

# Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel

## Agenda

1 February 2018

A meeting of the Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel will be held at **Shire Hall, Warwickshire County Council Offices, on Thursday 1 February 2018, at 10:30 a.m.**

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### 1. General

#### (1) Apologies

#### (2) **Members' Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests** Members are required to register their disclosable pecuniary interests within 28 days of their appointment to the Panel. A member attending a meeting where a matter arises in which s/he has a disclosable pecuniary interest must (unless s/he has a dispensation):

- Declare the interest if s/he has not already registered it
- Not participate in any discussion or vote
- Must leave the meeting room until the matter has been dealt with.
- Give written notice of any unregistered interest to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the meeting

Non-pecuniary interests must still be declared in accordance with the Code of Conduct. These should be declared at the commencement of the meeting.

#### (3) **Chair's Announcements**

#### (4) **Minutes of the previous meeting**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2017, including Confidential Appendix 1 at the back of the agenda papers.

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**2. Public Question Time**

Up to 30 minutes of the meeting is available for members of the public to ask questions on any matters relevant to the business of the Police and Crime Panel or the Police and Crime Commissioner. Questioners may ask two questions and can speak for up to three minutes each. Questions should be received at least 3 working days before the meeting. Please send questions to Stefan Robinson, Senior Democratic Services Officer. Contact details are listed at the end of the agenda.

**3. Proposed Local Police Precept 2018/19**

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To consider the Police and Crime Commissioner's proposed precept for 2018/19, and make a report to the Commissioner on the proposals by 8 February 2018.

*Please note, a revised version of this report will be published on 30 January, to take account of the Commissioner's budget report that will be made available on the same date.*

**4. Work Programme 2017/18**

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To consider and review the Panel's work programme.

**5. Dates of Meetings 2017/18**

To note the arrangements for future meetings. All Police and Crime Panel meetings start at 10:30am, unless specified otherwise. The following meetings are scheduled at present:

- Tuesday 27 February – Panel Development (closed session), Shire Hall.
- Monday 19 March 2018 (rescheduled from 26 April 2018) – Stratford DC
- Thursday 21 June 2018 - Shire Hall.
- Thursday 20 September 2018 - Location TBC
- Wednesday 22 November 2018 - Location TBC

**6. Any Urgent Items**

At the discretion of the Chair, items may be raised which are considered urgent (please notify Democratic Services in advance of the meeting).

**7. Report Containing Confidential or Exempt Information**

To consider passing the following resolution: "That members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the items mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Proposed Local Police Precept 2018/19 - Appendix D of Appendix B – Public Comments received in response to the consultation.

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- Minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2017 - Confidential Appendix 1

## 8. Complaints

To consider a verbal update on any complaints received and considered regarding the conduct of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

David Carter  
Joint Managing Director  
Shire Hall  
Warwick

### **Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel Membership**

#### **Councillors:**

Councillor Mark Cargill - Warwickshire County Council  
Councillor Richard Chattaway - Warwickshire County Council  
Councillor Patrick Davey - North Warwickshire Borough Council  
Councillor Nicola Davies - Warwickshire County Council (Chair)  
Councillor Neil Dirveiks - Warwickshire County Council  
Councillor Gwynne Pomfrett - Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council  
Councillor Derek Poole - Rugby Borough Council (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Tony Jefferson – Stratford-on-Avon District Council  
Councillor Andrew Thompson – Warwick District Council  
Councillor Adrian Warwick - Warwickshire County Council

#### **Co-opted Independent Members:**

Bob Malloy  
Andy Davis

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## Minutes of the meeting of the Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel held on 30 November 2017

### Present:

#### Members of the Panel

##### Councillors:

Richard Chattaway	Warwickshire County Council
Mark Cargill	Warwickshire County Council
Patrick Davey	North Warwickshire Borough Council
Nicola Davies	Warwickshire County Council
Neil Dirveiks	Warwickshire County Council
Tony Jefferson	Stratford-on-Avon District Council
Gwynne Pomfrett	Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council
Derek Poole	Rugby Borough Council
Andrew Thompson	Warwick District Council
Adrian Warwick	Warwickshire County Council

##### Independent Members

Andy Davis  
Bob Malloy

##### Warwickshire Police

Chief Constable Martin Jelley  
Chief Inspector Jason Downes  
Helen Roberts, Policy Analyst

##### Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)

Neil Hewison	Chief Executive
Chris Lewis	Policy Officer
Neil Tipton	Head of Media and Communications
Philip Seccombe	Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)
Rob Tromans	Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner (DPCC)

##### Warwickshire County Council Officers

John Betts	Head of Finance
Sarah Duxbury	Head of Law and Governance
Stefan Robinson	Senior Democratic Services Officer

### 1. General

#### 1) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Elizabeth Hall, Treasurer for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC).

#### 2) Members' Disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

There were no disclosures of interest.

### **3) Chair's Announcements**

The Chair, Councillor Davies, thanked the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for inviting her to the launch of the Victims Charter. She also thanked the Chief Constable for her invite to the 160<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Warwickshire Police. Both events were well received and insightful.

### **4) Minutes of the previous meetings held on 14 September 2017**

The Chair explained that the issue of Body Worn Video cameras would be considered at a time when the Panel's work programme permitted. She highlighted that it would be useful to see how the cameras had been received by the public and the Force, and what benefits had been realised.

The Vice-Chair, Councillor Poole, asked whether the PCC had written to the Secretary of State for Justice regarding the early release of burglary offenders, as agreed at the previous meeting. The PCC said he had not done this, and needed more information before approaching the Secretary of State. It was agreed that the OPCC would liaise with Councillor Poole at the next Rugby Community Safety Partnership meeting to take this matter forward.

The public minutes, and exempt minutes, of the meetings held on 14 September 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## **2. Public Question Time**

There were no public questions.

## **3. Chief Constable Update**

The Chair invited the Chief Constable to deliver a presentation to the Panel. Under the terms of section 100A(3) of Part VA of the Local Government Act 1972, the update was presented on confidential terms which forbid the disclosure of the information to the public. The contents of this update can be found in Confidential Appendix 1, for Panel members and support officers who are permitted access.

