

# PFCC

**POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME  
COMMISSIONER FOR ESSEX**

APPENDIX 3



## Role of the PFCC

- **Setting the priorities for policing and fire and rescue.**
- **Setting the budgets for Essex Police and Essex County Fire and Rescue Service & the council tax precepts for each service.**
- **Appointing and dismissing the Chief Constable and Chief Fire Officer**
- **Actively monitoring and scrutinising both services**
- **Holding the Chief Constable and Chief Fire Officer to account**
- **Regularly engage with the public and local communities**
- **Allocating grants through the Community Safety Development Fund and Commissioning local services**
- **Duty to bring together community safety partners to reduce crime and support victims of crime across Essex**



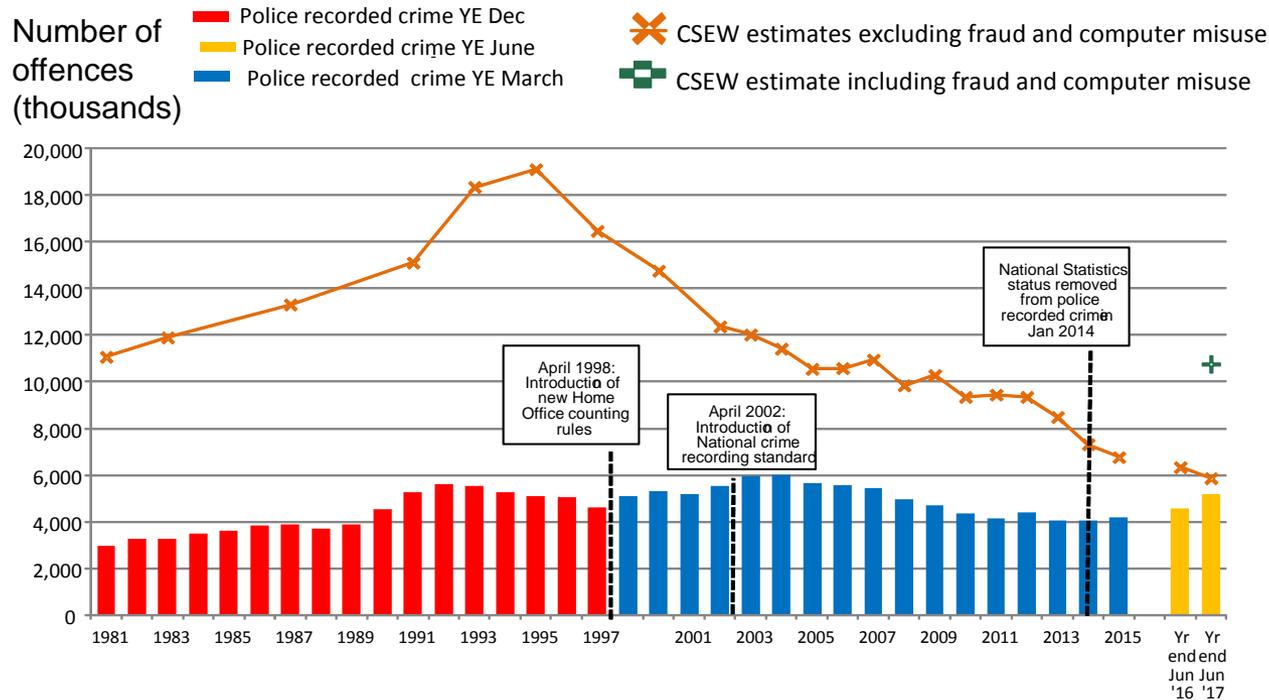
# The Seven Policing Priorities to Protect Essex

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- **More local, visible and accessible policing**
- **Crack down on anti-social behaviour**
- **Breaking the cycle of domestic abuse**
- **Reverse the trend in serious violence**
- **Tackle gangs and organised crime**
- **Protecting children and vulnerable people**
- **Improve safety on our roads**

## Changing nature of crime - National

- Crime peaked in 1995 and has significantly fallen since
- Since May 2015 recorded crime has started to increase
- Complexity of crime has increased
- We are seeing an increase in new types of crime, such as online and cyber crime



## Local, Visible, Accessible Policing

### Increased investment in visible policing

- 215 extra officers in 2019/2020 funded by an increase of £2 per month (per band D property)
- 150 extra officers recruited in 2018/2019
- Reaching a total of 3200 officers by April 2020

### Public opinion

- November 2018 asked residents if they are willing to invest more in policing
  - 4000 responses
  - 71% said yes
  - 72% willing to invest £20 or more
  - 48% willing to invest £25 or more



## Local, Visible, Accessible Policing

### Extra Officers from 2018/19 funding increase

- 6 PCs for Community Policing Team
- 6 PCs for Local Policing Team

### Essex Police fastest growing Special Constabulary & 2<sup>nd</sup> largest in the country

- 476 Special Constables with a target of getting to 700
- 15, 424 hours contributed in Oct increase of 30% (YOY)
- 120 Active Citizens and 318 Police Cadets
- Over 539 people with delegated police powers (CSAS)

### 150 ADDITIONAL OFFICERS



## Gangs and Violence



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- Joint operations and interventions from Essex Police, the Youth Offending Service and other agencies
- Sharing intelligence and data to improve targeting
- Increased investment in awareness and education programmes
- New, evidence-based interventions to prevent young people from being exploited by criminal gangs.

- Additional £664,000 from the national Early Intervention Fund
- Tackle the complex issues of serious violence, youth exploitation and drug gangs
- Establish a Violence and Vulnerability Unit.



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**28.1%**

**Fires attended**

2009/10: 6,680  
2017/18: 4,803

**Incidents attended**

2009/10: 20,234  
2017/18: 15,666

**22.58%**



**False alarms attended**

2009/10: 9,360  
2017/18: 6,347

**32.19%**



**Home fire safety visits**

2010/11: 6,770  
2017/18: 8,725

**25.75%**



**49s**

**Average response time for primary fires**

2009/10: 9m 16s  
2017/18: 10m 5s

**7.68%**

**Special service incidents attended**

2009/10: 4,194  
2017/18: 4,516



**Full-time firefighters**

2009/10: 874  
2017/18: 612

**262**

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**On-call firefighters**

2009/10: 388  
2017/18: 405

**17**



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## The Priorities

Prevention, protection and response

Improve safety on our roads

Help the vulnerable to stay safe

Promote a positive culture in the workplace

Develop and broaden the roles and range of activities undertaken by the Service

Be transparent, open and accessible

Collaborate with our partners

Make best use of our resources



## Next steps

**Public Survey launched November 20th and closed on January 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Police, Fire and Crime Panel Feb**

**Publication Feb / March**

