

UPDATE



from Angelique Foster, Police and Crime Commissioner

DELIVERING STRONG LOCAL POLICING



It is an honour to serve the people of Derbyshire and Derby City. I am proud of the many improvements to policing that have been made since my election in May 2021.

I promised to restore Strong Local Policing. Derbyshire Constabulary **now has 351 more police officers than it did in 2020.**

Recorded crime rates consistently fall below the regional and national average with **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) – a key public priority – down 50% since pre-Covid levels.**

We have increased the force’s investigative capabilities and **reduced home burglaries by 31%.**

We have put additional police patrols on our streets with **more than 3,000 extra patrols in the last few months.**

A new ASB Immediate Justice scheme is **making perpetrators repay their communities** for the damage caused.

A clear focus on Road Safety and my work in collaboration with local partners has led the number of fatal collisions to fall by **22% since 2021.**

I have supported the introduction of Neighbourhood Acquisitive Teams, specialist teams who are bringing extra resource to tackle robbery and burglary, and a

dedicated Rape and Serious Sexual Offences (RASSO) team to undertake rape and serious sexual offence investigations. I have funded new police vehicles, many with ANPR to increase police capacity to catch more offenders. Training has been improved and boosted, including taser and initial pursuit training, to improve the response to crime, including for those living in rural communities.

I’ve also delivered a Derbyshire Specific Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy and funded two Independent Stalking Advocates for the city and county to ensure harassment crimes are investigated thoroughly and victims get more support.

To help local groups and councils tackle local problems, I provided dedicated grants worth **£550k** since 2021 to combat ASB and improve road safety. I’ve introduced and supported many successful initiatives, including the roll out of Operation Capture – utilising the public’s dashcam footage to prosecute dangerous drivers – and the launch of a new Speed Indicator Device (SID) scheme enabling many communities across the county to buy their own mobile SIDs .

I put residents first and foremost in everything I do. My focus is and will remain on making Derbyshire a safer place for all.

- ✓ 351 extra police officers and more PCSOs
- ✓ New and refurbished Police Stations
- ✓ 50% reduction in anti-social behaviour
- ✓ 31% reduction in home burglaries
- ✓ 42% reduction in 101 waiting times
- ✓ Larger Rural Crime Team
- ✓ Over 1,800 additional road safety enforcement patrols

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STRONGER POLICING IN DERBYSHIRE

351 additional officers recruited as part of the Government's target to recruit 20,000 new officers, above and beyond our Derbyshire target of 283.

£2m of additional funding provided to increase and maintain PCSO establishment numbers.

Significant reduction in call waiting times for 101, with average wait time down 7 minutes over 12-month period – now under three minutes.

Significant reduction in call waiting times for 999, with average wait time down by almost half – now average time six seconds.

Over £450k invested to boost the county's ANPR capabilities, including additional police cars equipped with ANPR.

Over 120 additional officers have received taser training since May 2021.

Initial phase pursuit training introduced, with **125 officers now trained** across the force.

Stop and Search increased by **22%** - taking more drugs and weapons off the streets.

Neighbourhood Policing Charter created to ensure local policing teams **engage better with their communities and support local councils, Neighbourhood Watch and Community Speed Watch.**



351 more officers recruited



£2m extra funding for PCSOs

101 and 999 call waiting times reduced



Stop and Search increased by 22%



CLAMPING DOWN ON ASB

Anti-social behaviour has been reduced by 50% in Derbyshire since 2021.

£4.4m extra government funding - launched my 'Derbyshire Action Against Anti-Social Behaviour Plan': 3,000+ additional policing patrols in hotspot areas and a new Immediate Justice Scheme to make perpetrators repair the damage they cause. Recognised as best in the country.

£400k of funding provided to 56 councils and community groups through my Anti-Social Behaviour Prevention Grant to pay for CCTV, security measures and youth activities.

Two internal Anti-Social Behaviour Coordinators funded to increase police capacity and funding ASB Wardens in every District and borough and Derby City.

Almost £3.5m in extra funding secured through the Government's Safer Streets programme to help communities tackle neighbourhood crime and anti-social behaviour.