## **4. Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner**

The PCC introduced his report and explained that he believed PCSOs and SNTs were essential parts of local policing. He did not want to lose any SNTs as part of

the new Alliance Policing Model. He added comment to issues highlighted by the Chief Constable, including:

- The PCC funded the Rural Crime Officers
- Neighbourhood Watch Schemes were important and effective
- Speedwatch Schemes were important and effective
- A Speedwatch campaign will be launched in January 2018
- The sale of Leek Wootton in 2018 would produce several million pounds in capital receipts, and it is currently costing nearly £1m a year to maintain
- The Chief Constable and the PCC have campaigned for fairer funding to the Home Office and the Treasury, and attempted to persuade the Treasury to lift the 1.99% precept cap
- It was the right decision to freeze the level of tax precept last year in order to reduce the Force's financial reserves

The Chair asked whether the PCC was happy with the response he received from the Chief Constable to his challenge letter. The PCC said it was a comprehensive and reasonable response, but there were more questions to ask in relation to burglary dwelling, vehicle and violent offence increases. Andy Davis said that these increases were reflective of the national picture, and questioned whether the PCCs scrutiny would be better focussed on local Cybercrime and Child exploitation offences, which had seen 880% and 711% increases respectively. He also reiterated the need for there to be a public narrative about the changing nature of crime in Warwickshire. The PCC said he was focusing on the crime types that residents told him were of most concern. Neil Hewison added that Warwickshire was leading nationally in its efforts to tackle cybercrime.

Councillor Cargill said it would be useful to receive feedback from the Police on the impact and value of Speedwatch schemes. The PCC said he would consider this in January 2018 when the use of Speedwatch would be reviewed.

The PCC said that on the assumption of a 1.99% rise in the Warwickshire police precept for 2018/19, an additional £800,000 would be generated. The Chair highlighted that there had been an underspend on Police Officer pay, and an overspend on staff pay, and asked how this aligned with the PCC's ambition of protecting the number of frontline officers. The PCC said that any underspends were likely part of savings already being made. In response to further questions, the PCC explained that on the assumption of a 1.99% precept rise next year, the expectation was that the Force would need to lose approximately 70 Police Officers and 130 staff because of budget pressures. The legislation required that a referendum be held if the PCC wanted to raise the precept level above 1.99%. The PCC said that this was not an option because the costs were too high, but he would like the ability to raise the precept above 1.99% if required.

The Chair asked the PCC what his budget consultation plans were, highlighting that some PCCs had already started their public engagement on the matter. Councillor Poole added that the PCC should strengthen his consultation on the precept by consulting wider than parish councils, particularly if he were to raise the precept above 1.99%. He suggested that the PCC should seek the views of a significant sample of the population to ensure that the consultation received diverse and representative feedback.

The PCC said he had done local radio and media releases and he would be looking for support from the Panel in promoting the consultation. Neil Tipton, Head of Media and Communications at the OPCC, added that there would be an online element to the consultation, as well as adverts in the local news media and direct district and county authority engagement. A sound conclusion on the precept proposals could not be made until the Home Office settlement had been announced in December 2017. It may be that the Home Office allow PCCs to raise the precept level above 1.99% without a referendum. He also said that the consultation documents would describe the reality of the situation for local policing.

Sarah Duxbury, Head of Law and Governance, advised that it would not be appropriate for the Panel to express a view on whether to support a potential increase in the precept, without first considering a detailed budget proposal. This was scheduled for consideration on 1 February 2018. Councillors Warwick and Jefferson commented that they could see the potential merit in an increase in the precept should such a proposal be put forward.

Councillor Thompson asked the PCC how much he engaged with other PCCs on a regional basis, given the prevalence of cross-border crime. The PCC said that a Regionally Organised Crime Unit had been established to tackle wider regional issues. He had met with four PCCs regionally on a quarterly basis and liaised with other surrounding forces. Most recently, the Deputy PCC and the PCC met with neighbouring PCCs to discuss a rise in car key burglary.

Commenting on the performance report, the PCC explained that the Fire and Rescue Service were assisting with missing persons investigations, and members asked to receive more detail on this at a future meeting. Bob Malloy highlighted the role of the Warwickshire Search and Rescue group, which assisted the Police in search and rescue operations. The PCC said he would retrieve information on whether his office funded any of their work. The PCC highlighted that emergency response times had dropped and that he had carried out several visits to the control centre to understand how improvements could be made. Councillor Dirveiks advised the Panel that the Planning and Performance Working Group considered the performance report in detail on 16 November 2017. The Chair advised that the next HMICFRS Efficiency Report would be considered by the Planning and Performance Working Group.

## **Resolved**



That the Panel requests an update on the use of Fire and Rescue staff in supporting missing person's investigations.

## **5. Alliance Strategic Transformation Programme**

Chief Inspector Jason Downes, policing lead for the Transformation Programme, provided the Panel with an overview of the Transformation Programme. He said the Programme started in 2015 with the ambition of undertaking a Force wide review and redesign to maximise the effectiveness of the force through technology enabled change. He highlighted the Vision and Values of the Force, as outlined in the 'Looking to 2020' Plan. The vision was to protect people from harm and the values were:

- Listen and engage
- Take pride in our professionalism and standards of behaviour
- Use professional judgement and be courageous in making decisions
- Seek out better ways of working
- Lead with confidence and do the right thing
- Work in partnership to provide the best service we can

The Chief Inspector provided an overview of the Transformation Programme Structure. The Alliance Governance Group was the leading body responsible for overseeing the Transformation programme. The Transformation Board, and three sub-boards, were responsible for managing areas of work within the Programme. Neil Hewison, Warwickshire OPCC Chief Executive, represented the PCC on the Transformation Board.

The Chief Inspector said the new Alliance Policing Model sought to align resources with demand, and it was designed based on evidence to protect core policing and the frontline. The Alliance previously used up to 320 IT applications to manage its work, and it was the role of the Programme to streamline these systems and reduce duplication. Examples of this work included the implementation of Athena, the new Operational Command Centres, and the introduction of smartphones and laptops for agile working. A total of 3095 smartphones and 2623 laptops had been issued to Alliance officers, in addition to 2000 body worn video cameras.

