around in a car then I would agree.	East Suffolk

YES	I recognise that central government does not provide Suffolk police with sufficient funds.	East Suffolk
YES	If the funding is required, we'll have to pay.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree with your justification for the increase.	West Suffolk
YES	BUT - this should have targets set against it to improve the service rural communities are getting - I agree in principle - costs are rising - but I think the service has room for improvement.	East Suffolk
YES	But only if no money is wasted on woke campaigns. For example, no patrol cars paid with the Pride & trans flag. Crimes get recorded using the biological sex of the perpetrators, not gender. Women's safety is taken seriously.	East Suffolk
YES	We need the police and if this is the only way to guarantee they will be there when we need them then we have no choice but to pay a higher amount. Any amount is challenging especially as pensioners who cannot do overtime or extra work to make more money but these are the times we now live in. Thank you for your work	East Suffolk
YES	We need more police on the streets	Ipswich
YES	It is a small price to pay for maintaining the level of service we have but the government should provide more funding so the service could maybe improve.	Babergh
YES	We need a responsive force	West Suffolk
YES	The demands on the Police Service continue to increase and the service must be able to respond.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Policing is a key aspect of our everyday life, to that end a modest per household increase of circa £13 appears to be fair if it is aligned with a quantifiable and visual change to Suffolk's police force. Further visual presence on the streets and lanes of Suffolk would be a welcome result of the increased cost. Thank you,	Babergh

YES	Effective policing is key to sustaining Suffolk as a mostly peaceful community. The challenges to law and order are, however, likely to grow. I would be keen to see evidence the uplift, which I support, will be used to deter, disrupt and defeat crime more 'upstream' to both reduce crime but also better manage the perception of its threat.	West Suffolk
YES	NEEDS MUST	Babergh
YES	As long as we see more Police on the street, dealing with issues that affect local Tax payers. Issues that cause tension in communities such as; where you have two schools close together, and on arrival and departure each day while dropping off or collecting, cause constant concerns with Dangerous and aggressive driving, anti social behaviour towards residents, parking in dangerous and thoughtless positions. These are real issues that have serious consequences if not dealt with, despite complaints they are never dealt with.	West Suffolk
YES	Assuming that the element is used for catching and imprisoning criminals rather than to pay for any further diversity officers and such consultants, it is a small price to pay for the peace of mind it brings, and the reduction of risk of crime.	West Suffolk
YES	I agree that it needs to increase to meet expectations but I also hoped the current policing will go under scrutiny to best spend money given by the public to support public. We Live in an ever increasing world of violence against one another. Please think about how best you can spend this money to meet the needs of the public today. Being honest with local government when you cannot focus on things.	East Suffolk
YES	Do we want an acceptable service? If so, there's no option but to pay for it.	East Suffolk
YES	It is a small percentage and the priority it to have enough police to keep the community safe.	West Suffolk
YES	I understand the issue and support it but I still would like to see more visible patrolling in Town centres and communities. If possible, some of the funding should be spent on this. It is valued by the public and myself..	East Suffolk
YES	If it provides the policing needed then I am happy to pay extra	East Suffolk
YES	I'm not convinced that police visibility on the streets is that good but it won't get any better with rising costs etc. [What is the manpower/recruiting situation in Suffolk?] So a reluctant yes.	East Suffolk



YES	You can't keep providing the same level of service without an increase because costs have gone up all round. I don't want to see levels of policing services decline, so am prepared to pay a reasonable increase.	West Suffolk
YES	It is needed and the figure at 4.9% increase for D is similar to that being requested by the Parish Council.	West Suffolk
YES	Need to make up for the government shortfall. However I think the increase should apply the same to everyone. Why can't it be a flat increase instead of higher bands paying more for the same level of service?	East Suffolk
YES	My continued support of the Suffolk Constabulary.	East Suffolk
YES	More bobbies on the beat walking and visible reduces crime.	East Suffolk
YES	I want to see a visible police presence in certain areas of the town centre.	Ipswich
YES	I understand the cost and resource pressures.	East Suffolk
YES	I'm lower than D and happy to pay more than 25p a week if it improves the service	West Suffolk
YES	this proposed sum of 25p per week is a very small element of most people's income, even pensioners, so feel is affordable and justified.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree with all the reasons you have explained.	East Suffolk
YES	As a resident of Framlingham, we are very lucky to have such a crime free and anti social behaviour free town, we feel very lucky to be living here. But also no policing comes free and i would like to see even more police presence with a local Bobby who we can see and talk to. Policing Suffolk is to us as important as the NHS, without the policing we have keeping us safe i am sure the NHS would be under even more pressure. I would be more than happy to pay 50p a week. double what you are proposing to see more Local Bobbies.	East Suffolk

YES	I am sure you need resources , but in return it would be good to see some kind of police presence at some point in Southwold . Over the years , this has decreased to pretty much zero, and the public deserve better	East Suffolk
YES	It's important to maintain a good standard of policing in Suffolk. However, it would be nice to see more police on the streets and not just standing on corners near Portman Road when there's a meaningless football match on or sitting in their cars on their mobile phones while motorists with defective lights etc drive past. Policing needs to go back to how it was and how other countries police. Not this softly softly approach that has got the country in the state it's in	East Suffolk
YES	Policing has been underfunded fir years	Ipswich
YES	It seems there is little choice to maintain the already stretched police service we have.	Babergh
YES	Our Police force needs the necessary funds to keep up to date	East Suffolk
YES	continuing wth 7F procurement programme is a waste of money, it has delivered next to nothing and a folly to think this will save Suffolk anything, wages for staff is astronomical based on pre 7F and the PCC is naive or on a fools errand to continue. Allow BLC to pick up strategic procurement and revert back to local Procurementand manage costs directly	Mid Suffolk
YES	The police do nothing for the general public, put police on the street especially in built up Roma areas to ensure safety. Less paperwork and no more excuses about not being able to arrest non ipswich people. There has been more stabbings, knife carrying and robberies yet less action taken. PASSMORE RESIGN.	Ipswich
YES	This is our lives, our safety. If people don't think that this is worth 25p a week then they don't deserve police help. The police are clearly already struggling as the crime in Ipswich goes up, we can't afford for the funding to decrease. I'm actually appalled that this is the maximum aloud to increase. I would rather more of my tax money goes to the police than other areas it's wasted on.	Ipswich
YES	We need a properly funded Police force but yet again the burden to provide this and other local services falls unfairly on the local taxpayer. So much for the Conservative lead government claiming to lower taxes.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I do hope that other areas of the budget are looked at as to ensure efficient spending of tax payers money	Mid Suffolk
YES	The police are facing increasing demand and so we need to support them to be able to do their job properly.	Ipswich

YES	We need a Police service that can keep up with tackling volume crime and also invest in technology to fight criminality as offenders are finding more innovative ways to evade capture and cause harm to the community.	Ipswich
YES	I think this is a reasonable increase to continue to provide the services we do and that the increase is such a negligible amount the increase wont be noticed.	Babergh
YES	IMHO this max precept is not only needed to help maintain the police server but the least we can do and I would support double this if allowed	East Suffolk
YES	We need an efficient police force that is properly'manned'.	Ipswich
YES	Suffolk Police are extremely underfunded - vehicles are in poor state, unable to keep fleet running, staffing at a very poor level and needs a lot of money to bring the constabulary back to what it should be doing. Without the extra funding from the members of the public of Suffolk - the Constabulary simply will not be able to afford the things it needs most - Staff and equipment to be efficient. One of the big things which is clear is that Suffolk needs a huge overhaul of both police vehicles and policing kit such as ANPR and officer equipment	East Suffolk
YES	Public safety must be a #1 priority. Economic performance is reliant on citizens' belief that they can go about their errands, & conduct their business on-line and in the physical space without concerns.	West Suffolk
YES	Police have been chronically underfunded for decades.	Babergh
YES	Policing is already vastly underfunded thanks to successive governments cutting budgets (in real terms). Whilst this is not what I would like to see , i can see no alternative. I rarely see any Police in my Village and on the last 3 occassions ive reported crimes ive only recieved one visit. I don't blame our hard working overstretched officers. I blame our Government.	Babergh
YES	If given a good standard of service	East Suffolk

YES	Am very happy with the way previous increments have been spent and I think we see the benefit in our Force. The increased spend has been well communicated to the public via press/social media in the past, so hopefully the same will happen this year.	Ipswich
YES	Living in Southwold we have hardly any Police presence and no Police Station . I have said yes in the hope we get more appearances of Police on foot especially in the summer evenings. It is sad when you have to reply on the telephone and not really sure if they will even Come to the Town.	East Suffolk
YES	A small increase across the board to allow for better policing has to be supported. If returned into the areas of policing which can be visibly shown to the wider public the response will be greater. If the general public can see where their money is being spent the support overall will be greater.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Policing is important for the public , and supports a safer community, this standard needs to be kept on balance and not be allowed to drop	East Suffolk
YES	We must preserve our police service at all costs. Crime is increasing, so should the police force.	Mid Suffolk
YES	The money needs to come from somewhere and has the HO and general government are useless in supporting funding, the PCC has acted to ensure essential Police services are suitably funded and can continue.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Whilst I recognise the need for funding, I would like to see a reflection in the police force's effectiveness.	Babergh
YES	The gap in precept funding between Suffolk and other forces is significant, one factor being the fact that Suffolk opted to freeze the council tax in 2011/12, 2013/14 and 2014/15 (these fixed grants do not form part of the calculation of subsequent increases in council tax). In order for that gap not to widen further and to secure maximum funding for future years, the PCC needs to increase the council tax by the maximum amount as proposed. It is not possible for forces to reduce officer numbers and government grants are not increasing sufficiently to cover the full cost of officer pay awards and pension contributions (the latter being a significant pressure). If council tax is not increased by the maximum amount, this will lead to larger savings requirements and will impact on staff posts in the short to medium term given officer numbers cannot be reduced and a large proportion of non pay costs are non-discretionary.	East Suffolk

