

For Information, Consideration and Decision	
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Report to:	Police & Crime Panel
Date of Meeting:	1st February 2016
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Agenda Item:	7

Precept and Budget reports 2016-17

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 For Members to consider the budget proposals in support of the Precept setting report and its recommendations.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are requested to:
- 2.1.1 Consider the revenue and capital budget reports provided
 - 2.1.2 Support the request to increase the precept by 1.99%

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 This report and its accompanying documents comply with Legislation and Financial Regulations.

4. Summary of Key Points

- 4.1 The Police & Crime Panel is required to provide or decline its support for the proposed increase in the Policing element of the precept.
- 4.2 The reports appended to this covering report include the following:
- **The Precept Report 2016-17.** This provides information on the Council Taxbase and the effect that a 1.99% increase will make to the funding of Policing in Nottinghamshire in 2016-17. It should be noted that only a draft report based upon estimates from the Billing Authorities has been provided and an updated **final report** with final declarations in relation to the tax base and collection fund balances **will be tabled** on the day of the meeting.
 - **The budget Report 2016-17.** This report provides a breakdown of the budget for 2016-17. It includes details on the additional cost pressures and steps being taken to deliver the required efficiencies to ensure a balanced budget.
 - **The Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).** This report provides a longer term view on the funding available and related expenditure.
 - **Reserves Strategy.** This report details the levels of reserves held by the Police & Crime Commissioner. It provides a risk assessment for the General Reserves and detail on what the earmarked reserves can be

used for. The level of reserves held are themselves a risk and have therefore been entered onto the Strategic Risk Register and plans in the medium term to start replacing the reserves used over the last few years are in place.

- **Capital Programme.** This report details the proposed capital programme for 2016-17 and outlines the potential capital programmes up to 2019-20.
- **Treasury Management Strategy.** This details the financial strategy to support the capital programme. And provides details on the prudential and treasury indicators in compliance with the prudential code.

- 4.3 The Commissioner together with the Chief Constable has agreed to enter into a Strategic Alliance with Leicestershire and Northamptonshire. This alliance will redesign how the service is provided across the 3 counties and deliver significant savings for future budgets. The final business case for this alliance is expected in March 2016 and therefore a revised budget will be presented to this panel in June.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

- 5.1 As detailed within the attached reports.

6. Human Resources Implications

- 6.1 As detailed within the attached reports.

7. Equality Implications

- 7.1 None as a direct result of this report.

8. Risk Management

- 8.1 As identified within the attached reports.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

- 9.1 None. This budget supports all Police and Crime Plan priorities.

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

- 10.1 None

11. Details of outcome of consultation

- 11.1 Details of the consultation in relation to the budget have been summarised in the executive summary of the Precept Report. A full report on consultation of the budget and the Police & Crime Plan is on today's agenda.

12. Appendices

- A – Precept Report 2016-17
- B – Budget Report 2016-17
- C – Medium Term Financial Plan 2016-17 to 2019-20
- D – Reserves Strategy 2016-17
- E – Capital Programme 2016-2020
- F – Treasury Management Strategy 2016-17