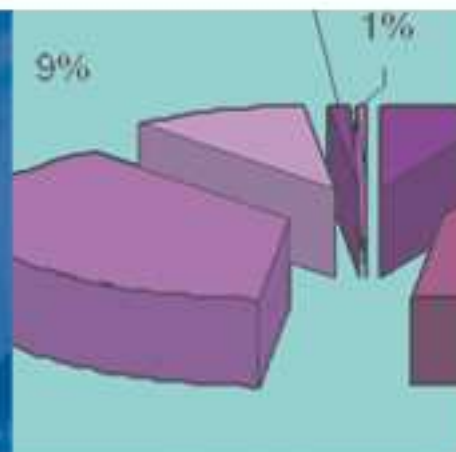


Summary Accounts

2006/07



**Kent
Police**

Treasurer's Statement

The Statement of Accounts records the expenditure and income of the Kent Police Authority (KPA) during the financial year 2006/07 and its financial position at the 31 March 2007. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the 'Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting' (SORP) and the 'Best Value Accounting Code of Practice' published by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA).

For the purposes of this summary statement some modifications have been made to provide less technical and more meaningful information.

A full copy of the Authority's Statement of Accounts 2006/07 is available on the Kent Police website

www.kent.police.uk

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Financial Review

	£m	%
Kent Police Authority spent £308m, but if you look at the accounts shown on the Website this shows as a net £243.6m because interest receivable from Deposits of £3.1m and Other Income of £61.3m has been taken into account in accordance with accounting guidelines		
Police Officer Pay and Pensions	183.8	59.7%
Police Staff pay and Pensions	68.5	22.2%
Running Costs	55.7	18.1%
Gross Expenditure	308.0	
The underspend of £3.7m in this year was mainly due to a delay in occupation of the new Police Station at Medway (£1.6m), managed delays in recruiting some Police staff and a change to the time of year that some police officers join the Force (£1.7m). The total underspend amounted to 1.5% of the total budget.		
Funded by:		
Council Tax	71.1	22.8%
Police grant	103.1	33.1%
Revenue Support Grant	11.8	3.8%
Non- Domestic Rates	61.3	19.7%
Interest Receivable	3.1	0.9%
Other Income	61.3	19.7%
Total Funding/Income	311.7	
Total Underspend 2006/07	3.7	

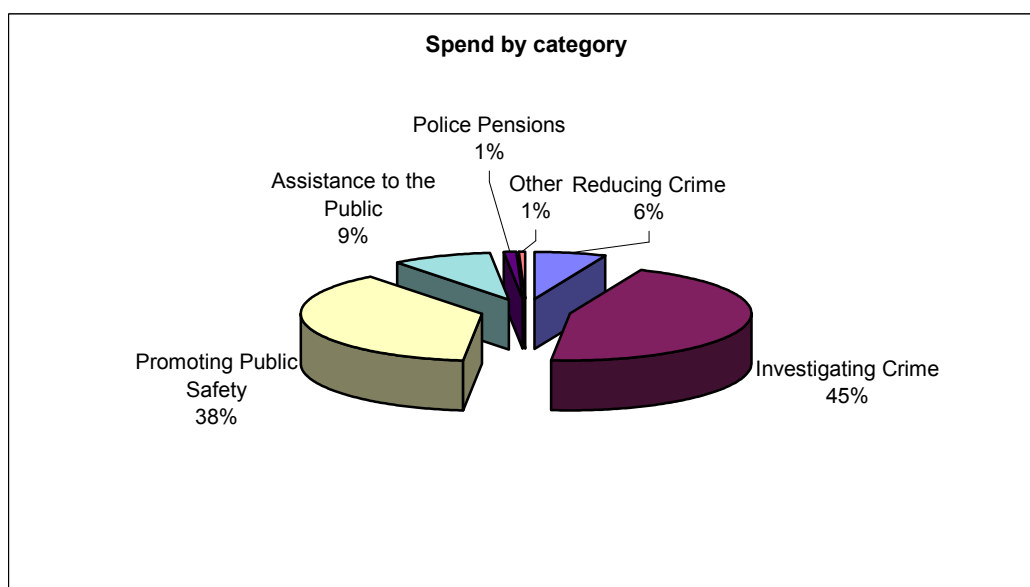
Total useable Reserves held on deposit by the Authority on 31st March 2006 stand at £25.2m. This sum has been put aside to fund our potential insurance payments (£11.5m), to fund future budget pressures (8.1m), spend to save initiatives (£4.5m) and computer replacement (£1.1m). There is also a general reserves of £5.1m held to cover unforeseen expenditure (2% of budget).