YES	I know how hard the Constabulary works to keep the people of Suffolk safe, and how they are restricted at times, by government funding. Whilst the cost of living and resources goes up, I appreciate the funding might not increase to match, therefore I would be happy to pay extra in my council tax if it meant my safety would not be compromised.	East Suffolk
YES	It needs to be more than 4.9%	Mid Suffolk
YES	It is vitally important that current services are maintained and properly funded. Having been a victim of crime this year, I can truly say the police officers I dealt with were brilliant, plus the services offered & the backup.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I consider the effective Policing of Suffolk an absolute essential public service and if it means paying a bit more for that then it's money well spent.	East Suffolk
YES	Over the last several years I have seen the provision of service in the local safer neighbourhood team diminish with reduced staff and I don't think the staff who are supposed to on the SNT actually are..indeed until recently the website stated three sergeants.( really.)? I don't see this service improving any, but an inflationary increase is probably necessary to prevent further deterioration Secondly, I notice that you state ' efficiencies' have been made. Is this restricted to financial efficiencies? The reason I ask is that i can only recall one time that I have ever seen a police officer of a PCSO working alone anywhere in Suffolk. I am sure this happens but I think perhaps dual working is or has become the norm. Although of course there are times and places when dual working is correct I don't think it is that efficient and is something that perhaps needs to be addressed. This can be classed as an efficiency saving	

YES	It is vital that Suffolk Police are given sufficient funding to carry out their work in protecting the public. As personal examples, as a survivor of domestic violence and coercive control, and also of a serious road accident, I know that the response of the police was vital to my survival and recovery, on each occasion the kindness, concern, compassion and actions shown by police officers was simply unforgettable. I have three adult children, who all have partners, and a grandson aged six years and a granddaughter of six weeks (who lives here in Suffolk). My late lovely partner's son is a Suffolk Police officer, and my partner was immensely proud of him. There have, unfortunately, always been unsuitable people in the police force as well as in countless other occupations, and the reputation of the police has in recent years been severely damaged by revelations about their actions and behaviour. If the police force is not adequately funded, their response to requests for their assistance is, of course, the first area to suffer, which is demoralising for the officers and staff, and disappointing and sometimes dangerous for the public. I live on a very limited income but can see that this increase in the local contribution is absolutely necessary.	East Suffolk
YES	Until there is a fair settlement by central government an increase in rates is the answer. A reduction in service is a last resort.	Babergh
YES	When I last met the Police and Crime Commissioner he said he would do more to balance resources across Rural Communities This was based on historically when urban crime appeared to consume the bulk of the focus, despite a rise in crime rates in Rural areas. I'm increasingly hearing of unsolved crimes in Suffolk despite victims having their own evidence which is seemingly passed over by the force.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need more police officers and we need to pay them correctly to entice more people to join. We very much need more police walking our streets in these ever growing towns like Bury St Edmunds. The problems in communities are the same all over this country and we too need to deal with drugs, poverty and antisocial behaviour just as much as the large cities.	West Suffolk
YES	Protect and serve the local community.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I do agree however, this increase should not be used to increase the policing in our Town's and main traffic routes only. There must be a clear recognition that villages are not getting protection from speeding vehicles. A more regular / sustainable visible presence is required to show drivers they can be caught and prosecuted for breaking the law.	East Suffolk
YES	Ipswich needs more effective police with no bias to ethnic groups	Babergh
YES	There is not any other option	Babergh

YES	I see no alternative but as a conservative PCC I would ask you to impress on a conservative central government that this is unsustainable.	East Suffolk
YES	If the extra raised is spent wisely on police officers and not on office consumables.	East Suffolk
YES	Only because there seems to be no alternative to raise sufficient money.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree with the proposal and I am happy to pay it... we need more police officers with a visible presence in Ipswich Town centre in particular. The people of Ipswich don't feel safe in the town centre especially at night. I worked in Westgate Street for many years and there always used to be police officers stationed around the Cornhill and patrolling. This was very reassuring to the public.	Ipswich
YES	Small price to pay for maintaining an efficient service	West Suffolk
YES	I reluctantly agree to this increase in order to maintain police services. However, more needs to be done to increase the funding for Suffolk Police from the Home Office.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I do agree with the increase on the understanding that it will also have an impact on rural policing and not all go on the urban areas. Living in a small Suffolk village, it is rare to see the police and even when crimes are reported there seems to be very little done about it. Or Village hall and Church have been vandalised and a single police visit was all this seemed to warrant.	West Suffolk
YES	Have no problem with the increase, but would like to see a better presence, and better response. This relates especially to motoring, e.g. noisy exhausts, fog light usage ect.	Babergh
YES	We need more police presence to deter low level crime and solve what does get committed	Mid Suffolk
YES	It is difficult to say Yes or No. The Highest percentage of my council tax goes to the Police than any other service, year on year it has increased and to be honest very little to show for it in rural villages. We have problems with rat run speeding in our village, heating oil burglaries and anti social behaviour such as vandalism to village halls and churches. My question is value for money? Year on year, where has this money been invested in? We have barely no Police presence here on the roads, community officers aren't patrolling regularly keeping pace with daily events in our villages. How can you say you have not received adequate funding when the Council tax has for the past few years given the police the biggest slice of the pie and your telling us it's not enough every year. So I question how are the Police force managing their finances. Many folk in our area say on social media when a small crime has occurred that they don't bother reporting to police because the police won't bother turning up. That's not a reputation to be proud of, it needs improvement and police	West Suffolk

	engagement. So for me and others to be paying more in Council tax towards the police every year and still not see improvements. We've had to install security cameras on our premises because of anti social behaviour. So for police services required one has to say Yes, BUT it is already at a point where Suffolk Police need to start showing value for money, have a presence amongst rural areas not just in towns and cities.	
YES	I would be happy to pay more in my council tax for increasing the police forces ability to respond to the needs of the county. So long as these funds are used to keep the front line Officers & Staff on the ground and available to the county that they are there to support.	Ipswich
YES	To keep our neighbourhood as safe as possible.	East Suffolk
YES	I believe this is necessary and if spent in the right areas such as new police vehicles or more recruitment for under staffed roles then the public will see there tax money being spent wisely for a change.	East Suffolk
YES	The public in Suffolk need Police intervention to protect the law abiding residents. The need to arrest and prosecute persistent offenders, hopefully adding education and learning not to re-offend, is very important to achieve a settled and civil society. The majority of civil people are totally fed up with the following: * Burglary * Theft from vehicles, theft of vehicles and theft of business or domestic equipment of high value. * Attacks and bodily harm...involving physical assault, especially knife crime. * Open illegal drug dealing going on in the streets. Especially young people being influenced. * Fly tipping and littering. Persistent damage to the environment. * Gangs hanging around menacingly day and night. Often young men from many different countries not integrating and appearing threatening to residents. * Anti Social behaviour in the streets, often arising from people with alcohol addictions, drug influence or extreme, unsupported mental health conditions. * Domestic violence and child abuse.	Mid Suffolk
YES	The Police response for crimes is poor and any uplift in that would be a plus. However if that is going to go further into bashing the motorist with fines I do not support it at all as it is just a cash cow for the Police. Concentrate on what matters to the public real crime is a problem, concentrate on that	Mid Suffolk
YES	The Police force is under immense strain and I believe it is vital they receive the necessary funding to ensure they can continue to deliver the service expected from Suffolk residents.	Babergh



YES	The answer has to be YES. As a council taxpayer and Suffolk resident the horrendously high cost of living is not lost on me or my family. Our utility bills are now higher than our mortgage and that's due to go up in April! That said, Policing is essential to us all and I would support the planned increase for the policing element of the council tax. I suspect however with many people having to use food banks, including Police Officers and people forced to choose between eating and heating their homes not all the public of Suffolk will agree.	Babergh
YES	Suffolk Constabulary is a low funded police area and I recognise that this is needed to maintain current services	East Suffolk
YES	There are many parts of the Police Service that require extra funding. This will go some way to easing that situation. Hopefully something can be put into IT so that our computers work at a reasonable speed, and not a steady crawl, which is becoming the norm	East Suffolk
YES	In order to maintain and hopefully improve the service provided it appears that this is the only available option if more funds are not received by Government. However, Policing will not be the only Service asking for a raise in contributions and it should be mindful of the strain already placed on households within the community. Whilst the following statement is not levelled at Policing, Government and Councils need to hold greater accountability of the monies received from council tax and the way in which it is spent. Currently what the community sees is yearly rises for less return in services and up keep of the areas they live within.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I'm happy to pay for all hard work the police do to keep us safe.	East Suffolk
YES	It should be more. You are cutting too many jobs in the service.	Ipswich
YES	The policing precept should rise in line with demands on policing and to allow police the necessary means to recruit and maintain sufficient officers, as well as finance specialist teams and technologies to allow the effective investigation of crime.	East Suffolk
YES	Because it necessary due to the Tory Government's destruction of the police service (and all public services) through their vicious funding cuts!	West Suffolk

YES	My household is more than happy to agree with your proposal. Being an employee of the Constabulary and working in the joint space of both Suffolk and Norfolk, I am fully aware of the daily pressures to keep within the budgetary restraints. When private companies are permitted to raise prices by inflation plus 3.9%, it seems ludicrous that public services are not permitted to do the same.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Happy if that will enable Suffolk Police to maintain and improve services to the public	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree - providing the increase is used for front line policing so there are more officers on duty and more visibility to the public. I live in an area where a uniform presence is never seen.	East Suffolk
YES	Being a Police Constable, i would always support an increase. Albeit a small force, there are cracks forming in operational ability. For instance, but not limited to, vehicle reliability. Most notably Landmark House.The fleet is ageing significantly and the reliability is nothing short of alarming. On most normal day shifts, there is almost never enough vehicles in operational and safe working order to maintain an suitable capability.	Ipswich
YES	Very happy what has been done with the money from the previous precept increase, the introduction of the kestrel teams has been a great addition to community policing and seeing bobbys on the beat is brilliant	East Suffolk
YES	As a serving police officer, I witness firsthand the impact of lack of funding on the police force. We lack resources, we are losing staff, especially experienced officers, and the wage is completely unsustainable for new in service officers given the massive inflation increase. I, along with many officers, discuss the need to get a part time job to actually afford to live, or leaving the force for more a better paid job with half the risk and responsibility we carry every time we come to work. I, again with so many others, are unable to even buy a house due to the low wages. I love my job but I really don't see how I can survive long term on this wage, and I feel unless there is more funding for our police force for resources, officers, and staff, members of the public will inevitably suffer because we won't be able to provide the service they deserve.	East Suffolk
YES	This is essential to deliver an effective police service	East Suffolk
YES	With the significant increase in the interest rates it is a practical solution to prevent us having a reduction in funding.	West Suffolk

YES	To keep us all safe 25p a week is good value, everything has gone up a lot more.	East Suffolk
YES	It is a pity that Government shifts the burden to you to finance the Police, and that you have to come to us to plead your case for an increase. I want to see Parliament set up a list of Essential services that are maintained for the benefit of society, that are funded properly year on year and cannot be changed at the whim of any Government at any time - the Police would be one of those.	East Suffolk
YES	This precept amount seems reasonable given the level of criminality and anti social behaviour in Suffolk to ensure the resources of the Police are appropriate to address the issues.	West Suffolk
YES	Police require increased funding in order to provide a sufficient service.	Ipswich
YES	Yes I agree but would like to see more police presence in my village of Withersfield as we hardly ever see a policeman	West Suffolk
YES	I am police staff and i understand the pressures the force is under	East Suffolk
YES	It's a sad reality this is happening as the police funding formula should be reviewed and adequate funding should be provided to policing nationally. At a local level I support this to ensure we can keep the service we have and not have to make additional cuts to service.	East Suffolk
YES	It is important the policing service is able to meet the needs of the service. If this means an increase as proposed then I support this.	East Suffolk
YES	I will always pay more for Policing as long as the money is well spent on additional police walking the beat or more importantly in rural areas have police constantly in our areas and not just using the lanes as a quick route through to the A140 or beyond. Most people who live rural lives have to try and protect themselves against robbery and anti social behaviour of others.	Mid Suffolk

YES	If the money is actually given to the police to spend in a constructive manner and is used in a way that will benefit the community then this is a very good idea, if it is spent as before to recruit officers , Firstly we have not seen the uplift on the street that was previously promised and the standard of officers recruited at this current time is unacceptable , The tutor standard is also unacceptable as they are only just out of their 2 year probationary period and far too inexperienced to be doing this role , Most Sgt's or leaders are very similar and also do not know what they are doing.	East Suffolk
YES	Whilst nobody likes the idea of an increase to their Council Tax bill, in order to keep up with the ever increasing demands placed on the Police service I agree to the proposed increase.	Ipswich
YES	I absolutely agree with the precept rise. As an organisation we cannot fall behind in terms of technology, recruitment or our ability to deploy officers safely on a daily basis. This in my opinion would be failing front line police officers and the public we serve.	East Suffolk
YES	The annual increase seems no more that a visit or two to a chain coffee cafe so its fairly minimal in the grand scheme of things. However there is little transparency about how this additional money is being spent by the PCC? the view of the general public and police officers alike is that it is not having a visible effect on front line policing	Babergh
YES	This is a great proposal and I would be completely happy paying extra council tax to fund this.	Ipswich
YES	This increase will allow Suffolk Police to continue to maintain the service currently provided. They have historically been a very low funded Force and receive considerably less funding than other Forces, for example Norfolk Constabulary. They have already made significant savings and cuts (many before other Forces) and without this increase, any other savings could impact frontline operations.	West Suffolk
YES	For a small increase a week, the total invested in our police force may help for us that live in rural areas get a response to crime when it happens quicker than we have done in the past.	East Suffolk
YES	Policing costs have increased as a result of inflation and therefore precept increase is needed to assist in maintaining policing service. Not increasing the precept could result in unplanned reductions in services during the 2024/25 financial year. Also if inflation continues to fall during 2024/25 a moderate increase in percept now should avoid the need to increase the percept by a significant amount in 2025/26.	

YES	Without proper central funding this is needed.	East Suffolk
YES	I reluctantly agree to the increase. But don't expect to see any improvement. As all things in the public sector seem in a downward spiral despite increased spending.	East Suffolk
YES	I understand and accept the justification for doing so	East Suffolk
YES	Increased officer numbers comes with additional cost	East Suffolk
YES	The Constabulary is one of the most underfunded forces in the country and each year sees a wave of reductions in staff and therefore service which affect morale and the quality of service. This increase would ease the pressure on Constabulary finances.	Babergh
YES	Yes, Policing is a vital service to the community. There is no other way to bridge the gap of the increased costs of keeping our heads above water. The increase is pennies and it will not be noticed.	Mid Suffolk
YES	25 p a week is not an unreasonable increase in the current climate.	West Suffolk
YES	To provide consistency of service.	East Suffolk
YES	Keep people of Suffolk safe with as many policing resources as possible	East Suffolk
YES	More cuts to the service would be disastrous. There are departments that are already down to bare minimum of staff.	East Suffolk
YES	Please invest in frontline policing. Our fleet is very old and in poor order. Invest in technology that is fit for purpose to assist officers. Look to increase frontline officer numbers.	East Suffolk
YES	Essential to us all in so many ways.	East Suffolk
YES	you need this money. you have my full support.	Ipswich

YES	Do not want a reduction in policing	Mid Suffolk
YES	As long as funding is used sensibly and competently	Mid Suffolk
YES	Hopefully this will help to see more police officers on the street & in our villages	Mid Suffolk
YES	You already appear limited in providing a decent service today. If these funds will actual help improve your performance then we are in favour of the increase. But please provide the improvement that is so desperately required.	East Suffolk
YES	The police must be funded for them to provide a quality service.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree if it means that services can be maintained, particularly within the rural communities.	West Suffolk
YES	These are real costs and we have to have a police force fit for purpose.	West Suffolk
YES	Let's hope we can actually see a police officer occasionally	Babergh
YES	I would not want to risk a lower level of policing.	West Suffolk
YES	The existing service is below what we can reasonably expect, so any further decline is unacceptable. We should expect a response to all reported crimes especially burglaries and anti social behaviour and not merely a crime number. This is an abdication of your responsibility and merely increases insurance premiums. It is not OK to only investigate those crimes that are easy to solve, that is not true policing but clearly helps to massage the statistics. What exactly will the extra money be used for?	East Suffolk
YES	My wife and I are concerned that the closer connections we have had with our local police services have dropped as a result of costs and lack of police officers. For that reason, we have decided to increase our council tax payment to assist the maintenance of these important services. We are both retirees and, with the cost-of-living prices continuing to increase, we are hoping our financial situation will stop declining. However, we want our local community to be protected and have decided to help with this problem.	East Suffolk