£400k granted to communities to help them tackle ASB

50% reduction in anti-social behaviour



Over 3,000 more policing patrols in hotspot areas



RURAL CRIME

Increased the capacity within our Rural Crime Team, with a further Police Constable set to join and the first ever Rural Crime Team PCSO being introduced.

Created Derbyshire Partnership Against Rural Crime (DPARC), bringing together rural partners. The aim of the Derbyshire Partnership Against Rural Crime is to make Derbyshire the safest county and lead the way in preventing and reducing rural crime. The partnership, together with rural communities, will give Derbyshire rural communities one strong voice locally, regionally and nationally.

Spearheaded the creation of a Derbyshire Rural Crime Strategy, and the creation of the Derbyshire Rural Crime Prevention Hub to support our local rural communities further.

£15k invested in a property marking scheme to protect farmers' and rural business owners' vehicles and machinery. In total, over £2m worth of agricultural machinery has been protected.

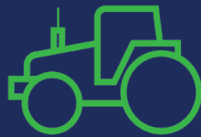
The rural training for all officers in local policing teams and Control Room staff across Derbyshire has been increased as well as additional training provided for Rural Crime Team officers.

17 more officers now acting as Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) across the county for rural issues, which is increasing police visibility.



Vehicle crime and residential burglary reduced in rural areas

£2m worth of agricultural machinery protected through property marking scheme



Rural Crime Team capacity has been increased more than ever before and 17 more officers acting as SPOCs for rural crime

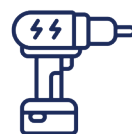
BURGLARY

There has been a **31% reduction in home burglaries**.

The Commissioner has ensured tackling burglaries is a priority and Derbyshire Constabulary committed to attend every home burglary. The Commissioner lobbied for burglaries to become an operational priority, long before it became a national requirement. Currently, attendance rate is **98.9%**, in line with new Government targets.

New Acquisitive Crime Teams have been introduced to help efficiently investigate burglaries, robberies and thefts.

New initiative launched to provide Datatag property marking kits to help small businesses and traders protect their high-value power tools from theft. One of only a few areas in the country to do so.



Providing free Datatag property marking kits to protect small traders' tools

31% reduction in home burglaries





ROAD SAFETY



Fatal collisions down by 22%

91 Speed Indicator Devices in place or due to be installed



Community Speedwatch volunteers increased by 58.5%

Fatal collisions on Derbyshire roads down by 22%.

Extra speeding and dangerous driving enforcement through an additional 1,800 hours of road safety enforcement through Operation Sparta.

A new accessible scheme for communities affected by speeding introduced in collaboration with Derbyshire County Council. £226k funding provided for the installation of Speed Indicator Devices to help communities tackle speeding in their local areas.

Community Speedwatch volunteers increased by 58.5% to a total of 636 across 90 groups.

Funding provided for Advanced Drivers Courses for young drivers aged 17 to 25 during 2024. Funding also provided for 30 Advanced Rider Courses for motorcyclists in Derbyshire, open to riders of any age.

Operation Capture rolled out to allow residents to submit dashcam footage of dangerous driving incidents. Over 1,700 submissions were made in 2023 alone, with over 60% resulting in prosecution, fine, points, warning letter.

TACKLING HIGH HARM CRIME AND PUTTING VICTIMS FIRST

Secured over £1m in extra government funding over three years to tackle serious violence and knife crime and keep it down.

Over £627,000 has been invested to fund a range of serious violence preventative initiatives, including intensive mentoring, education and awareness programmes to keep young people away from crime.

Launched a Derbyshire-specific Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy signed by all key partners across Derby City and Derbyshire.

Two Independent Stalking Advocates for Derby and Derbyshire funded to support victims of stalking and harassment, being one of very few Commissioners to do so in the Country.

Domestic Abuse Review, Missing Person and Criminal Exploitation specialist teams created to increase and improve protection and reduce the risk of exploitation and grooming, with a 10% reduction of repeat missing children from residential care.



Rape and Serious Sexual Offences teams formed to increase the number of rape cases that receive justice.

Funding for victim support services nearly doubled from £4.3m to £8.3m.



Violent crime remains below national and regional average

Over £1m in funding secured to tackle knife crime and keep it low



Stalking Advocates introduced to increase support for victims

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