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COMMISSIONER NORTH WALES

How much we spent

April 2021 to March 2022



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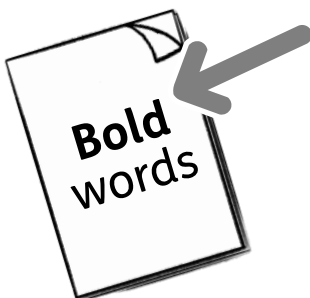
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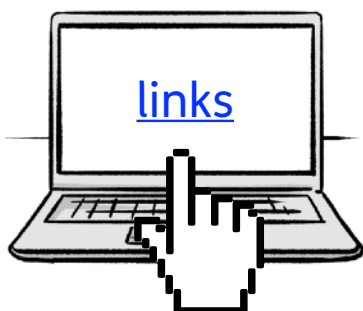
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Introduction



This information is from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner in North Wales.



The Police and Crime Commissioner in North Wales is Andy Dunbobbins.



The Police and Crime Commissioner decides how much money is needed for North Wales Police.



This year, we had more money to spend than usual, because the government wants there to be more police officers in North Wales.



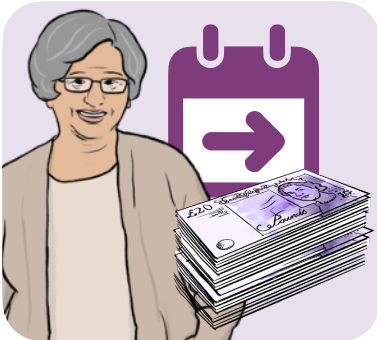
This information explains how much the Police and Crime Commissioner has spent on police services this year.

What we spent money on

We spent money on:



- Staff costs - this is things like paying people's wages.



- Helping pay for our staff's future **pensions**.

Your **pension** is money you get paid after you retire.



- Non staff costs - this is things like uniforms, and running costs of cars and buildings.



- Capital funding - this is money for things that we will use for more than a year, like new buildings, cars or computers.

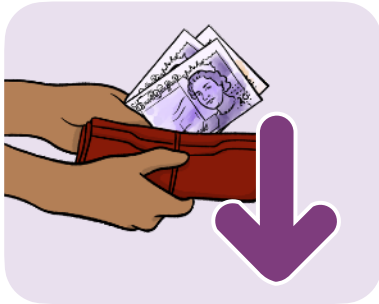


- Working with local people and organisations.



- Working with other police services.

How much we spent



We spent less money than we were given to spend this year.



We planned to spend about £173 million.



We ended up spending £6.394 million less than this.



We have put the money into **reserves**.

Reserves are unused money that is put aside so it can be spent in the future.



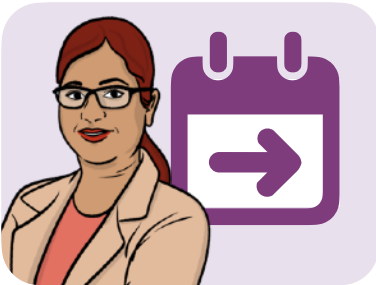
The law says that the police and crime commissioner must have money in reserves.

Why we spent less

Staff costs



We are hiring more police officers and police staff for North Wales.



Some police staff were hired later in the year, so we started paying them later.

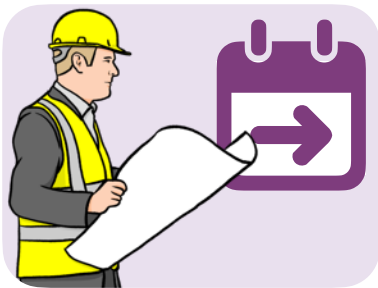


This means we spent less money than we have.

Non staff costs



We spent less than we expected on our buildings.



This is because:

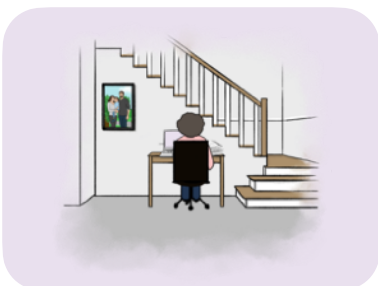
- Some building work is going to happen later than we thought, so we will pay for it next year.



- We didn't use as much electricity as we thought we would.



We spent less than we expected on cars and other ways of getting around.



This is because a lot of office staff are working from home.



We spent less than we expected on computers.



We didn't need to use all of the money we have for things we don't expect.



Capital funding

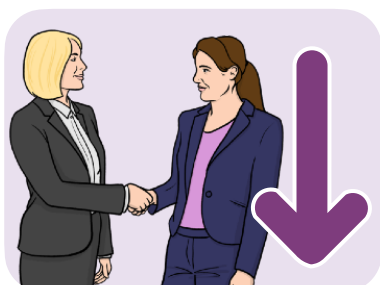
The money we spend on large items like buildings, cars and computers is called capital funding.



Sometimes, we need to borrow money for capital funding, because it costs a lot.



But because we saved money on other things, we had more money left over.



So we didn't need to borrow as much.

It is cheaper to use our own money instead of borrowing it.



This means we won't need to spend as much in the future paying back loans.

Money we got from other places

As well as our money from the government and council tax, we got money from other places. These include:



- Money from other police services across the country for helping them.



We got more money from other police services than usual this year.



- Money for special projects, like hiring more police officers, or making roads safer.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner



The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner spent less than expected.

This was because:



- Not all posts were filled for the whole year.



- Some people worked from home - this meant spending less on getting to places.

What we will do next



We have put the money that we did not spend into reserves.



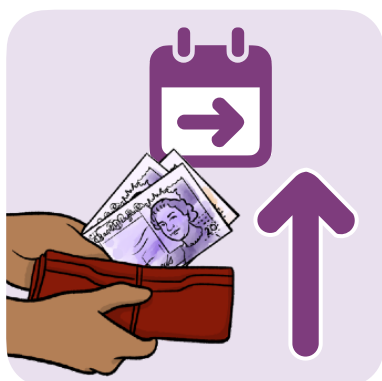
There are some things that we didn't spend money on this year, because we couldn't do them.



These things included not being able to do some training because of COVID-19.



When we can do these things again, we will pay for them using money from our reserves.



We may need to spend more than we expect in the future, because of things costing more than they used to.

If this happens we will spend money we have in reserves to help with the extra cost.

For more information



You can look at our website here:
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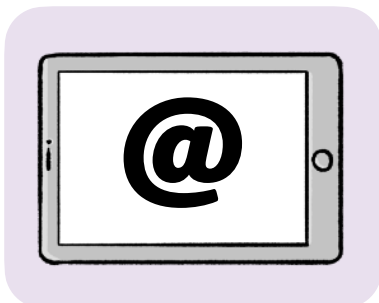
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