POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR WEST MERCIA

RECORD OF DECISION



TITLE: Setting the Precept 2022-2023

Ref: PCC/D/2022/01

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To approve the proposed precept for the financial year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 the Commissioner is required to notify the Police & Crime Panel of the proposed precept to the Police & Crime Panel by no later than 1 February before the start of the relevant financial year. The Commissioner is required to conform with the Police & Crime Panels (Precept and Chief Constable Appointments) Regulations 2012.

When setting a budget requirement, the Commissioner must have regard to representations received and any reports of the Police and Crime Panel.

The final precept must be determined by 1 March 2022.

PROPOSAL

The Commissioner is recommended to propose a precept increase of £9.47 or 3.94% for 2022/23.

APPROVAL OF

West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the above proposal.

Signed

PART 1 - NON-CONFIDENTIAL/EXEMPT FACTS AND FIGURES

SUPPORTING REPORT

To assist the Commissioner determine a proposed precept level, the Commissioner's Chief Financial Officer has prepared the accompanying budget report (Appendix 1)

In setting the proposed precept the Commissioner has had regard to public responses and those of ratepayer representatives. These have been summarised (Appendix 2).

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

This decision supports the following element(s) of the Safer West Mercia Plan.

☑ Putting Victims and Survivors First ☑ Building a More Secure West Mercia

□ Reforming West Mercia

□ Reassuring West Mercia's Communities

The decision supports this/ these objective(s) through the following:

- By providing resources to ensure these aims and objectives are achieved
- By funding the Force to deliver effective policing within West Mercia
- By investing in the ICT and Estates infrastructure to ensure it is up to date and fit for purpose
- By supporting local partners, whether in the public, voluntary and private sector to undertake preventative programmes and initiatives to reduce crime in West Mercia

BENEFITS AND THEIR REALISATION

Monitored through Money Matters, Holding to Account arrangements, and activity reporting to the Police and Crime Panel

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FINANCIAL AND TREASURER COMMENTS

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Treasurer

Date 23rd January 2022

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

By virtue of schedule 11, paragraph 14 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 the Police and Crime Commissioner may do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the exercise of the functions of commissioner. That includes: entering into contracts and other agreements (whether legally binding or not) and acquiring and disposing of property (including land).

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OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive Officer

Signature

Date 25th January 2022