

Police and Crime Panel

10th January 2022

Consultation of Precept rise Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner



1. Purpose

To enable the Panel to discuss with the PCC, her planned consultation on the level of the policing precept in 2022-23.

2. Background

The government announced its funding settlement for policing on Thursday 16th December 2021, leaving only a brief amount of time to allow the PCC to set out her proposal. The government have determined that the maximum increase that can be levied on the police precept is £10 for a band D property. If the PCC wishes to set an increase greater than this, it becomes subject to a local referendum.

At the time of writing this report pre to Christmas 2021, the PCC is considering consultation on the basis of the maximum increase of £10. The consultation will include detail of proposals to target specific areas within the Force that are of importance to the public and that relate to parts of the new Police and Crime Plan. These areas are currently under review with the Force and detail will be provided to the panel at the meeting.

3. Financial detail

The table below shows the weekly increase an extra £10 would be for each council tax band.

Band	New change with £10 increase	Annual increase £	Weekly increase
A	160.16	6.67	13p
B	186.85	7.77	15p
C	213.55	8.89	17p
D	240.24	10.00	19p
E	293.63	12.23	24p
F	347.01	14.44	28p
G	400.40	16.67	32p
H	480.48	20.00	38p

4. Consultation Process

The PCC has a duty to consult on the proposed precept. This began on the 4th January and will run for 3 weeks. The consultation will comprise of a number of questions and statements and will be delivered via a number of methods:

- Face to face meetings and engagement at events and meetings such as Area Action Partnerships, local meetings and council meetings
- Social media
- The use of online surveying tools
- Contact via the PCC office
- The use of the Keep in the Know public contact database

The results of the consultation will be analysed and presented to the panel with a final report from the PCC for its February meeting.

5. Recommendations

That the panel receives a further detailed update on the consultation and that they note the contents of this report.

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Appendix 1: Risks and Implications

Finance

Staffing

Equality and Diversity

Accommodation

Crime and Disorder

Children's Act 2004

Stakeholder/Community Engagement

Environment

Collaboration and Partnerships

Value for Money and Productivity

Potential Impact on Police and Crime Plan Priorities

Commissioning

Other risks

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