

Joint Audit and Scrutiny Committee

Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable for West Mercia

Date of Meeting:	28 March 2022
Agenda Item	08_28/03/2022
Subject:	Budget Report 2022/23
	Review the Budget Report for 2022_23
Report by:	Paul Benfield
Reporting Organisation	PCC
Number of Appendices:	1

Summary

Attached with this covering report is the Budget Report 2022/23. This report provides the JASC with an update on budget that was agreed for 2022/23. The budget report was presented to the Police and Crime Panel on the 4th February 2022, where the Council Tax precept was ratified. The Council Tax increase for a Band D equivalent property is £9.47 which is a 3.94% increase, and is now set at £249.66. Following the PCP the total budget for 2022/23 has been set at £260.485m which was approved by the PCC at the West Mercia Governance Board on the 25/03/2022.

The budget has increased by £15.6m since the previous year, and includes a commitment to meet the Home Officer target of increasing the establishment by an additional 125 officers.

The budget also includes the MTFP and Capital programme

The budget report includes a reserves strategy and the Treasurer's statement on the soundness of the budget and adequacy of the reserves

Action Required:

Consider and note the presented budget report for 2022/23.