YES	OPCC and local MPs have failed to get a fairer share of Home Office funding for all public sector services so therefore I am left to pay if I want to retain a service. PCC and MPs need to be doing more and not going on reality tv shows. OPCC also needs to reduce its own budget on his staff and office expenditure. This is not police of social services or healths fault.	East Suffolk
YES	It is time that you looked at the vehicle fleet- it is ageing and looking scruffy. Also you need to look at the fleet fuel costs - I see too many vehicles fuelling at "Retail" pumps - you used to have "in house" fuel sites, I know this because I was responsible for them for 27 years !	East Suffolk
YES	It is vital that Suffolk is able to at least maintain its policing levels and for Suffolk Police to have the resources it needs to achieve this	East Suffolk
YES	I want the local police force to have sufficient funds to be able to do an effective job in our area	East Suffolk
YES	Yes, but I would like to be sure the increase is not swallowed up by admin but, rather, is put to careful use so I can see the benefit to local communities.	East Suffolk
YES	Cost pressures on policing (inflation etc.) are outstripping central funding so precept rise is needed to just keep the business as usual of policing at the same level as now. Police undertake duties that no other partner can, so funding and correct funding for policing is very important even when we have a cost of living crisis and other financial pressures on various public services.	Babergh
YES	I do agree with your proposal as I feel ALL Constabularies in the country are under-funded, however I am very disappointed with the service in and around the Beccles area and I feel this area has been very much under-funded and neglected in recent years.	East Suffolk
YES	but note - there are no police in our country villages and rarely are they seen in our towns. Will this change???	East Suffolk
YES	More and more houses are being built around Ipswich an md Suffolk so more and more people are coming into the area. The police presence is not very high at the moment so anything to increase police around is only a positive.	East Suffolk
YES	This seems proportionate in light of the benefits, I support this	Mid Suffolk

YES	The increase needs to be the maximum it can be due to the unfair funding formula for the government grant for policing which suffolk receives	East Suffolk
YES	I would be very happy to pay more in council tax to get a better funded local police force	East Suffolk
YES	Due to rising costs across the board I feel this is a fare increase.	East Suffolk
YES	Feel there is little choice. I note that the general council tax is also set to increase by the maximum permissible again due to insufficient funding from central government presumably so they can claim that they are not raising taxes. I would urge those in authority to press the Government to raise the required income in a more transparent and progressive manner as these local government increases have a disproportionate impact upon those with a fixed income and not benefitting from the current round of pay rises.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need more visibility across the streets and villages and solving more crime across the board, not just the higher ranking crimes undertaken. eg robberies etc. People need to feel safer in their communities and homes.	East Suffolk
YES	I accept the need for an increase, however, we need more visible policing on the streets rather than just in cars. There is an increase in antisocial behaviours together with inappropriate speeding by motorists of all age groups in residential areas that I would like to see addressed.	East Suffolk
YES	For what is a modest increase in my yearly payments I am happy to give this for an improvement in service.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I believe that the increase proposed is reasonable in the circumstances and balances the pressures on so many with the need to try and ensure an adequate police system	East Suffolk
YES	We need to ensure that Suffolk people are safe My support is on the assumption that the funding is spent on front line Police services and does not pay for expensive consultants.	East Suffolk
YES	As long there's an improvement in the way police respond and investigate crime. So often increases get swallowed up in the system without improvement. Improvement need to be measured, if no improvement within the year chief constable and police & crime commissioner need to be answerable.	East Suffolk



YES	Would personally be willing to double that	Ipswich
YES	Policing is an essential service - we all benefit. To maintain services, and allow the Suffolk Constabulary to recruit new and retain experienced officers will be an expensive undertaking. The precept must increase.	East Suffolk
YES	The majority of the budget is spent on police staff/officer salaries. It is important for the Constabulary to maintain, or in some areas, increase the staffing levels in order to give the public a high standard of service. Therefore for the small weekly increase I agree to the 4.9% rise.	Babergh
YES	I believe that the police are under-funded. We need many more police visible in towns and on roads.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Unfortunately , necessary to have any hope of maintaining let alone improving service.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need more police. I'm happy if you are spending the increase on recruiting more police officers.	West Suffolk
YES	anything to keep the souped up Kessingland boy racers under control!!	East Suffolk
YES	4.9% is a very reasonable, today-, increase. Please note that Oulton Broad is BIG ! When created in 2017 we were asked whether we wished to remain a Parish or become a new Town; we decided that the public upheaval of a new PostCode from NR32/NR33 would be unwelcome to parishioners. In terms of annual Precept, Oulton Broad is larger than e.g. Beccles or Bungay or indeed Southwold ! Please bear this in mind when allocating resources (especially in reference to the unfortunate omission -now remedied- of Oulton Broad within the wider thinking); also to note that by encircling the public-accessible Broad, this parish is in a special circumstance and indeed entertains an afloat-training centre for Suffolk Fire-&-Emergency teams.	East Suffolk
YES	Much needed for peace of mind	East Suffolk
YES	To maintain services at existing levels or better. We live in a rural area and I would not wish to see services fall	Mid Suffolk

YES	I completely agree. Public service employees, and especially those in the health and emergency services, merit due reward for the job they do and investment in all the infrastructure that allows them to do their work as comfortably and effectively as possible. As a very disgruntled long-serviced NHS employee, it is clear that the legacy - in terms of the stresses, strains and sacrifices made - from all that we did to help this country through the COVID 19 pandemic has gone unrecognised. We seem to be treated with less respect and recognition than ever. Staff are leaving the professions due to this lack of support and from a general sense of being undervalued, underpaid, under-resourced; in short, taken entirely for granted. It is insulting. Anything which allows the policing service to feel more valued and appreciated gets a big "yes" from me. It is a shame that the government does not see fit to raise pay scales, and that this funding has to come directly from local taxation.	Babergh
YES	Support policing	East Suffolk
YES	Only if they spend less time sitting in Cars and more time out and about engaging with people.	East Suffolk
YES	Living in Ipswich I would welcome an increase in police presence within the town /waterfront and engagement with communities. we are struggling with a negative perception of safety, increased engagement would go a long way to help redress this	Ipswich
YES	Clearly policing needs to be fully supported by the community so the small amount proposed is well worth the outlay.	Babergh
YES	I want you to catch and prosecute shoplifters and burglars and to stop spending time on non-crime issues.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Policing is very important and very stretched. Every village in Suffolk is suffering from lawless behaviour from robberies to the ever increasing speeding on our roads and reckless driving. We need more visible police.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I want fair and visible policing of this district	East Suffolk
YES	Because there is no rural police presence at the moment no deterrent to rural crime so if we pay more perhaps we might fund a rural police presence?	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need more police officers to ensure they have a visible presence as a deterrent. Society seems much less respectful of law and order nowadays, so increasing the policing element should help deter antisocial behaviour.	West Suffolk

YES	We need more police on the ground	East Suffolk
YES	We need to support our Police officers not only to ensure they have all the equipment needed to carry out their duties but to also ensure we have the correct number officers and support staff.	East Suffolk
YES	I think the increase is reasonable. Everything else has increased so it is inevitable.	Babergh
YES	Policing budgets have been cut year after year, the need for a strong and resilient police force has never been more obvious. We cannot afford not to spend more on our blue line, as they tackle increasing drug gangs, rape, assaults, knife crime, shop lifting and many other areas of lawlessness.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I agree	East Suffolk
YES	I am curious exactly how the costs have gone up. And also that if the policing element has had to increase, what about the other areas, and where does it become unworkable to keep raising the costs for householders, when maybe the wage isn't rising accordingly.	East Suffolk
YES	Yes, especially as we live in a rural area. In addition that the money is going to help provide proficient police support and numbers of police officers to provide a competent and reliable service.	Babergh
YES	The Police need more money to be able to do the job! They have been underfunded for twenty years as well as all public services The current government have cut budgets and pretended they have not We need our services to be properly funded and this means increasing taxes. Alas government don't have the courage to do as they try to hang onto power!	Mid Suffolk
YES	We desperately need to keep our Police Force. It would be nice if burglaries were higher on the agenda too.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Agree as long as we got more bobbies on the beat	Babergh
YES	If it means being able to get a more visible police presence in the town.	West Suffolk
YES	We need more police men/women in this county to be effective	Mid Suffolk

YES	This is little extra to pay to protect, prevent, and ultimately bring to justice the growing minor and major offences committed in and around Suffolk.	Babergh
YES	We need to maintain a functioning police service	East Suffolk
YES	BUT only in principle. We are rural and rarely see police in our village . We are very lucky to have low levels of crime but when there is a need for a visit , then often no one is available to attend , or no action is taken. I feel the police have already dropped their standards below what they should be . I am not sure that a little bit more funding will make things any better. If more funding is given , how will it be assessed whether an improvement has been achieved ? And therefore value for money.	West Suffolk
YES	For the purpose of front line staff and equipment.	West Suffolk
YES	Well worth it.	Babergh
YES	I think our local constabulary needs as much funding as is available.	East Suffolk
YES	But, there needs to be a significant increase in police visibility both on foot and on the county's roads.	West Suffolk
YES	The police do do a good job, but we need more officers on the beat. If an extra 25p a week helps, then count me in.	East Suffolk
YES	Improvements in performance: Following two recent incidents within the Parish, which were regrettably poorly handled by Suffolk Constabulary and the fact that when attending the Police Community Forum I am frequently advised that responses expected cannot be achieved due to the lack of resources, my support for this increase is predicated on improvements being achieved. 101: This service is universally accepted as not working and corrective action should be taken as it is the main point of contact for many of the more senior members of the community. I understand under the new Policing model more interfaces, e.g. social media, and being utilized but I am disappointed when member of the public and the police openly state it is a pointless exercise to call 101.	Babergh
YES	The police in this area do a good job Up against arrogance and aggression, they need all the dupport that can be given.	Babergh

