

Dear resident

TAKE PART IN THE SURVEY

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has a statutory duty to consult with residents across Dorset as part of his considerations in setting the policing precept – the part of the council tax that contributes towards the Dorset Police budget.

Whilst the Police and Crime Commissioner is **minded to freezing the precept** that will take effect from April 2015, it is important to seek residents' views as to whether they agree with this approach or would prefer an alternative. Below outlines the various options:

- **Freeze the precept** – no reduction in police officer numbers or levels of service provided
- **Raise the precept by 1%** - extra 500k revenue for Dorset Police, costs council tax payers an extra £1.80 per year*
- **Raise the precept by 2%** - extra £1m revenue for Dorset Police, costs council tax payers an extra £3.60 per year*
- **Raise the precept by 5%** - extra £2.5m revenue for Dorset Police, costs council tax payers an extra £9.00 per year*
- **Raise the precept by more than 5%** - substantial extra revenue, increase in police officer numbers
- **Reduce the precept** – reduction in police officer numbers and levels of service provided.

*Based on a Band D household

Please share your views by completing the very short survey [here](#).

Thank you,

OPCC Engagement Team

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If you have information about a crime you can contact Crimestoppers on **0800 555111** in confidence, your call will not be traced and you may receive a cash reward.

If you have information on possible terrorist activity call the anti terrorism hotline in confidence on **0800 789 321**