In response to questions, the Chief Inspector clarified that all officers would be able to take witness statements on their laptops or smartphones, saving time in travel back to the office. Bob Malloy asked about Joe O'Sullivan's (Transformation Director) experience in managing this type of work. The Chief Inspector explained that Mr O'Sullivan had previously worked for the Ministry of Defence and had experience of managing transformational change.

Andy Davis asked about the desire for further technological change, beyond that already planned. The Chief Inspector said that it may be possible to use video conferencing software to allow witnesses to provide statements, or for training

courses and briefings to be delivered online. Councillor Warwick asked how vulnerable the new IT systems would be to cyber-attacks and the Chief Inspector said that all police networks were nationally approved and secure.

The Chair asked how the PCC would measure the performance and success of the Transformation Programme. The PCC said he would judge success based on the results of the quarterly performance report and victim satisfaction. In response to further questions, he added that the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) software was prioritised for terrorist and serious organised crime matters.

## **6. Road safety and traffic incidents**

Helen Roberts, Alliance Business Analyst for the Road Safety Partnership, provided the Panel with an overview of the number of people Killed and Seriously Injured (KSI) on Warwickshire's roads. She said that risk taking behaviours on the road are rising, and that some people believe there is more to be gained from driving dangerously than safely. She explained that there were several recording systems to monitor the number of KSIs, and the number of KSIs in Warwickshire had risen 26% in the last 5 years. Both Warwickshire and West Mercia underreported KSIs, and in 2017, there were 12 fatal collisions where the victim was not blameworthy (33 total).

Helen showed the Panel various tables, charts and maps to illustrate Warwickshire's road network, and where collisions took place. She highlighted that 68% of casualties and 74% of speeders were not Warwickshire residents. Poor driving and bad decisions were the reason for the majority of collisions. In response to a question about the public availability of data, Helen clarified that KSI and speeding data was available on the Warwickshire Police website.

The likelihood of a positive breath test at the roadside was 12%, and there had been no change in the number of drink driving offences recorded between 2010 and 2015. During targeted drink drive campaigns, such as over the Christmas period, increased enforcement and awareness of enforcement positively correlated with a decline in drink driving offences.

Helen concluded that enforcement levels had been relatively stable, and therefore the rise in KSIs was likely attributable to a rise in risk taking behaviours. She concluded that the reasons for an increase included:

- A change in social norms
- Conditions allow it
- People running late in congestion
- Peer pressure
- The context of different responsibilities and different life stages
- A 'Collisions happen to others and not me' attitude

She highlighted that the Alliance had experienced year on year increases in KSI casualties, and that enforcement activity had been shown to encourage compliance. The use of technology could mean increased efficiencies, but there was room for improvement in the accuracy and timing of data recording.

Councillor Cargill asked why there had been a 2% increase nationally in cycle deaths. Helen said this could be attributed to a number of factors including increased vehicle miles travelled, increased cycling or because of the increase in risk taking behaviours.

Bob Malloy asked whether there were any funding issues stopping the full use of static speed cameras, and said the data on Warwickshire County Council's (WCC) website was out of date. He said that some cameras show there were no speeding convictions over the course of a year. Helen explained that since 2013, there had been no way of measuring prosecutions per camera. It was clarified that not every speed camera housing unit contained a camera, and that the cameras were rotated to different housing units based on risk priorities. However, some cameras genuinely recorded no speeding offences in some years. The cost of a speed camera, without the housing, was approximately £37,000.

Councillor Pomfrett said he was surprised at the social acceptance of risk, and other members agreed that cultural attitudes towards drink driving seemed to be more relaxed than in previous years. Helen said that risk taking behaviours were prevalent in different social groups and that some people felt it was optional to obey the Highway Code.

The Chair asked what actions the PCC was taking to address the rise in KSIs. The PCC said that he had visited a number of different driving courses and was going to be involved with a new driving campaign in January 2018. Chris Lewis, OPCC Policy Officer, added that WCC's Road Safety Team had downsized in recent years, but they were still delivering road safety education in schools.

## **Resolved**

That the Panel requests the PCC to provide an update in approximately six months on the work he has undertaken to bring together partners to address the rise in KSIs.

## **7. Report of the Planning and Performance Working Group**

Bob Malloy, Chair of the Planning and Performance Working Group, provided the Panel with an overview of the Group's findings at their meeting on 16 November 2017. He said that despite changes in recording practices, there were clearly increases in actual instances of crime. He also highlighted that there had been a decline in outcomes performance and the amount of offences given an 'actions

taken' marker. The report highlighted that this was particularly concerning in relation to rape offences. Finally, Bob said the Group would be interested to see how the issues of rising crime and tighter financial pressures would be communicated to the general public. The Group recommended that the Panel consider the new Alliance Policing Model in 2018.

### **Resolved**

That the Police and Crime Panel includes the Alliance Policing Model' in its Work Programme for 2018, at a date to be confirmed following consultation with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

## **8. Report of the Budget Working Group**

Councillor Warwick, Chair of the Budget Working Group, introduced this report. He explained that the Group had considered various sensitive and restricted aspects of the Quarter 2 Force Finance Report, and that much of this could not be disclosed publically under the relevant legislation (Section 100A(3) of Part VA of the Local Government Act 1972). However, he explained that the budget was on target and thanked Elizabeth Hall, OPCC Treasurer, for being open and transparent at their meeting.

## **9. Work Programme 2017/18**

The Work Programme was noted as tabled, including the addition of the Alliance Policing Model as outlined under item 7.

## **10. Dates of Meetings 2017-18**

The Chair invited the Panel to take note of the future meeting dates:

- Friday 19 January 2018 - Precept Briefing (closed session), Shire Hall (10:30am)
- Thursday 1 February 2018 - Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall.
- Tuesday 27 February – Panel Development (closed session), Shire Hall.
- Monday 19 March 2018 (rescheduled from 26 April 2018) – Stratford District Council Offices
- Thursday 21 June 2018 - Location to be confirmed
- Thursday 20 September 2018 - Location to be confirmed
- Wednesday 22 November 2018 - Location to be confirmed

**11. Any Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items.

**12. Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information**

There was no requirement for the Panel to move into private session.

