

**Report of the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel
To the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner**

6 February 2017

**WEST MIDLANDS POLICE AND CRIME PANEL REPORT ON THE PROPOSED PRECEPT
2017/2018**

1. Introduction

In accordance with Schedule 5 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 the Panel must review the proposed precept and make a report to the PCC on the proposed Precept.

On 6 February 2016 the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel considered the Commissioner's proposed Precept for 2017/18.

2. Commissioner's Proposed Precept

Subject to confirmation of the final grant figures and the surpluses and deficits on collection funds that the Band D precept for 2017/18 should be set at £116.55; an increase of £5 compared to 2016/17.

3. Panel Members Present

Cllr Ken Hawkins – Solihull (Vice Chair)
Cllr John O'Shea – Birmingham
Cllr Peter DouglasOsborn – Birmingham
Cllr Fiona Williams – Birmingham
Cllr Abdul S Khan – Coventry
Cllr Pervez Akhtar – Coventry
Cllr Cathryn Bayton – Dudley
Cllr Preet Kaur Gill – Sandwell
Cllr Paul Sweet – Wolverhampton
Cllr Wendy Thompson - Wolverhampton
Lionel Walker – Independent Member

4. Panel Decision

To support the PCC's proposal that the Band D precept for 2017/18 should be set at £116.55, an increase of £5 compared to 2016/17. The vote was 9 to 0 in support, with one abstention.

The Panel further agreed that the PCC should carefully consider the costs of policing large events, such as football matches, to ensure full cost recovery (including consequential costs, such as policing the routes to and from a match). Those events that are for profit should be distinguished from public demonstrations.

6. Next Steps

The Panel will publish this report on its website: www.westmidlandspcp.co.uk

The Panel looks forward to the Commissioner's consideration and response to these comments.