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Dear Ms Jones,

Outcome of Hampshire Police and Crime Panel's consideration of your proposed precept.

At our recent meeting, on 28 January 2022, Members of the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel (the Panel), considered your proposed precept for 2022/23.

I can confirm that the Panel resolved the following:

That the Police and Crime Panel support the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) proposed precept increase of £10 per annum for Band D properties, which is the equivalent of £0.83 per month, or 19p per week.

The Panel recommends and expects that key improvements identified in the police and crime plan and through this budget be reported to the PCP and the public, particularly in terms of the responsiveness to incidents, improvements in crime reporting and reductions in the levels of crime.

Further the Panel noted:

- the recommendations from the Chief Constable to the PCC on her operational requirements for 2022/23 onwards, and her support for a precept increase of £10 to enable the delivery of those requirements.
- that 61% of households across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight are in properties in Council Tax bands A-C and would therefore see a precept increase of less than £10 per annum.
- that the precept increase will support the delivery of the PCC's Police and Crime Plan 'More Police, Safer Streets'.
- the proposals within the report which will ensure that for 2022/23 there will be significant investment to enable 'More Police, Safer Streets', which includes delivering an increase in police officer numbers by 196 above the existing budgeted establishment as part of the third tranche of the Government's commitment to increase police office numbers nationally by 20,000.
- the total uplift in police officer numbers in Hampshire Constabulary over the three-year period 2020/21 – 2022/23 delivered through the Government's Uplift programme is 498, and that with support from the PCC, Hampshire Constabulary is targeting an increase of 600 officers by April 2023, and the budget proposed for 2022/23 includes additional funding to deliver this target.
- that the PCC had undertaken a broad range of consultation over the course of the last year to determine the public support for a precept increase, and that

the overall collective outcome of the consultation showed that there was majority support for a precept increase.

The Panel looks forward to receiving updates from yourself and your team over the forthcoming year demonstrating progress against the budget and the tangible deliverable outcomes to be expected as a result of the precept increase.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below if you have queries or comments in relation to our resolutions above.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Simon Bound". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

Cllr Simon Bound
Chairman, Hampshire Police and Crime Panel