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AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

25 February 2025

Local Government Finance Settlement - Letters to Government

REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide members with a copy of the letters sent to government regarding the Local government Finance Settlement.

Background

2. At the meeting on 23 January 2025, it was requested that letters be sent to government regarding the reduction in grant funding, the shortfall in compensation grant to cover increased national insurance contributions and the inequity in the current funding formula.
3. Copies of the letters which were sent to the Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, Minister of State for Policing, Fire and Crime Prevention and The Right Honourable Angela Rayner, Secretary of State for Housing Communities and Local Government are attached at Appendix A and B. A copy of the Authority's response to the consultation on the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement is also attached at Appendix C.

Recommendations

4. Members are requested to note the report.