

## PCC Decision Report

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<b>Report reference number:</b> PCC/0012/2017
<b>Classification:</b> Not Restricted
<b>Title of report:</b> Precept for 2017/18
<b>Area of County/Stakeholders affected:</b> All
<b>Report by :</b> Charles Garbett, Treasurer to the PCC <b>Date of report:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2017 <b>Enquiries to:</b> Charles Garbett; 01245 291612 or charles.garbett@essex.pnn.police.uk

### **1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 To publish the PCC's response to the Police and Crime Panel (PCP) on the proposed precept (the council tax element for policing) for 2017/18.

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 The PCC is recommended to publish his response to the PCP's report on the proposed precept for 2017/18.

### **3. Benefits of Proposal**

- 2.1 The publication of the PCC's response to the PCP enables decisions on the level of police precept to be open and transparent.

**4. Background and proposal**

2.1 The PCC's proposed precept presented to the PCP can be accessed through the following link:

<http://cmis.essexcc.gov.uk/essexcmis5/CalendarofMeetings/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/3680/Committee/127/Default.aspx>

**5. Police and Crime Plan**

5.1 The precept decision is directly related to the Police and Crime Plan. The overall level of resources makes a difference in building safe and secure communities.

5.2 The PCC's Police and Crime Plan can be accessed through the following link:

<http://www.essex.pcc.police.uk/priorities-for-essex/police-and-crime-plan/>

**6. Police Operational Implications**

2.1 The PCC allocates £267m (99.5%) of available budget resources to the Chief Constable for operational policing. Income from the precept funds around one-third of this total, therefore the precept level has a direct impact on operational policing.

**7. Financial Implications**

2.1 As set out in the PCC's proposed precept for 2017-18 (see background section above).

**8. Legal Implications**

8.1 Publicising the precept complies with Schedule 5 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

**9. Staffing and other resource implications**

2.1 As set out in the PCC's proposed precept for 2017-18 (see background section above).

**10. Equality and Diversity implications**

10.1 None.

**11. Background papers**

11.1 Included in sections 4 and 5 above.

**Report Approval**


The report will be signed off by the OPCC Chief Executive and Treasurer, prior to review and sign off by the PCC / DPCC .

Chief Executive/M.O                      Sign: .....  .....  
Print: ..... S. Hancock .

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer      Sign: .....  .....  
Print: ..... CHARLES A GAUSSON .

**Decision**

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: .....  .....  
Print: ..... R.C. Hulse .....

**PCC/Deputy PCC**

Date signed: 14/2/17

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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Sign: .....  
Print: .....

**PCC/Deputy PCC**

Date signed:

**Publication**

Report for publication	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Reasons for non-publication** (*state 'None' if applicable*)

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**Sign:** .....

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If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.

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Chairman of the Essex Police and  
Crime Panel

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Date: 6 February 2017

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**BY EMAIL**

Dear Cllr Jowers

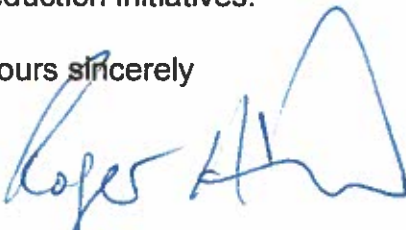
Thank you for your confirmation that the Police and Crime Panel, at its meeting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January, support my proposed precept for 2017-18.

I will now issue a Band D precept of £157.05, an increase of £4.95 (3.25%) per year.

The additional £3.1m raised as a result of this increase will enable a direct contribution to be made to the priority areas of the Police and Crime Plan. Moreover, the precept increase will have a lasting financial benefit to Essex Police and increase its capacity to deliver community safety across the policing area.

I welcome both the challenge and support given by the Police and Crime Panel in helping to ensure that available resources are best directed towards policing priorities and crime reduction initiatives.

Yours sincerely



**Roger Hirst**  
**Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex**

