



PFCC Announces Plan to save Essex PCSOs after additional funding

On Friday 31st January, the Government announced £100m of extra funding for policing nationally. Essex Police's share of this funding, £2.3 million, along with other measures will help bridge the £5.3m shortfall. This is thanks to intervention and lobbying of the Government by Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Roger Hirst and Essex MPs and Councillors, the Essex Police, Fire and Crime Panel.

On behalf of the EALC, our Chair, Mike Eldred has released the below statement-

'I am delighted to share the news resulting in the retention of all the Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in Essex. This has come about following intense government lobbying by Roger Hirst, Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's (PFCC) which has resulted in a last minute increase in government funding to help underpin the policing budget for 2025/26. This outcome is not only a testament to the remarkable work that PCSOs undertake but also highlights the significant role they play within our town and parish communities.

The PFCC's recognition of the invaluable contribution made by PCSOs is a clear indication of the positive impact they have on the safety and well-being of our local areas. Their continued presence will undoubtedly strengthen community ties

and enhance public confidence in our policing efforts. This development serves as a well-deserved acknowledgment of the dedication and commitment shown by our PCSOs in serving the community.'

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SCRAP Fly Tipping Campaign

Essex County Council have launched the "SCRAP Fly tipping" campaign, supported by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (PFCC), Essex Police, and the Environment Agency.

The campaign is a joint communications effort to change behaviour through raising awareness of responsible waste disposal and reuse options, alongside increasing the visibility of enforcement actions. The goal is to reduce fly-tipping

incidents, educate residents and boost enforcement against offenders. The SCRAP Fly tipping campaign is part of a wider pilot project including knowledge-sharing and partnership work, to test and learn what interventions can help tackle fly-tipping in Essex.

Please find the link below to the toolkit and assets:

- [Partners Comms Toolkit and Assets](#)



ECFRS Business Engagement Team Update

In 2024, the Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Business Engagement Team made significant strides in creating a safer Essex for businesses and communities. By focusing on education, partnership building, and tailored support, the team has empowered business owners to take control of their fire safety responsibilities. This update details their accomplishments and outlines plans for continued progress in 2025.

Surveys/Consultations

Have your say on the future of Essex County Fire and Rescue Service

Essex County Fire and Rescue Service (ECFRS) are updating its Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP), which focuses on making Essex safer together. The plan builds on lessons learned from their Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP), which has been extended to 31st March 2025 to ensure a smoother transition period and reflects both current and emerging risks across Essex. ECFRS is now consulting on this document until 19th February 2025 and would appreciate your feedback. You can give your views via the survey or contact the CRMP team directly at CRMP@essex-fire.gov.uk.

Full details are available on our website and social media channels by searching #TelleCFRS.

District Engagement



Dispatch- Essex Police Weekly Updates

Live since 2022, the e-newsletter, Dispatch, is a 'one-stop-shop' for local police news – direct from the source. Essex Police officers, staff and volunteers work hard across our communities daily. But not everyone hears about it or what is being done to help their local community. Sent out weekly, direct to the subscriber's inbox, each edition is full of local news, crime prevention advice and details about where you can meet your local policing team to speak to officers about any concerns. If you are looking for something more focused on where you are based - Essex Police offer 14 district editions of Dispatch too. It's completely free and anyone can unsubscribe at any time with the click of a button. Essex Police are looking to increase subscribers to help increase public confidence in the Force.

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PFCC Public Meetings



The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner is committed to engaging with the public of Essex around policing, crime, fire and rescue services. These meetings provide members of the public with the chance to ask questions about what is happening in their area.

Questions can be sent in advance to PFCC@essex.police.uk or posted at the event on the night.

The next Public Meeting is: Baildon District

Date: Tuesday 25th February 2025

Time: 7-8pm

Where: Barleylands, Barleylands Rd, Billericay, CM11 2UD
