

# UPDATE

from Angelique Foster, Police and Crime Commissioner



## DERBYSHIRE OUTPERFORMS THE REGION

**Stronger local policing, significant reductions in anti-social 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/](http://www.derbyshire-pcc.gov.uk/commissioner/pcc-annual-report/)



### ANGELIQUE FOSTER YOUR POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

- Elected by the public in May 2021;
- Set the key policing priorities in Derbyshire based on consultation with the public;

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

Police and Crime Commissioner Angelique Foster puts the law-abiding citizen and victims of crime at the heart of everything we do. Her priorities include:

- Strong Local Policing
- Neighbourhood Crime and Anti-social Behaviour
- Road Safety
- Victim Support and Safeguarding
- Rural Crime
- Driving Efficiencies

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# 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.



## GET IN TOUCH

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## COMPULSORY CCTV IN TAXIS WILL 'REDUCE RISK AND VULNERABILITY', SAYS COMMISSIONER

*Local authorities have been once again urged to mandate CCTV in licensed taxis to protect the public and help bring violent and dangerous offenders to justice.*

The Commissioner has provided strong evidence to support the widespread installation of CCTV in taxis across the county, saying that experience in other areas had shown that the cameras were helping to safeguard local residents and taxi drivers.

She recently responded robustly to Derby City Council's consultation on the proposals for the mandating of CCTV in taxis and private hire vehicles in the city. In this, she stressed that the move would **"aid in the prevention and detection of crime"**.

North East Derbyshire District Council became the first local authority in the county to make CCTV in taxis compulsory as a result of the Commissioner's long-running campaign.

The Commissioner said: **"Public safety is paramount and any practical steps we can take to reduce risk or vulnerability must be fully embraced because they have the potential to save lives."**

## 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

