

**SUSSEX**

# FUTURE

GETTING ON WITH SUSSEX'S PRIORITIES

May 2024

## HOW YOUR VOTE IN MAY CAN MAKE OUR STREETS SAFER



### Putting women and girls first

**Women and girls deserve to know they're safe, no matter where they are or what they're doing.**

That's why the government is investing millions to tackle violence against women and girls, punish domestic abusers and keep the worst criminals off our streets.

The Conservatives have introduced tough new laws — doubling the maximum sentence for stalking, criminalising the act of sharing intimate photos without consent, and tightening laws around domestic abuse.

So police and judges have the power to keep dangerous criminals off our streets.

At the same time, the government is increasing the support they give to victims, investing over £230 million to help those who have suffered from domestic abuse.



■ The Conservatives are investing in the safety of women and girls

**INSIDE:** How our Police and Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne is working to cut crime...



# DELIVERING FOR YOU: MORE POLICE, SAFER STREETS

**Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne has been working hard to deliver on your priorities.** Katy has been focused on

delivering more police and safer streets across Sussex. Her record of action speaks for itself... **CONTINUED INSIDE >>>**



### INSIDE KATY'S PLAN FOR MORE POLICE AND SAFER STREETS

**Hundreds of local people are supporting Katy's plan for Sussex.** There's still time to back Katy's plan – Sussex needs a Police and Crime Commissioner with experience. **CONTINUED INSIDE >>>**

### A DAY IN THE LIFE OF OUR POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER KATY BOURNE

**SEE INSIDE:** Police and Crime Commissioner is a big job. They control a multimillion-pound budget. They hire and fire the Chief Constable. They set policing priorities. And they work with local...



Police & Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne has delivered highest number of police officers in over a decade >>>

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Some achievements so far:

- Driven the biggest rise in police officer numbers in over a decade
- Neighbourhood crime is down 23%
- Residential burglary is down 33%
- Top performing forces in England & Wales for answering 999 and 101 non-emergency calls
- Dedicated Business Crime Unit with solved rates up to 69.9%
- Delivered on rural crime concerns
- Ensured Sussex Police treat road safety and antisocial behaviour seriously with innovative programmes like the Immediate Justice pilot
- Directed £ millions to support victims of crime, divert young people from harm and helped communities protect themselves

If re-elected on Thursday 2nd May, Katy will continue her track record of driving and delivering improvements across Sussex, listening to and prioritising residents' needs while delivering more police and safer streets.



**EXCLUSIVE**

**WHAT A  
DIFFERENCE A  
DAY MAKES!**



**SUSSEX IS HIGHEST PERFORMING POLICE FORCE ON CALL ANSWERING TIMES**



**Working with police, PCC Katy Bourne has improved call answering times - 98.1% of all 999 calls received are answered within 10**

**seconds** and 101 waiting times are averaging less than 2 minutes, making Sussex the highest performing in the country!

**Katy Bourne, our Police and Crime Commissioner, is working hard with police to cut crime and antisocial behaviour, support victims and make our area safer for every resident in every community.**

**Morning**

- 8am with Chief Constable discussing our new plan to tackle antisocial behaviour, especially shoplifting and abuse. Secured agreement to increase the number of patrols in hotspot areas and target prolific shoplifters. With the highest number of officers recruited in over a decade, we're already seeing crime reducing with theft, residential burglary and neighbourhood crime all down by over 23%. Last year, police disrupted 585 drug lines, attended 187,827 incidents, made 24,714 arrests and improved their solved rate by 21%.
- Lively visit with two of the force's Oscar Kilo 9 Wellbeing and Trauma Support dogs. Police officers and staff are frequently exposed to trauma so a visit from these beauties reduces stress and anxiety. The dog handlers are mental health first aiders so are ideally placed to listen and help.
- Check correspondence and social media messages and hold a telephone surgery for two residents to discuss the impact of a recent crime and how I can improve our services for victims.

**Lunchtime**

- Signed off latest budget,

approving extra funding for CCTV to park areas in Crawley, Eastbourne and Hastings. Also approved funding for use of a drone to patrol Brighton beach and a Sussex-wide campaign tackling drink-spiking. Keeping everyone safe in our public spaces, especially women and girls, is a high priority. Just last year, nearly 60,000 victims were referred to support services I commission with over £5 million allocated to providers to deliver services tackling crimes like domestic abuse, stalking, serious sexual offences, drug and alcohol abuse and child exploitation.