YES	Provided that we can be assured that all " admin" tasks are kept to only essential minimum leaving the maximum possible funds available for policing on the ground.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Hope to see more police officers carrying speed camera checks in West Row along Ferry Lane.	West Suffolk
YES	I want to live in a safe, protected community. I would especially like to see the police in Sudbury, engaging with the community.	Babergh
YES	Good policing needs funding to employ good quality staff and officers to meet the public need for responses to crime in our area.	Mid Suffolk
YES	A properly funded police service is essential!	East Suffolk
YES	But with reservations. Two local Police offices have closed in my rural area. This makes us elderly folks feel vulnerable. We used to have a patrol come through the village, no more. Rural areas are suffering and have been for some time. We have teenagers too, we have accidents too, we have items and vehicles stolen too. What are you going to do for us?	East Suffolk
YES	Provided the service is not reduced, it seems reasonable.	East Suffolk
YES	But with that we need better security. Less drug/weed abuse in towncenter and residential areas. We are scared to visit towncenter after 7pm as we can see people smoking drugs and weed We have seen people stealing from shops and they don't care about law	Ipswich
YES	We need more bobbies, or PCSOS a visible presence on the street to combat petty crime in the town centre and anti social behaviour. Both these crimes cause significant distress to local residents	West Suffolk
YES	Necessary.	Babergh

YES	We have previously agreed increases in the Police precept in anticipation of an improved visibility and ease of communication, within our local area. This has not been forthcoming. We live in a rural location and very rarely see a police presence. I know these are difficult times but the Police force needs to be available when needed and show itself in the local community.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Hopefully this will mean more visible policing in the town centres.	West Suffolk
YES	Policing is important.	East Suffolk
YES	Provided it is made clear and we see what the money is being used for.	East Suffolk
YES	Not enough	East Suffolk
YES	The increase should be the same amount for all band properties.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I'll start by saying that is wholly regrettable that central government have so savagely pruned police budgets in real terms over the last more-tha-a-decade, but it is quite acceptable for the precept to increase in a modest way (when compared to recent inflation). Can I also add that I disagree with the opening statement in this survey, that the police serve Suffolk well. Cuts to budgets have left Suffolk woefully underserved by the police, and I myself have been a victim of crime where the police response was comically inadequate. Drink driving is now commonplace, and driving offences, especially in rural areas, go unnoticed by the force. Anything that helps restore Suffolk's policing to the standards of the early part of this century gets my full support.	East Suffolk
YES	Local government, generally, has been, and continues to be, so starved of funding by central government that this is one way to counteract the undermining of local democracy.	Mid Suffolk
YES	If you want improved services of any kind, you have to pay for them. Am happy to pay the extra 25p per week but the Police and Crime Commissioner must ensure the extra money raised really is used to improve the policing service.	East Suffolk
YES	More police needed for County Lines drug activity	West Suffolk
YES	... but I want greater transparency & accountability, especially for Superintendent ranks and above.	Mid Suffolk

YES	It is a very small amount compared to other increases at the current time	Babergh
YES	A low cost Force for many years meant under-investment. The increase is needed to keep pace and try to reverse past under-investment. This is a modest increase and has my support but I would like a clearer view of where it will be spent. The case presented in this survey is too vague. Is the priority police officer numbers or something else?	West Suffolk
YES	The existing level of service is appalling and continuation at this level of service demoralises both public and individual officers. We need to get the police back to a position of being able to provide a proper service better than before the decimation of the force that occurred ten years ago.	West Suffolk
YES	100%. I'd even pay more weekly. The amount of crime in and around the Suffolk area, especially Hadleigh is unbelievable. I rarely see any police presence in the town, and the youths freely smoke drugs in the parks. Also the amount of driving offences I see weekly is unacceptable and an innocent life waiting to be	Babergh
YES	We have to keep up with inflation I'd be more than happy to contribute to Policing. However I'd like to see more PCSOs in the community they were brilliant in their time, where have they all gone?	West Suffolk
YES	I am very happy to support your proposal. Good luck!	Babergh
YES	It is disgraceful that central government is leaving it to local homeowners to make up the budget difference due to inflation - in effect we are paying tax twice - I understand and respect the request and agree to pay	Babergh
YES	Suffolk Police need our support. As a county, less densely populated than many if we want their help, this seems like a small extra price to pay.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Maybe more is needed as I certainly never feel that the police are able to protect me and my family. The service has been run into the ground.	Mid Suffolk

YES	I agree to the increase but the money needs to be well spent, not wasted on drivers doing minor speeding offences but focusing on actual crime and putting police on the streets. In Ipswich Suffolk Police have become a joke, unless you're doing 34 in a 30mph limit they're not interested. I've tried reporting crimes and you're really not interested, to the point now where myself and others just don't bother even trying. If you can't be bothered, why should we? Suffolk Police's stance over the last 5 years has totally changed my opinion on the force, I have no respect for them anymore.	East Suffolk
YES	We cannot allow less policing for the sake of 25p per week - being a very rural area it is paramount we have adequate cover of policing.	Mid Suffolk
YES	As long as that increase will fund the police itself and not the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk. That role should be scrapped to save money as Mr. Passmore provides no benefit to the people or the police. It a cushy, over-paid job set up by Tory cronies.	West Suffolk
YES	Our Police Force does not have enough resources to Police our area adequately. I have seen the service provided decrease year on year. I have absolutely no trust in any Police Officer following the reported incidents involving Police Officers raping, murdering, abusing female members of the public. I have witnessed Police Officers lying. An incident this year occurred where a traffic policeman was condescending and rude on the day I was driving to be with my Father who was dying in hospital. I was incredulous. Without proper funding our Police Force cannot be trained properly and in my opinion this increase is not enough to combat the problem our force faces.	East Suffolk
YES	Yes, but still lobby the Government for more money for Suffolk.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Subject to the condition that Suffolk Constabulary enforces the 30mph speed limit on all rural roads and does not rely on voluntary community speed watch measures to excuse it from fulfilling a statutory duty.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Fully agree with the proposal of an increase in council taxes. We need the support to continue policing if not more.	West Suffolk
YES	Of course we should agree to this. Policing has suffered cuts for years, and it is all very well cutting your coat according to your cloth, but in the end there is hardly enough coat!	East Suffolk



YES	Crime is on the rise, the population is increasing and there are not enough police on the beat. Happy to contribute to our own safety.	East Suffolk
YES	We need good policing and there should be adequate funds to allow this to happen	East Suffolk
YES	As long as there are guarantees that this money will be used directly for operational purposes and not political sideshows. In addition I would want to see some of the PCC's funds also redacted into operational policing rather than half baked schemes pandering to the voracious few.	Babergh
YES	I would welcome more police resources for a small increase to annual council tax	Babergh
YES	Seems more than fair	Mid Suffolk
YES	You get what you pay for and if you pay peanuts you get monkeys. Public servants are what they are- servants and as such we rely on them for so much. Pay and resources should always be good, not just satisfactory.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I would like to see more police on the ground.	East Suffolk
YES	Policing is important and is not working well at the moment. If more funding will improve it, okay.	East Suffolk
YES	At the moment I am not sure rural areas receive adequate policing. I know that this is an argument for actually increasing the precept, but what are rural residents paying for already? Policing in the bigger conurbations? That said, when I did have cause to call for police assistance, following the tragic death of a neighbour, the officers were there quickly, and stayed beyond their shift ending, looking after a dog and waiting for the RSPCA to arrive.	Mid Suffolk
YES	It is fully understood that Government funding cuts can impact on the capability to provide local services and as such I am happy to pay this Band rated proposed increase.	East Suffolk
YES	Unlike general taxation, any increase in the precept has an absolute link to a specific service which we all rely on. Given how costs have escalated in recent years, I believe the proposed 4.9% increase to be justifiable and wholly acceptable. A fair price to pay for a critical service.	East Suffolk

YES	I want the current levels of service at least maintained	East Suffolk
YES	If the government contribution does not match inflation then raising the precept is essential to stop reduction of services. It is important not to get behind which would impact on future needs.	East Suffolk
YES	Policing is essential to a safe County and feel there is little choice for you in the increase. Until the Government bring us inline with other Counties then you are always going to have to ask the tax payer to help.	Ipswich
YES	We need the funding to prevent rural crime and shop lifting.	Mid Suffolk
YES	BUT . . . There needs to be visible evidence that this money is being used directly to benefit the public. The website shows jolly police persons helping the public, but uniformed officers are rarely seen on the streets these days. Crime does pay in East Suffolk because criminals know that there are no police around to prevent them committing crimes. Police may (in some cases) solve crimes, but they should also be preventing them! Where is the reassuring 'bobby on the beat'? This may be (to you) an old-fashioned concept, but local police knew their manor, and the people, and much could be learnt from daily contact one with the other. Also, the officer on the beat (24/7) was never far away from a source of trouble if it occurred. Time for a change of attitude - stop sitting in front of screens in an office and get out there and meet the people and help them!	East Suffolk
YES	19p a week for B is an insignificant amount.	East Suffolk
YES	It is important to maintain sufficient funding for Policing matters and to improve for the future	West Suffolk
YES	It is important that we should maintain our policing in Suffolk at a level which enables us all to feel safe. I live in a A property so my personal increase will be 17p per week which I feel is very reasonable.	East Suffolk
YES	Happy to pay this increase but it would be nice to see more police activity around the Hengrave area and more effective speed control on the road network	West Suffolk