**13. Complaints**

There were no updates to consider.

The meeting rose at 1:17pm

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Chair



## Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel

1 February 2018

### Proposed Local Police Precept 2018/19

#### Recommendations

That the Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel:

- 1) Considers the proposed Local Police Precept for 2018/19
- 2) Provides a report to the Police and Crime Commissioner on the proposed precept, including any recommendations, outlining whether it vetoes the precept or not.

#### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 Each police force area raises extra money to pay for policing activity through council tax. This is called the police precept and is included in every council tax bill. The police precept represents about 42% of overall funding to Warwickshire Police, with the rest coming from Central Government. The level of police precept is set locally every year (in February) by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC).
- 1.2 On 19 December 2017, the Home Office announced that Police and Crime Commissioners would be able to raise the local precept level by a maximum of £12 per Band D property per year, without a referendum. This represents an end to the previous 2% cap that was in place. The current cost for a Band D property in 2017/18 is £191.98. The Warwickshire PCC Philip Secombe has indicated that he intends to raise the Precept, but will not finalise his proposal until 30 January 2018, pending further consultation with other stakeholders. A copy of this report will be reissued and published on the WCC webpage when the Panel receives the PCC's budget report.
- 1.3 Under to provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the Police and Crime Panel ('the Panel') has a statutory role to review the PCC's proposed precept level and formally respond to it. The Panel is required to submit a formal response to the PCC no later than 8 February 2018. This response will be in the form of a published report from the Chair, on behalf of the Panel, together with the accompanying draft minutes from the 1 February 2018 meeting.
- 1.4 The legislation only requires that the Panel 'respond' to the proposed precept – there is no stipulation that the Panel has to either support the precept or veto it; therefore, the Panel can choose to only comment on the proposal if it wishes.

## 2.0 Consultation

2.1 Following the announcement made by the Home Office, the Warwickshire PCC has consulted residents on three options for increasing the police precept by amounts of £12, £10 or £8 per year on an average Band D property in the county. The three options were as follows:-

- **Option 1** – increase the police precept by £12 per year (on a Band D property). This equates to a rise of 6.25% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay an extra £1 per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 33 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.
- **Option 2** – increase the police precept by £10 per year (on a Band D property). This equates to a rise of 5.21% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay around an extra 83 pence per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 25 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.
- **Option 3** – increase the police precept by £8 per year (on a Band D property). This equates to a rise of 4.17% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay around an extra 67 pence per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 18 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.

2.2 As of 19 January 2018, the consultation had received 1,501 responses.

## 3.0 In the event of a veto

2.1 The Panel has the option to veto the precept by a two thirds majority of the total Panel membership (eight members). If that should happen, then the Panel must give a reason for the veto and state whether the precept is too low or too high. The Commissioner must then prepare a revised precept for Panel's review by 15 February, as follows:

- If the veto is “too high”, the revised precept shall be lower than the proposed precept.
- If the veto is “too low”, the revised precept shall be higher than the proposed precept.

2.2 The new proposal will then be considered at the reserve Panel meeting scheduled for 16 February 2018. The Panel has no power to veto the second proposal, but must formally respond to the PCC by 22 February 2018. On receiving the Panel's second report the PCC shall, by 1 March 2018:

- Have regard to the second report (including any recommendations);
- Provide the Panel with a response to the report; and
- Publish the response.

2.3 The PCC will then issue his precept.



### 3.0 Appendices

- 3.1 Appendix A - Guidance on the process for considering the precept.  
Appendix B – Precept Consultation Summary (*please note Appendix D of this attachment is exempt under the terms of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972*).  
Appendix C – The Police and Crime Commissioner’s Budget Report 2018/19 (*To be published on 30 January 2018*).

### 4.0 Background Papers

- 4.1 None.

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## Police and Crime Panels – Scrutiny of Precepts

This guidance note explains the process for the police and crime panel's (PCP) scrutiny of the police and crime commissioner's (PCC) proposed precept and should be read alongside:

- Schedule 5 of the [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011](#) ("the Act")
- Part 2 of the [Police and Crime Panels \(Precepts and Chief Constable Appointments\) Regulations 2012](#) ("the Regulations")

A separate [guidance note setting out the scrutiny of chief constable appointments](#) has been published alongside this guidance note.

### **Background**

Schedule 5 of the Act sets out the process for issuing a precept, including the panel's role in reviewing the proposed precept, their power to veto the precept and the steps to be taken if they do veto the proposed precept.

The Regulations provide greater detail to the Act, including time limits applicable to the stages of the process and the process for reviewing and issuing a revised precept.

### **Schedule 5** requires:

- the PCC to notify the panel of his/her proposed precept;
- the panel to review the proposed precept;
- the panel to make a report to the PCC on the proposed precept (this may include recommendations);
- the panel's report (if they veto the proposed precept) to include a statement that they have vetoed it;
- a decision of veto to be agreed by two-thirds of the panel members;
- the PCC to have regard to the report made by the panel (including any recommendations in the report);
- the PCC to give the panel a response to their report (and any such recommendations);
- the PCC to publish the response.

It is for the panel to determine how a response to a report or recommendations is to be published.

If there is no veto and the PCC has published his/her response to the panel's report, the PCC may then issue the proposed precept - or a different precept (but only if in accordance with a recommendation in the panel's report to do so).

### **The Regulations** require:

- the PCC to notify the panel of his/her proposed precept **by 1 February**;
- the panel to review and make a report to the PCC on the proposed precept (whether it vetoes the precept or not) **by 8 February**;
- where the panel vetoes the precept, the PCC to have regard to and respond to the Panel's report, and publish his/her response, including the revised precept, **by 15 February**;

- the panel, on receipt of a response from the PCC notifying them of his/her revised precept, to review the revised precept and make a second report to the PCC **by 22 February**;
- the PCC to have regard to and respond to the Panel's second report and publish his/her response, **by 1 March**.