**Afternoon**

- Out on patrol with our Roads Policing Unit - we've increased the number of officers tackling drink/drug & antisocial driving and introduced innovative technology to monitor illegal use of mobile phones whilst driving.
- Final stop to visit our latest mobile police hub, made from recycled plastic bottles and powered by solar. A great drop-in unit for residents to speak to local officers in town centres, increasing police visibility which is what the public have asked for.



# TOUGH NEW LAWS TO CUT CRIME

**Ending automatic early release for the worst criminals. Tougher punishments for abuse. Keeping criminals off our streets.**

The government has introduced tough new sentences to keep Brits safe and keep dangerous criminals off our streets.

By ending automatic early release for the worst criminals, including child killers and terrorists, the Conservatives are helping

to make every community safer.

The government has also introduced new laws to protect women and girls. These include doubling the maximum sentence for stalking, criminalising the act of sharing intimate photos without consent, and tightening laws around domestic abuse.

These actions are helping to make everyone safer, no matter where they are or what they're doing.



## My plan for More Police, Safer Streets

**As your current Police and Crime Commissioner, Katy has the experience, proven track record, trusted national voice and clear plan that is keeping us Safer in Sussex..**

- 1) Continue cutting crime, catching criminals, fighting drugs gangs, county lines and serious violence and reducing re-offending - making everyone Safer in Sussex
- 2) Make policing visible, especially in our towns and villages, and tackle anti-social behaviour by increasing the number of Hotspot Patrols
- 3) More investment into Roads Policing - a) establish a 'Fatal Five Roads Unit' to tackle anti-social driving, speeding and save lives b) drive the Vision Zero approach by chairing the Sussex Safer

Roads Partnership with the aim of cutting fatal and serious collisions by half by 2035.

- 4) Make shops and businesses safer places to work and visit - a) introduce electronic tagging for prolific shoplifters b) further improve the police response to shoplifting and encourage more retailers to report c) continue supporting 'abuse against shop workers' to become a standalone offence
- 5) Give our Rural Crime Team more tech capability
- 6) Support victims of crime, especially our elderly and young, and protect our vulnerable from all forms of abuse - continue introducing innovation to keep women and girls safe in our public spaces

### KATY BOURNE – More Police, Safer Streets

# Thursday 2nd May 2024

## KATY BOURNE'S POSITIVE RECORD OF ACTION FOR SUSSEX



**Neighbourhood crime** down 23%



**Highest police officer numbers** in 10+ years



**585 drug lines** disrupted last year



**Top nationally** for answering 999 & 101 calls



**Over £5m** to support victims



**21% more** serious crimes solved



**Tackling** prolific shoplifting gangs



**Dedicated** business & rural crime teams



# 20,000 EXTRA POLICE [DELIVERED]

In 2019, the government promised to recruit 20,000 extra police. And the government delivered that promise — recruiting every single one.



**Safer streets are a priority for Brits — and they're a priority for the Conservatives too.**

That's why the government delivered their promise to recruit 20,000 extra police.

These officers are now out on streets, helping to cut crime and

keep your family safe.

And Rishi Sunak is making sure police have the support they need to do their jobs.

The government has invested more money in every police force in the country. That means our officers have the tools and

resources they need to tackle crime.

And by passing tough new laws to keep the most dangerous criminals off our streets, the Conservatives are making our streets safer for every resident in every community.

## MY PLAN FOR MORE POLICE & SAFER STREETS IN SUSSEX

**1** Continuing to recruit police officers for more visible patrols in our towns and villages.

**2** Keep women and girls safe in our public spaces.

**3** Save lives on our roads with a dedicated 'Fatal Five Unit'.

**4** Tackle shoplifting and antisocial behaviour across Sussex.

**5** Maintain our dedicated Rural Crime Team — looking after our rural areas.

**6** No tolerance for knife crime and drug gangs.

### WHY I'M VOTING IN THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER ELECTION



I've lived in Sussex for years and my concerns about safety have been listened to. That's because we have a Police & Crime Commissioner who cares. Katy's ground-breaking work to

protect women and girls speaks for itself so I'm telling all my neighbours to vote Katy Bourne in the PCC election on 2nd May. **Priscilla, Sussex Resident**

### WHY I'M VOTING IN THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER ELECTION



I'm voting for Katy Bourne on the 2nd May as she is tackling anti-social behaviour across Sussex. I particularly like her work with young people. Katy has introduced an award-

winning youth prevention program called REBOOT which helps keep young people out of criminality and reduces anti-social behaviour **Alan, Sussex Resident**

**ON THURSDAY 2 MAY, VOTE FOR KATY BOURNE  
MORE POLICE, SAFER STREETS**