Council Tax

Out of 31 English Police Forces, not including Metropolitan areas, Kent Police Authority has the 6th lowest Council Tax charge in the country. Our services continue to provide excellent value for money and the charge for 2007/08, set against previous years in shown below.

	2007/8	2006/7	2005/6	2004/5
Band D Council Tax	£122.18	£116.37	£110.88	£105.66
Band D Equivalent Properties	615,311	609,219	603,834	596,587

The Chart below shows how the police budget is spent



Operational Performance

Kent Police are showing significant and sustained improvements in the detection and reduction of crime, borne out by the Home Office crime statistics and our own Kent Victimization and Crime Survey, which in 2006, interviewed 4000 Kent and Medway residents. In the last 12 months crime has fallen by 6.7% and offenders receiving a charge, caution, has other offences being taken into account at court or issued a fixed penalty notice has increased from 23.5% to 27.8%.

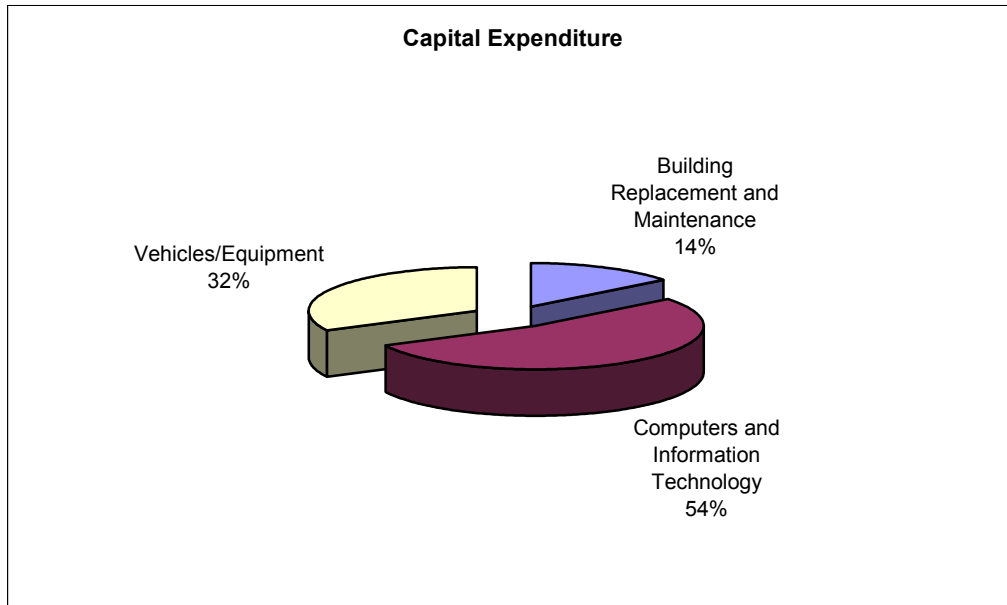
Accountability

Pricewaterhousecoopers audited the Kent Police accounts for the 2006/7 financial year. The auditors gave a favourable opinion on the accounts and signed them off without qualification. The Auditors also reviewed Kent Police for it's use of resources as laid down by the Audit Commission. We do not have the final results for 2006/7 as yet, but in 2005/6 Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary considered Kent resource management was "Excellent", after considering the Audit Commission results.

Capital Expenditure

Total Capital expenditure in 2006/7, which includes building replacement and maintenance, vehicles and all other fixed assets, was £9.3m

This money was spent as follows



Balance Sheet

(Full details can be seen on the Kent Police Website)

	£m	
Net value of fixed assets	187.4	The actual net worth of the Kent Police Authority is very good, showing an asset value of £209.5m. This includes all buildings and other assets owned by the Authority, but does not include the new Medway Police Station, built under Private Finance Initiative (PFI). PFI buildings are shown as rented rather than owned by the Authority
Other long term assets	1.7	
Amount owed to the Authority	15.3	
Temporary Investments	47.7	
Bank Balance	0.4	
Amount owed by the Authority	-22.6	
Amount owed by Authority – long term	-20.4	
Total Net Assets held by the Authority	209.5	
Other amount owed due to long term Pension Liability	-1,667.6	This liability is calculated due to the fact that the police pension scheme is not covered by a separate pension fund. The Authority therefore has to show the total potential future cost of pensions. This is a national responsibility but rules state that the Force has to show this in it's accounts
Total Asset less all liabilities	-1,458.1	