### **Panel's report on the proposed precept**

If the panel fails to report to the PCC by 8 February the scrutiny process comes to an end, even if the panel have voted to veto the proposed precept, and the PCC may issue the proposed precept.

### **PCC's response to a veto**

Where the panel vetoes the proposed precept, the PCC must have regard to the report made by the panel, give the panel a response to the report and publish the response, by 15 February. In his/her response, the PCC must notify the panel of the revised precept that he intends to issue.

Where the panel's report indicates that they vetoed the precept because it was:

- too **high**, the revised precept must be lower than the previously proposed precept.
- too **low**, the revised precept must be higher than the previously proposed precept.

The PCP may only veto the first proposed precept. Such a veto must be agreed by two-thirds of PCP members (the full membership rather than those present at a meeting). Where a veto occurs, the report to the PCC must include a statement to that effect.

### **Panel's review of the revised precept**

On receipt of a response from the PCC notifying them of the revised precept proposal, the panel must review the revised precept proposal and make a second report to the PCC on the revised precept by 22 February. This report may:

- indicate whether the panel accepts or rejects the revised precept (although rejection does not prevent the PCC from issuing the revised precept); and
- make recommendations, including recommendations on the precept that should be issued.

If the panel fails to make a second report to the PCC by 22 February, the PCC may issue the revised precept.

### **Issuing the precept**

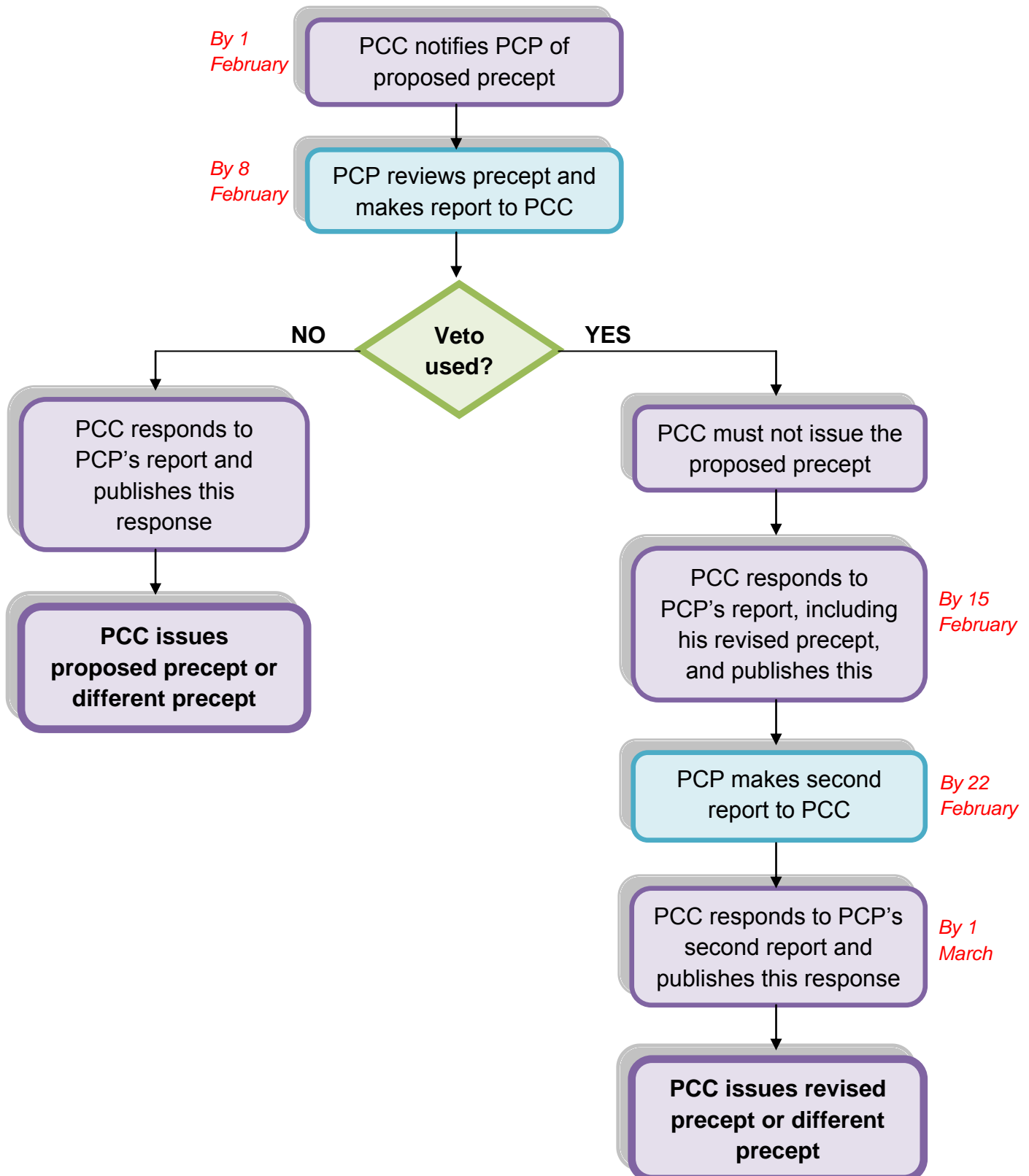
Excluding where the panel fails to report on the proposed precept by 8 February or make a second report on the revised precept by 22 February, the scrutiny process ends when the PCC gives the panel his/her response to their second report.

The PCC may then:

- issue the revised precept; or
- issue a different precept, although:

- they must not issue a precept that is higher than the revised precept if the revised precept was lowered following the panel's initial report on the first proposed precept indicating it was vetoed because it was too high;
- they must not issue a precept which is lower than the revised precept if the revised precept was raised following the panel's initial report on the first proposed precept indicating it was vetoed because it was too low.