YES	It seems to go up each year a £1 a month or £3.4million overall. Surely this is enough to cover several extra police to do their job and stop crime and actively examine each case. Unless we get like the NHS and do it ourselves. Maybe look at some of the exorbitant salaries some of the top brass get. Reduce that and that would make a difference.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Yes in fact I would willingly pay more if it means we get better policing especially more foot patrols around our towns.	East Suffolk
YES	all for the increase.	West Suffolk
YES	The level of service must be maintained to keep our communities safe.	Babergh
YES	Yes but only if it means we get better rural policing.	West Suffolk
YES	I say yes purely in the hope that we who live in rural Suffolk may actually see a policeman when we need one in response to an incident.	East Suffolk
YES	More resources for the police are needed as it is under resourced and has more and more crime to deal with, particularly as more and more foreign nationals live in UK and many don't appear to follow UK law.	Ipswich
YES	If we want an effective police force for Suffolk we have no alternative but to pay for it. Unfortunately the police service across England and Wales has never recovered from what happened during austerity and there are continued consequences from that. Making further cuts will be to the detriment of the public and the police if enough money to fund the service is not found.	Ipswich
YES	Funding the police properly is a fundamental tenet of a civilised society. My view is that Law and Order has been allowed to deteriorate too far. I'm retired and living on a much reduced income, and don't feel that I can afford any greater expenditure (my state pension will surely not increase sufficiently to compensate). Nonetheless, improving policing in this country is critical to repairing the broken State.	Babergh

YES	If it means we have more police to actually tackle serious crime. I hate reading about People being burgled and the police don't even bother to turn up. Can we have more bobbies on the beat, either cycling or walking, so they get to know the locals and can rebuild the trust there used to be?	East Suffolk
YES	It still remains good value for money and am delighted you've reached out to get public opinion	Babergh
YES	As a ex resident off the Westgate ward area off Ipswich, that community needs all the policing it can get	Ipswich
YES	Happy to support the PCC Plan	East Suffolk
YES	Although many people are still in the midst of challenging economic times this increase would help to provide the safety and security we need as a society.	West Suffolk
YES	minimal increase for a better police service	Mid Suffolk
YES	BUT ... ONLY IF YOU SPEND ON PROPER COPPERS WHO HAVE POWERS TO DO SOMETHING NOT THE PCSO's WHO ARE NOT EFFECTIVE AT ALL. PART OF REASON TOWN CENTRE IS UNUSABLE BY SO MANY IPSWICH RESIDENTS IS THAT THE IMMIGRANT GROUPS KNOW THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR DUE TO LACK OF POLICE OFFICERS WHO HAVE JURISDICTION TO ENFORCE THE LAWS OF THE LAND.	Ipswich
YES	We need a well funded police force for Suffolk	Mid Suffolk
YES	The county needs an effective police Force. However I would want to see more frontline officers on the street in the long term for this additional funding.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Suffolk needs an efficient and effective Police service.	Mid Suffolk

YES	As someone who has used the police multiple times this year, I can see how under funded they are. Because of this I now feel unsafe in my own home. I have lost all faith in the system but this is because how stretched they are.	East Suffolk
YES	Police work is the most important element of our local taxes and enables us to remain safe in our communities. If the increase in funding enables increased crime detection and prevention then I am all in favour of the proposed increase.	Babergh
YES	Whilst I resent paying more I understand the requirements and challenges the service faces. I live in Woodbridge and have experienced issues with ASB, this rise is palatable so long as us residents see work to deal with these issues. However if we pay more and do not see any improvement 2025 will not be something many of us would agree to further rises. It is an election year, for 11 years you have held this seat. Justify it by kicking the service into gear!	East Suffolk
YES	...However we were promised more police from Central Government. How many extra full time, front line police officers have there been in the last financial year? How many in addition to these has the precept funded in that time?	Ipswich
YES	I feel the police try to do a good job and need resources to be effective	East Suffolk
YES	We need a proactive and effective police presence in Sudbury. My father had his car stolen visiting me and the response was untimely, lacked any initiative to solve the crime and I was very disappointed to say the least. The car gangs criminals know this and get away with stealing cars with no consequences.	Babergh
YES	I would like the police to be able to do their job to support local citizens. If that means recruiting more staff, I am very much in favour.	West Suffolk
YES	No doubt, assuming that you receive overwhelming support for the maximum as in previous years, you will use the result(s) as a morale booster for the Suffolk Police Force that the Suffolk public seriously values what the police do for us.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Obviously, with so many increases in costs, we need to ensure that the police have the personnel they require, the equipment they require, and the training they require. There will need to be a stop to increasing the precept, so I hope this increase will achieve what it intends to achieve.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need to support the police who support the most vulnerable in our communities.	Ipswich
YES	I feel there's a need to ensure a service that is robust needs to be funded. It is a small price to pay if this can help us to ensure we get a service that is able to deliver the required services.	Ipswich

YES	I would happily increase my council tax by that amount. PROVIDING, more officers are employed OR officers are visibly out on foot patrols. This would be especially important around new estates like Marham Park.	West Suffolk
YES	I totally agree with your proposal of the increase. As a current PSV with nearly ten years service I have seen the impact that has taken place where cutbacks and savings have had to be made in past, to maintain a solid operational presence. 25p a week is a small price to pay for us to have a police force that we know will be there when we need them, for whatever reason.	Ipswich
YES	I think it is very important to ensure our police force is adequately funded	Mid Suffolk
YES	I think that the small increase is justified.	West Suffolk
YES	If we want the service we have to be prepared to pay for it	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need to ensure that our policing is relevant to the needs of the people of Suffolk and that the public have confidence in our Police Service.	East Suffolk
YES	Prefer a well funded force	West Suffolk
YES	Provided the police do their job! That means tackling actual crime like drug and people trafficking, controlling speeding and investigating burglaries and other serious crime. This does not include pursuing activities like Pride etc. that frankly should just be mainstream such as providing an inclusive and professional environment and ensuring officers command the respect of the public.	West Suffolk
YES	Police too stretched currently.	Mid Suffolk
YES	If you tell me how it will be spent	Mid Suffolk
YES	It is important to have a well-funded police service.	Mid Suffolk

YES	I suspect you have got in first, and a similar flurry of surveys/request may well follow. Basically, if we want properly funded and run public services the money has to come from somewhere - and frankly whilst ever this Government administration hold the purse strings, I don't see much hope of a boost from central Gov. coffers. Money doesn't grow on trees. People are quick to moan about ... everything, but are not quite so quick at 'joining the financial dots'. Best of luck - Policing, and the emergency services, Social Work, Teaching, Probation Work, The Courts etc. - ALL essential services, along with many others which need paying for!	Mid Suffolk
YES	To maintain & improve the Suffolk Police Force.	Ipswich
YES	As long as the extra pays for more frobt line/visible policing.	East Suffolk
YES	We value the Police and understand that they have a very difficult job, however: In our experience smarter working practices, following procedures and the law, that provide action to 'nip in the bud', in our case anti social behaviour from a neighbour (known to the Police) would have saved nine months of weekly, sometimes daily communication with our local force, a survey which had to be compiled and two police officers delivered them by hand to a small section of neighbours (all of whom would not dare to speak out, for fear of retaliation) so a complete waste of time for our local force. We were asked on numerous occasions if we had evidence, which we did, but were never asked to provide it. We embarked on a three month mediation, via by and presumably paid for by the Police, which was a farce. In the end, 9 months of misery, targeted intimidation and targeted anti social behaviour, which seriously impacted on our mental and physical health, in our case, after pleading with the local inspector, was stopped by him, with one single intervention, a phone call or visit? We are unsure. An example of procedures not followed and dragging out a simple problem which is cruel, costly and ineffective. Yes we support the police being provided with more money, in the hope others won't suffer as we have. Tim Passmore - you were going to be my last resort for help. I'm happy to discuss this with you.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Policing of the community gives reassurance to residents that they will be able to go about their activities in safety and to more effect policing and apprehension of those who choose to ignore the laws we should all abide by.	Ipswich
YES	Hopefully there will be more of a Police presence in our town.	West Suffolk
YES	Suffolk Constabulary already do a very good job but they could do better if they have the necessary resources. It's also a rapidly changing world re: technology so it's imperative they're able to keep pace with this.	West Suffolk

YES	I want to see the Suffolk Police Service retain a budget for 2024/2025 which will support the existing level of services.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We must keep Suffok a safe place to live and work. Criminals are getting bolder as the recent ram raid on Nationwide Newmarket shows. Tacking Rrural crime needs to be a higher priority.	Mid Suffolk
YES	The question is am I receiving value for it? People smoking weed blatantly sitting in their cars but will you do anything about it? I imagine all other aspects of the council tax will be increasing which does make things unaffordable.	East Suffolk
YES	To at least maintain the level of service	East Suffolk
YES	We need to accept that we have to pay to maintain a good and reliable police force.	Mid Suffolk
YES	We need more police not less	Ipswich
YES	So important to keep us all safe	West Suffolk
YES	The Suffolk Police Force is under-funded compared to other forces and they NEED as high an increase as central government will allow. It is a shame they are not allowed to increase it by more.	East Suffolk
YES	We have to be prepared to pay for the services we receive, and when inflation reduces what can be achieved with a given budget, we should be prepared to pay more. I accept the assurances of the Chief Constable and the PCC that everything is being done to ensure that we get best value for the policing budget.	West Suffolk
YES	I am keen to ensure the police have the resources they need to maintain and improve the service provided	West Suffolk
YES	Considering the amount a good proportion of the Suffolk community spend on entertainment, the weekly increase represents 'peanuts'	West Suffolk



YES	Yes in principles, as long as we see a step up in rural/remote areas policing and a more effective response when a crime has been committed and not just relying on 101 with its horrendous wait times once you get through the initial answer, also night time policing increases should be another priority especially again in the more rural/remote areas, with early morning stop and searches increased of vans or any vehicle. So yes but improvements must be seen along with extra police on the ground everywhere being more visible at day and especially at night times.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I think the increase is reasonable considering the financial pressures facing the police force	Babergh
YES	Absolutely agree. Its not even the cost of a coffee, and of much greater value. We need our police and they need to be properly funded.	East Suffolk
YES	I want to pay more tax to help to restore the public services that have been ruined by years of this government, and I would like to see local government eventually restored to its capability before a previous administration of the same colour initiated its emasculation.	East Suffolk
YES	Important to keep or increase a levels of police presence as there is an increase in the number of crimes such as thefts from and of vehicles, and unacceptable behavior on the streets.	East Suffolk
YES	Crime appears to be spreading to all parts including Southwold and we need feet on the street. Perhaps consider selling unoccupied premises (such as the old police station in Southwold) to raise funds.	East Suffolk
YES	Burglaries in Suffolk seem to. be on increase	East Suffolk
YES	As long as we see some police	West Suffolk
YES	If the increase will allow more "bobbies on the beat" or community support officers, I would agree to an increase in the precept. At the moment the policing, for instance, of the drug problem in Elmhurst Park, Woodbridge, seems inadequate. J**** G**** <i>[name removed]</i>	East Suffolk
YES	we agree with the proposed increase, in fact we would be prepared to pay more for an improved service.	Mid Suffolk

YES	Law and order are my priority. But I would like to see more coppers on foot patrol, being approachable and less intimidating.	East Suffolk
YES	I fully understand the financial constraints you have to work within, and I do again fully support the proposed increase, my one proviso is that I would wish to see a far more visible police force presence, whether this is officers patrolling high streets mixing with the population or highway patrol cars, which I believe cause drivers to be considerably more cautionary than speed cameras.	East Suffolk
YES	Although on a pension, I don't think 25p will hurt a household, we really do need to sort some of these people out, get them off the streets, we have been far too lenient with them.	East Suffolk
YES	Happy to have more police which hopefully will cut the crime rate.	Ipswich
YES	As long as it goes on proper policing. More police on the streets dealing with problems, more investigations into burglaries etc. Less worry about misgendering, online insults etc. I am now quite nervous when visiting Ipswich, even during the day, due to the big groups of young men hanging around who refuse to let you past, making you walk in (even busy) roads to get past them, all shouting at each other, it makes me very nervous. Happy to pay more to feel safer.	East Suffolk
YES	Policing is important — the police force has suffered too many cuts over the years. It is improving but has far to go.	East Suffolk
YES	I think the increase is only acceptable if the following improvements are guaranteed. 1. Visible presence of police officers on foot in Eye, day and night. 2. Daily policing of lorries illegally driving through Eye. 3. Action on illegal parking. 4. Action on anti-social behaviour day and night.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I wish to support the policing in Suffolk	Mid Suffolk
YES	The Police service must be properly funded to fulfil its duties to the public!	West Suffolk

YES	Underfunded, overworked and unappreciated. We need more police and the government needs to review the pay rates. The pay rates have fallen behind the the cost of living and have done so for many years. Unlike the other emergency services they are banned from industrial action and the government are taking advantage of that. I would happily pay double the proposed increase.	West Suffolk
YES	Policing is important for all. Safety is important. Deterring is important. Education and support to stop reoffebsing is important.	Ipswich
YES	It's a tentative yes but do realise that inflation is affecting everyone and one would hope that you would strive at least to maintain services.	East Suffolk
YES	This sounds ok but are we going to see more Police visible on our streets i.e town centre/ market days	West Suffolk
YES	Policing needs to be kept at an appropriate level.	East Suffolk
YES	This seems a fair increase, particularly in view of crime trends and rising population within the county. The more complex electronic world surely imposes even greater work load upon the Police.	Babergh
YES	I would be happy to pay a little more if we ever saw a police officer in my village.	East Suffolk
YES	Safety and security is important. We need a strong police force	Babergh
YES	This seems a modest increase, amounting to approx £12 a year. I consider that reasonable to maintain the police force, which we all need.	Ipswich
YES	Represents excellent value for a Police service that keeps me and my family safe	Mid Suffolk
YES	We NEED more police	East Suffolk

YES	It's a small increase to pay in order to maintain our most important service, and to help ensure a safe community.	East Suffolk
YES	If it does help with making the standards the police need : on looking after families and keeping them safe, and focus less on motorists, then I am all for it.	Babergh
YES	Already there aren't remotely enough police.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Inflation has to be taken into account somehow.	Mid Suffolk
YES	This is a guarded yes. You say you are doing a good job for the people of Suffolk. How have you arrived at this conclusion? Where is the proof?	East Suffolk
YES	As part of the overall council tax bill, this is a relatively small increase. I think it is important that our police service does not have to make any cuts. Hopefully, the money will go to real policing on the ground and not on admin and management.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Being ex police myself I understand the need for an efficient and effective police force, I also understand that there is a need for greater numbers within towns/cities where more issues occur, however, living rurally I very rarely see any police presence. I understand that policing has changed over the years to a reactive service but feel rural communities miss out on having a relationship with police and therefore don't understand why they pay so much for the service. Maybe community (not just pcso's ) policing should be addressed again, maybe a monthly drop in for a couple of hours in village halls to address any rural issues relating to the particular area.	East Suffolk
YES	On the provision that the extra money is spent on crime prevention and detection and the increasing incidents of public order NOT on unnecessary Traffic issues.	West Suffolk
YES	Feeling safe in one's home is so important as one gets older. Living in rural locations can leave one feeling vulnerable.	Babergh
YES	Because I hope this will create a greater police presence in the community, rural, not just Ipswich.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Happy if funding police officers in Newmarket not PCSOs who are a waste of money.	West Suffolk

YES	Rural crime is growing there are far too few officers to investigate the level of issues most of which go unsolved or worse investigated. I am happy to pay providing this funds more officers out in the community and not additional admin roles or fat cat salaries.	East Suffolk
YES	Need to look at improving the Local Police force not maintaining the service we get now. Area population has expanded hugely but local services have not. Often see many Police units sent out to the same job in an overkill, surely this should be looked into so more units available and response times cut. Just my opinion from the outside.	Mid Suffolk
YES	Happy to pay the small increase in council tax to fund the police budget	Ipswich
YES	Dont spend anything on latest fashionable political causes eg rainbow coloured cars etc .	East Suffolk
YES	Yes and No. Proposed increase is insufficient. Triple the increase and put more officers "on the beat"	Mid Suffolk
YES	To allow a continuation of good service	East Suffolk
YES	Crime is not going away! We need to support Suffolk Constabulary.	Ipswich
YES	Central government should be increasing the public spending to assist with the required funding for policing. I would also be interested to know if there is a surplus in PCC's funding year on year and if so, why this is not invested to decrease the burden on the tax payer? Given that we are currently in a cost of living crisis, what will we actually see for our extra taxation into the constabulary?	West Suffolk
YES	Police are currently underfunded. But importantly, police need to be SEEN. So more police on the beat please.	Ipswich
YES	Neccessary to avoid cut in real terms. But annoying that this is another stealth tax by the Government.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I support any increase which can be used to underpin and improve boots on the ground and detection rates.	East Suffolk

