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Ms Jo Toomey, Advanced Democratic Services Officer, Nottinghamshire County Council

By email: <u>Jo.Toomey@nottscc.gov.uk</u>

Dear Jo

Response to Panel report and recommendations on proposed precept in accordance with para 5 (2) (b), Schedule 5, Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

I write to acknowledge receipt of the outcome following the Police & Crime Panel's consideration of my proposed precept at the Panel meeting on 7 February 2023.

I thank you for your comments in respect of myself and my office for all the work in supporting the workshop with Panel members, responding to questions in advance of the meeting and the succinct way matters were presented during the Panel meeting itself. This acknowledgement is much appreciated.

I note your comments on the impact of increasing the precept at a time when people are faced with financial pressures, it has not been an easy decision, but on balance it is the right decision to maintain the services in Nottinghamshire. I appreciate the Panel's recognition of the ongoing impact in future years of not maximising the precept. I also welcome the Panel's support in lobbying government for a fairer funding formula.

Thank you for your scrutiny and challenge on the consultation approaches, I will consider how I consult in coming years as a result.

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I note the clarity required when quoting police officer work force numbers, we will ensure this is clear next year.

Regarding the capital programme, this is monitored and reported upon at the Accountability Board, and subsequently to the Panel in the Commissioner's Update Report. This will highlight any concerns to be discussed at the earliest opportunity, along with any remedial action required.

Finally, I wish to record my thanks to the Panel for their scrutiny and support of my proposed precept. I am pleased the proposed increase received majority support which will enable the Chief Constable and I to continue the level of services provided to Nottinghamshire and deliver my Police & Crime Plan.

I am looking forward to the year ahead.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Henry

Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner

