

The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's Formal Response to the Report of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel on its Review of the Commissioner's proposed Fire and Rescue Precept for 2023-24

I would like to thank the Panel for its report dated 8th February 2023 which sets the conclusions of the Panel's review of my proposed precept for 2023-24.

This report is the response I am required to give to the Panel in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. This response is required to be published in a manner which is to be, determined by the Police, Fire and Crime Panel in accordance with schedule 5, paragraph 5(4).

I am grateful to the Panel for its unanimous support for my proposal for an increase in the 2023-24 Council Tax precept Band D level to £73.20 for Fire & Rescue purposes. This represents an increase of 7.3%.

I note the points the Panel made at its meeting; summarised in section 5 of the Panel's report and welcome its unanimous support in relation to increasing the precept by £5.

Following publication of this response I shall approve and issue the precept based on a Band D Council Tax of £73.20.

Stephen Mold

Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner

16th February 2023