**Process for PCP scrutiny of PCC's proposed precept**







Philip Seccombe  
Police and Crime  
Commissioner  
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# 2018/19 Precept Consultation Summary

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*Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire*

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# Precept Consultation 2018/19 Summary

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## Precept Consultation 2018/19 Summary

The Police and Crime Commissioner launched his precept consultation on Friday 22 December 2017 following receipt of the Government's police funding settlement on December 19. The consultation ended on Friday 19 January 2018 – a total time of four weeks. A precept proposal summary guide (**Appendix A**) and explanatory info about Council Tax (**Appendix B**), including frequently asked questions, were published on the OPCC website alongside a short online survey, enabling people to comment on the proposals being put forward.

Three options were presented for public feedback:

- Option 1 – a rise of 6.25% (equivalent to £12 per year on a Band D property)
- Option 2 – a rise of 5.21% (equivalent to £10 per year on a Band D property)
- Option 3 – a rise of 4.17% (equivalent to £8 per year on a Band D property)

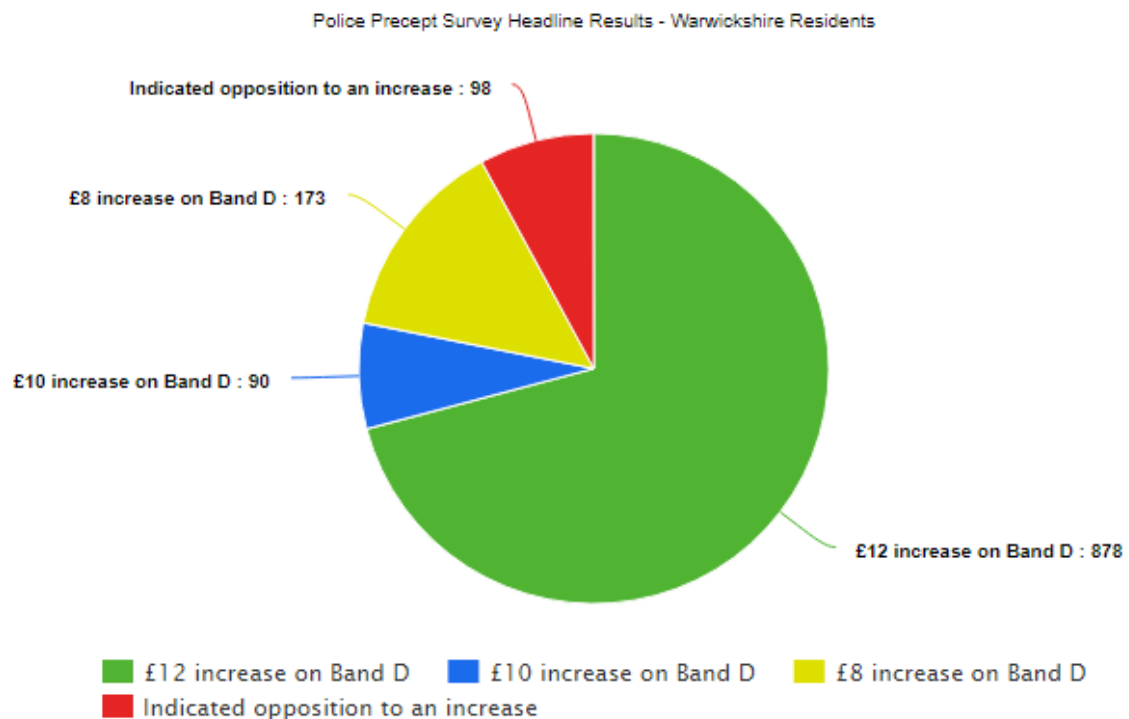
While there was no formal option to oppose an increase, account was taken of people's additional comments when compiling the final results. Consultation meetings were also held with key partners, local authorities and the business community, while comments were also received via email, post and through social media.

## 1.0 Headline result

At its close on Friday 19 January, the online survey had received 1,501 responses, with 1,349 of those responding identifying as being residents of Warwickshire.

This is the highest return for a precept consultation undertaken the OPCC (previous high marks were 447 responses in 2017 and 1,026 in 2016). It is considered to be a statistically significant sample for the population of Warwickshire.

Of those Warwickshire residents who responded and indicated a preference:



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	70.9 %	878
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	7.3%	90
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	14.0%	173
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	7.9%	98
<b>Total: 1,239*</b>		

\*110 respondents from Warwickshire failed to complete the survey, so did not indicate a preference for an option.

## 2.0 Summary of publicity

A range of communication tools were used to promote the online precept consultation to communities across Warwickshire. These included:

- Posting full details of the consultation on the OPCC website, including prominent links from the home page;
- Media releases at the start and end of the consultation. These achieved coverage in newspapers across the county, including articles in the:
  - Stratford Herald (including a front page lead on the Midweek Herald)
  - Leamington/Stratford/Rugby Observer (including a front page lead on the Rugby Advertiser)
  - Nuneaton News / Coventry Telegraph
  - Leamington/Warwick Courier, Kenilworth Weekly News, Rugby Advertiser
  - Redditch and Alcester Standard
  - Banbury Guardian

This included a mix of print and online articles;

- Social media – regular postings were made throughout the consultation to encourage residents to take part. Paid advertising was also placed on Facebook and Twitter to increase the reach of these social media messages to users in Warwickshire:
  - Facebook posts reached a total of 48,697 users and resulted in 586 clicks through to the survey, 70 comments and 76 post shares;
  - Twitter tweets and promoted tweets reached: 40,777 users, resulting in 1,078 clicks through to the survey, 4 comments and 13 re-tweets;
- The Commissioner's email newsletter featured the consultation prominently in a December extra issue at the consultation launch and again in the January edition resulting in:
  - 1711 subscribers being reached, with 112 clicks through to the survey;
- Warwickshire Police's Community Messaging System was used to promote the consultation to subscribers;
- Neighbourhood Watch groups;
- Internal force communications.