YES	The Suffolk Police Force carries out a most excellent operation, for which the whole Suffolk community should be most grateful. It also appears to give excellent value for money. Notwithstanding all our other cost of living increases, we have a fundamental need for our Police force to be properly resourced and funded. I therefore fully support this increase.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I fully support the proposed increase in the police element of the council tax, up to and including being in line with inflation since the last increase. The local police do an amazing job and the least we, as rate payers, is support them financially.	West Suffolk
YES	Effective policing is fundamental to the stability of a civilised society. With increases in particular crimes, ranging from stealing from retail premises, to ever more sophisticated online fraud, it is essential that adequate Police resource is available to challenge these sorts of illicit activity. It is for example evident from the national increase in theft from shops that, if not properly dealt with, followed up and prosecuted, then opportunists as well as criminals see such crime as a low risk activity. I'm a great believer in the 'broken window' concept, so Suffolk Police must in my view have sufficient resource to deal with such apparently low-level crime, before it escalates to more serious criminal activity. The increase in online fraud presumably makes recruitment of more specialised officers essential too, and these no doubt command a premium over more regular rates. All of this clearly confirms the essential need for the proposed increase in the policing element of our council tax.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I fully support the proposed increase. The safety of our streets and roads are extremely important, and efforts should be increased to control antisocial behaviour and speeding in our area.	East Suffolk
YES	I am extremely worried about the crime in Suffolk so anything to help is positive.	Babergh
YES	The force must have the funds it needs but it must also recognise that EVERY report of a crime must be responded to. A more visible police presence would be most welcome too. Listen to your customers please	East Suffolk
YES	I guess that this is inevitable	Babergh
YES	We can't complain about lack of police presence if we are not prepared to pay for it.	West Suffolk
YES	The key issue is for the police to maintain visibility in the community which I feel they do reasonably well. Given that it is not a lot to pay.	Mid Suffolk

YES	But only if that means roads especially A140 Stonham Parva are actually policed and racing drivers are prosecuted. North of village is a known race track with cars speeding/racing well in excess of 50mph. Dangerous overtaking putting lives at risk and pull on emergency service resources when the inevitable crash happens. Prevention is a MUST	Mid Suffolk
YES	Because without sufficient funding from central government unfortunately, I see no other way of maintaining what we have. It's a sad state of affairs to have to do this but, it's not what people want, but what people need.	Ipswich
YES	Insufficient police seen on the streets anyway. Need more policing not less.	Babergh
YES	however, I do not agree to your peripheral expenditures on mental health etc !	East Suffolk
YES	Policing in suffolk is a joke both with the public and within the police force	West Suffolk
YES	Only if there is a visible improvement in the service provided. Rural policing seems to be non-existent and I have no confidence in the ability of the police to respond effectively to crime and little trust in policing generally.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I fully support the increase and this should also be increased for the fire service	West Suffolk
YES	As long as the money is spent efficiently and results, ideally, in more uniforms on the street and better response to reports of crimes, I'd happily pay 10% more, as 4.9% seems low given recent cost increases on everything. (I'd pay 20% more if it meant our village had a police house with a local bobby living in it!)	Mid Suffolk
YES	Security and a suitably funded police force are essential to providing a less stressful existence.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I would be prepared to pay even more to ensure that a high standard of policing is maintained or preferably improved.	East Suffolk
YES	I require a decent police service	Babergh
YES	My only quibble is that you have asked for, and received, increases before to achieve the same promises you are making again here this year. I think the Government underfunds the Police but to keep asking hard pressed people for more money is too much. I read all the time that confidence in the Police is low and people believe they do not attend anti-social crime calls or thefts from houses and cars - be aware that people are not going to take this much longer.	Babergh

YES	We can't have good public services without paying for them, as long as the increase is across the board I see no problem in this modest rise.	West Suffolk
YES	But the rural community do not receive a fair share of the budget. I know that the area is vast but why do we in the rural area have to pay the same as those in the town or city environment. with the number of crimes in the rural area increasing are we receiving the same service?	East Suffolk
YES	We are a E property and I agree to the increase. It is important to keep the Suffolk Police force fit for service.	East Suffolk
YES	Provided this goes to active policing and not to a diversity manager, for example.	West Suffolk
YES	I don't suppose you could take the extra monies from the Chief Constables pension contributions? I feel sure she could afford it, retiring as she will, at a mere 55 years old with a multi million pound pot.	Mid Suffolk
YES	If we want a safe and secure Society, then those that can should be willing as part of that Society to pay what is required.	West Suffolk
YES	Only if we see more of police presence in Bildeston	Babergh
YES	I would rather pay more than have a decrease in the quality of the service	West Suffolk
YES	Providing there is more proactive policing. We never see a PC or PCSO in Ixworth. We never used to have a Police and Crime Commissioner so that requires more money for his salary. Is he getting a pay rise? Chief Constables used to be able to more than adequately police Suffolk. Are we now a combined Norfolk/Suffolk Constabulary in practice if not in name? It's all very well to blind us with proposals. Actions speak louder than words. Let's see value for money with the increase.	West Suffolk
YES	Policing is a vital element of the services provided by the County Council.	East Suffolk
YES	Provided that goes to the front line of policing. I have not seen an officer anywhere in this village (Rattlesden) for several years and yet the level of rural crime seems to be increasing more than that in towns. Apart from the crime level there is an increase in the amount of illegal parking near the village school at drop off / collection times. There have been some near misses, some involving children, but nobody wants to do anything. An unannounced occasional visit would be a deterrent.	Mid Suffolk



YES	Worth every penny!	East Suffolk
YES	We have to ensure our services are properly funded, but I do worry that we also have other areas that need more funding, and this will be one of a number of items that result in significant tax rises overall.	West Suffolk
YES	Please ensure this money does not disappear into the ether. The police need to reduce red tape, reduce overheads and management roles, and invest in more resources on the ground to fight crime more effectively.	East Suffolk
YES	But please don't forget to police our rural villages	Babergh
YES	Its not a huge amount in the scheme of things to try to maintain a reasonable level of policing.	Mid Suffolk
YES	As a retired officer I know only too well the constraints placed on all forces. More power to their elbow!	East Suffolk
YES	Yes, but I would like to see clearly where the money is being spent. I am unhappy seeing civil servants being paid more than the PM to take 1/100th the responsibility.	West Suffolk
YES	Do you have reserves?	Mid Suffolk
YES	Would like to see more of the 'bobby on the beat' style officers on foot around Ipswich to help reduce street and local shop crime.	Ipswich
YES	If police presence is increased, police are able to spend more time with victims and working on allocated cases to afford a speedier response then that has to be a benefit.	Mid Suffolk
YES	I don't want the police service to deteriorate so it needs as much funding as possible	East Suffolk
YES	It is very important that the level of policing is at least maintained, preferably increased, across Suffolk.	East Suffolk

YES	Need to ensure Police are visible and able to effectively control crime to keep Suffolk a good place to reside and to hopefully teach the whole community to respect and be kinder to each other	Mid Suffolk
YES	Extra funding might mean we see more evidence of policing in our rural area.	West Suffolk
YES	We need to support our police to ensure they have adequate resources to protect residents of Suffolk	Mid Suffolk
YES	Completely agree.	Babergh
YES	I am pleased to see that the constabulary has introduced a new model of policing which places a greater emphasis on community policing. This should go some way in increasing trust and confidence and hopefully gathering community intelligence. However, I am conscious that significant amounts of recorded crimes are computer enabled requiring expensive specialist services. Further, more money is needed to speed up digital evidence gathering for RASSo crimes. These are expensive services which need to be funded. Overall it is money well spent.	Mid Suffolk
YES	No more PCSOs waste of space	West Suffolk
YES	I support this provided it is spent on front-line policing.	West Suffolk
YES	But still an awful lot of inefficiencies in local government so please press for savings in some key areas such as executive salaries, over staffing and waste on expenditure that is not in the public interest - and then there may be more money for policing. The answer is not to always charge the public more	East Suffolk
YES	25p a week is nothing , lets be honest...BUT....the increase needs to be visible to us. More Police out and about. Make a presence in the villages ..by getting out of cars and walk about...TALK to people. This will improve public confidence. People have too many negatives about our Police.....prove them wrong!!	West Suffolk
YES	When oh when was it that a Government in power properly funded rural communities fairly and properly. While do urban communities always appear to receive so much more. Rural county councils need to shout more loudly about FAIRNESS and EQUALITY funding.	East Suffolk

YES	Circa 5% is in keeping with next year's (2024) cost base increase. Inflation is likely to drop below 5% through 2024, but there is some cost increase margin to consider from 2023. Policing in Suffolk should be similar in 2024. I assume major projects like the A12 widening and Sizewell contribute directly to pay for police support for their needs	Babergh
YES	safety is good	Ipswich
YES	It will not cause hardship on the individual but will help policing in the communities greatly	
YES	It is an outrage that Suffolk has such a poor financial settlement from central government compared to neighbouring counties.	Babergh
YES	It is clear that we shouldn't expect a decent and reasonable service without putting in a decent and reasonable contribution. Nothing comes from nothing so we should all do our bit. Spread over the course of the year this is a minor amount, better value for money than a round of expensive coffees!	Mid Suffolk
YES	Policing is an essential public service that needs to be maintained and with costs increasing and Suffolk expanding i consider this reasonable	West Suffolk
YES	We do not need to see any reductions in policing across Suffolk being a huge rural county and there needs to be a much better presence in rural towns and villages with some greater visibility to improve trust and confidence. I really need to know the police are spending our money properly and there are no unreasonable costs for the long suffering taxpayer	Mid Suffolk