# UPDATE



Protecting Communities, Fighting Crime



### from Angelique Foster, Police and Crime Commissioner



Stronger local policing, significant reductions in antisocial behaviour (ASB) and fewer burglaries are just some of the key successes to mark policing in Derbyshire since 2021.

Angelique Foster, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner, has published her Annual Report for 2022/23, which reflects the outstanding progress being made to deliver a strong and more effective policing service to the public.

Derbyshire Constabulary now has 351 more police officers than it did in 2020 – many of whom have already been deployed to frontline roles. Recorded crime rates remain below the regional and national average with ASB and burglary down 47.5 per cent and 31 per cent respectively (compared to pre-Covid figures).

Police and Crime Commissioner Angelique Foster said: "Our communities want strong local policing teams who are able to respond to an tackle persistent problems effectively, fight crime and keep residents safe. I have addressed and delivered on their priorities and I will continue to work with the force to drive crime down further."

To download the Annual Report: www.derbyshire-pcc.gov.uk/ commissioner/pcc-annual-report/



#### Elected by the public in May 2021;

Set the key policing priorities in Derbyshire based on consultation with the public;

### **ANGELIQUE FOSTER YOUR POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

- Holds the Chief Constable to
- Sets the policing budget;
- Commissions services to support victims and improve community safety.
- account on behalf of the public;
- Victim Support and Safeguarding

Police and Crime Commissioner

Strong Local Policing

Angelique Foster puts the law-abiding citizen and victims of crime at the heart of

everything we do. Her priorities include:

Neighbourhood Crime and Anti-social

Rural Crime

**Behaviour** 

Road Safety

- **Driving Efficiencies**
- **Budget consultation**
- **Derbyshire Rural Crime Team** 'Most proactive' in the UK
- New support for people impacted by road tragedy



## **BUDGET CONSULTATION**

Residents still have time to share their views on police funding ahead of the 2024/25 budget.

Following another year of achievement, the Commissioner is determined to sustain performance. To complete the survey, visit:

https://bit.ly/DerbyshirePoliceBudget24-25



### NEW SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE IMPACTED BY ROAD TRAGEDY

Derbyshire victims of serious road traffic collisions and their families will now benefit from enhanced trauma support thanks to funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner.

As part of her Police and Crime Plan commitment to address road safety, a dedicated, locally based Independent Road Victim Advocate (IRVA) has been appointed to provide trauma-informed support.

Brake's National Road Victim Service provides a free service for anyone who has been bereaved or seriously injured in a road crash, or anyone who is supporting a road victim. The new enhanced package will ensure Derbyshire residents can access local practical and emotional support delivered face-to-face. This will significantly improve the quality of services victims receive.





### DERBYSHIRE RURAL CRIME TEAM NAMED 'MOST PROACTIVE' IN THE UK

The RCT was awarded the prestigious 2023 Rob Oliver Award from the Construction Equipment Association (CEA) for excellence in the fight against construction plant and agricultural machinery theft.

It follows the Commissioner's investment in the countywide rollout of a property marking scheme, giving farmers an opportunity to have their vehicles, machinery and equipment securely marked with the industry standard CESAR Security Systems and 'Datatag' products to help deter thieves.

More than £2m worth of machinery has already been protected in Derbyshire with more installations of CESAR happening every day.

Police and Crime Commissioner Angelique Foster said: "This system protects farmers from theft, quickly reunites them with their stolen property and brings more offenders before the courts.

"Since my election, rural crime has been a key focus. I have increased the capabilities and resilience of our Rural Crime Team to ensure the force is well-equipped to meet the challenges posed by today's rural criminals. This is what our rural communities want and deserve."

### Stay safe this Christmas

Christmas is almost upon us – a time when most of us will enjoy a well-deserved rest.

The festive season is a busy time for emergency service workers, especially our officers, staff and volunteers. Many will be out protecting our streets and neighbourhoods and responding to those in need throughout the festivities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past 12 months and wish you all a safe and peaceful Christmas.

Angelique Foster
Police and Crime Commissioner



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