### 3.0 Online consultation survey results in detail

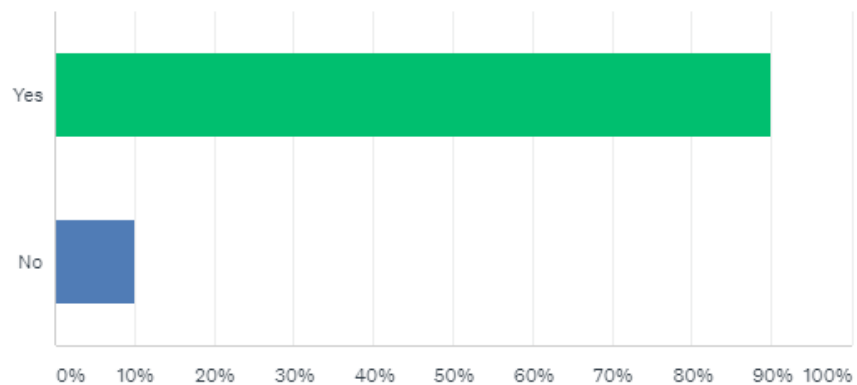
An online survey was used to ascertain views on the Commissioner’s precept proposals. Three options for raises of £12, £10 and £8 (on a Band D average property) were offered, along with a free text area for further public comment.

Respondents were asked to indicate whether they were residents of Warwickshire and, if so, which district they lived in. The results were as follows:

#### Q1

Are you a resident of Warwickshire?

Answered: 1,501 Skipped: 0



Answer choice	Result	
Yes	89.87%	1,349
No	10.13%	152
		<b>Total : 1,501</b>

For the purposes of the Commissioner’s decision making on the precept, the results are shown in the section below for those that indicated they were Warwickshire residents only.

A full breakdown of statistics for those outside of Warwickshire and for each district area is included within **Appendix C** for completeness and full transparency.

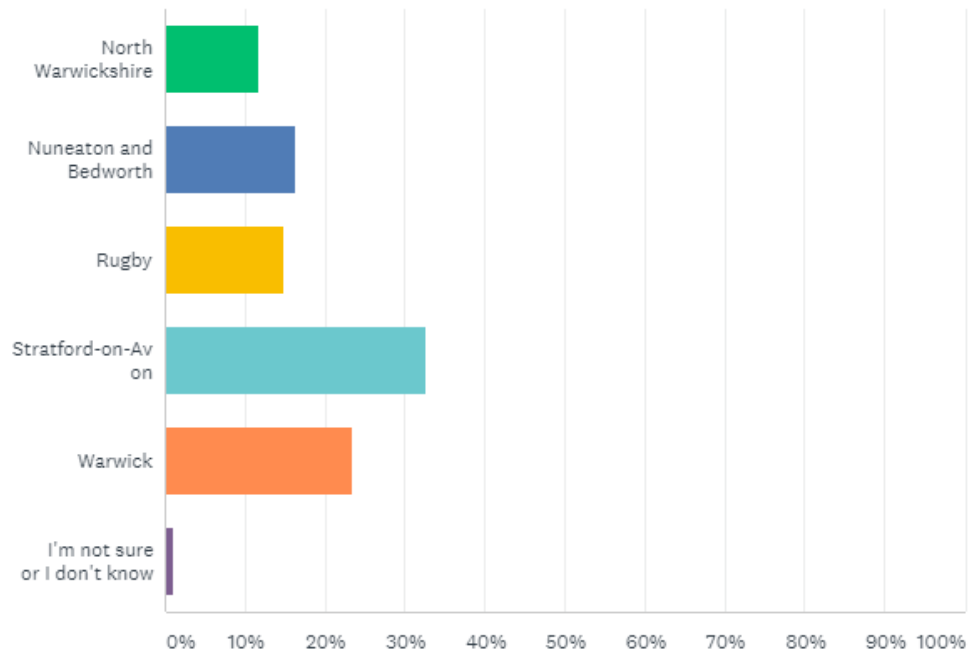
### 3.1 Warwickshire residents' response data

Residents were asked to state in which district area they lived. A 'not sure/do not know' option was also provided for completeness.

Q2

Which district do you live in?

Answered: 1,341 Skipped: 8



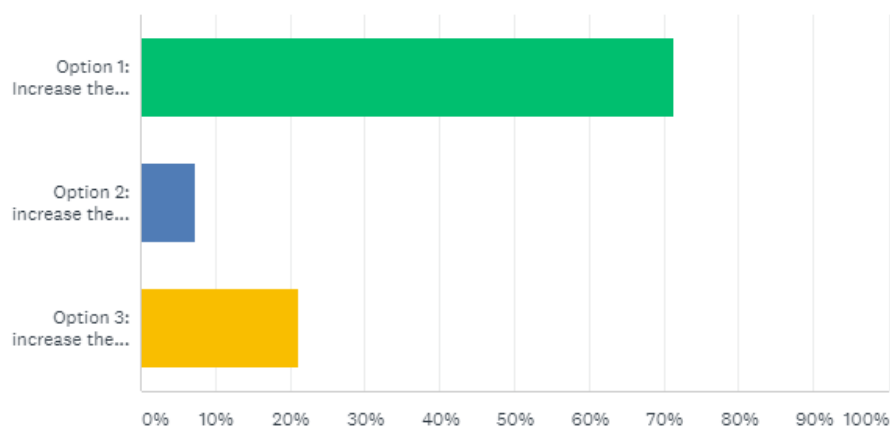
Answer	Result	
North Warwickshire	11.86%	156
Nuneaton and Bedworth	16.26%	218
Rugby	14.84%	199
Stratford-on-Avon	32.66%	438
Warwick	23.49%	315
I'm not sure or I don't know	1.12%	15
		<b>Total: 1,341*</b>

\* 8 respondents skipped this question

### Q3

Please select your preferred option below (please choose only one):

Answered: 1,239 Skipped: 110



Answer choice	Result	
<b>Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D)</b>	71.35%	884
<b>Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D)</b>	7.43%	92
<b>Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D)</b>	21.23%	263
		<b>Total : 1,239*</b>

\* 110 respondents skipped this question

### 3.2 Comments received

The final section of the survey included a free text area which allowed people to give additional feedback on the proposed options. A total of 468 comments were left by Warwickshire residents. While many comments were positive or general in nature, a number of clear themes emerged:

- Funds should ensure police visibility is boosted (15.60%)
- Central government should provide additional funding, not local taxpayers (9.40%)
- The increase should be spent on frontline policing only (5.34%)
- Funds should ensure a boost to policing in North Warwickshire (5.13%)
- Funds should be used to boost policing in rural areas (5.13%)
- The PCC post should be scrapped and funds redistributed (4.06%)

A further 864 respondents ended the survey with no further comment.

