

West Mercia Police and Crime Panel

4 FEBRUARY 2015

5. CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED PRECEPT

Recommendation	That the West Mercia Police and Crime Panel review the West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner's proposed precept for 2015/2016 and provide a response.
Purpose	1. To review the Commissioner's proposed precept for 2015/2016 and provide a response.
Background	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. The West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner is required to submit his proposed precept by 1 February 2015 for review by the Police and Crime Panel.3. The Panel must consider the proposed precept, and:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) support the proposed precept with or without qualification, comment or recommendation; orb) not support the proposed precept and may comment or make recommendations, including as to the level of the precept; orc) veto the proposed precept (For the West Mercia PCP this would equate to 12 members voting to veto) and indicate whether the veto is because the proposed precept is too high or too low, together with any recommendations.4. If there is no veto, the Commissioner must have regard to the report made by the Panel (including any recommendations in the report); give the Panel a response to the report (and any such recommendations) and publish the response. The Commissioner may issue the proposed precept for the financial year or issue a different precept, but only if it would be in accordance with a recommendation in the report to do so.5. If the Panel vetoes the proposed precept, the report to the Commissioner must give reasons for that decision. The Commissioner must have regard to that report, any recommendation(s) and must respond. In this circumstance the Commissioner must submit a revised precept by 15 February 2015 for the Panel to review and

Supporting Information

Contact Points

respond by 22 February 2015. It is a requirement that the Commissioner publishes a response by 1st March 2015. The Panel has agreed to meet on 17 February 2015 should it be required to consider a revised precept.

6. Attached is information from the Commissioner's office which outlines the West Mercia Budget 2015/2016 and the Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16 to 2019/20 which outlines that the outlines that the Commissioner is minded to recommend an increase of 1.99%.
7. The Panel's Budget Task Group met on 16 January 2015 and a summary of its considerations will be circulated in advance of the Panel meeting.

- Appendix 1 – West Mercia Budget 2015/2016 and the Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16 to 2019/20
- Appendix 2 – Summary of Panel Budget Task Group (to follow)

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