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Norfolk Police and Crime Panel

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Dear Commissioner,

**Norfolk Police and Crime Panel – review of proposed precept for 2022/23,
1 February 2022, 11am**

In accordance with Schedule 5 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, I write to confirm the Norfolk Police and Crime Panel's decision regarding your proposed precept for 2022/23.

The Panel voted to support your proposal to increase the policing element of council tax in 2022/23 by 3.59% (an increase of £9.99 per year, which equates to £288.00 for a Band D property).

The Panel supported your proposal on the basis that the maximum increase will allow the Constabulary to maintain its current levels of service in the face of increasing demands as well as tackle the new challenges that it is facing. We noted your commitment to invest additional resources to respond to the growing concerns about violence against women and girls, in particular domestic abuse which is the main cause of rising violent crime throughout the county. This investment will be made in additional specialist officers to investigate sexual offences and domestic abuse and enable a greater focus on supporting victims while bringing perpetrators to justice.

The Panel is confident that by supporting your proposal, the county will continue to receive a high-quality policing service and that communities will be kept safe. We will continue to challenge and support you, to ensure that your commitments to our local communities are delivered.

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On behalf of the Panel, I would like to thank you, your staff and the Chief Constable again for the extensive supporting information provided both before and during the meeting. The full discussion will be recorded in the minutes which will be published in due course.

I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William Richmond". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Councillor William Richmond
Chairman of the Norfolk Police and Crime Panel

Copied to:
Mr M Stokes, OPCCN Chief Executive
Members of the Norfolk Police and Crime Panel