A full listing of all comments received can be found at **Appendix D**. A small number of responses have been redacted to remove personal data where respondents included their names or email addresses within the free text.

### 3.3 Moderated final data

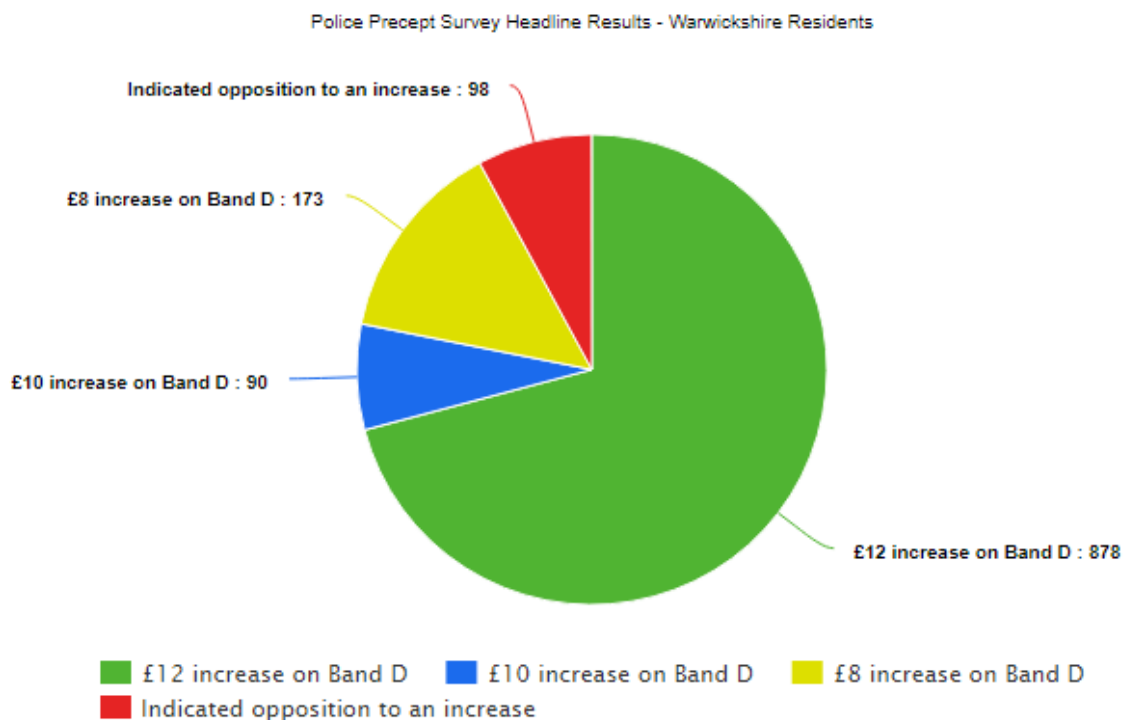
Detailed analysis of the comments revealed a number of respondents from Warwickshire who did not support a raise but had voted in order to be able to make a comment to this effect. In order to ensure that the poll gave a fair reflection of the true view of respondents, the totals for each option have been moderated to take account of this.

Comments which stated objection to an increase outright or where it could be clearly inferred that this was the case were subject to further analysis. How each person had voted was noted and the relevant totals were as follows:

- Would have voted 'no' if possible but chose Option 1 – 6 respondents
- Would have voted 'no' if possible but chose Option 2 – 2 respondents
- Would have voted 'no' if possible but chose Option 3 – 90 respondents

These totals were then subtracted from the overall totals of responses for Warwickshire residents and the percentages adjusted to include the 'no raise' opinions. This is the data set presented in the headline summary.

For ease of reference, the final totals were:



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A further 110 people failed to complete the survey before choosing an option but no inference has been drawn from this. There could be many reasons for not completing the survey and it is not possible to accurately deduce what these may have been.

## **4.0 Additional responses**

### **4.1 Email/social media comments**

A number of additional comments were received by email and social media.

Not all comments received via social media were directly relevant to the consultation. Some related to other matters, were more general opinions about policing or were in response to other people's comments. These have been excluded from this report, although all social media platforms are monitored and, where appropriate, comments are responded to.

A full listing of comments relevant to the consultation are provided in **Appendix D**.

### **4.2 Face-to-face consultation**

In addition to the online survey, the Commissioner and Treasurer offered to consult formally with county MPs, local authorities and key partners across the county to discuss the precept and the overall budget for Warwickshire Police.

Those following indicated they wished to be consulted and were visited in December 2017 and January 2018:

- Stratford-on-Avon District Council
- Jeremy Wright MP
- Rugby Borough Council
- North Warwickshire Borough Council
- Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council
- Warwickshire County Council
- Police Superintendents' Association
- Police Federation
- Unison
- Federation of Small Businesses
- NFU
- Country Landowners Association

In addition, the Commissioner spoke at a number of public events and Community Forums and explained the precept proposals and canvassed responses. Detailed discussions were also undertaken with the Chief Constable to determine the final budget proposal.



#### **4.0 Commissioner's response to the consultation**

*To follow once further face-to-face consultations have been completed.*

# Police Budget 2018/19 Consultation



Philip Secombe  
Police and Crime  
Commissioner  
for Warwickshire



## Dear Warwickshire resident

As your Police and Crime Commissioner, it is my job to set the budget for Warwickshire Police for the next financial year and, with it, the amount you contribute through your council tax for policing services in the county.

Funding for police forces is made up of grants from central government and an amount raised locally from the council tax, known as the police precept. In Warwickshire, around 58% of the police budget is funded by central government, with your council tax making up the rest.

I know that these are difficult financial times for many of you and that's why I want to give all Warwickshire residents the chance to have your say, before I set the budget. I want to know how much you feel we should pay more per household to ensure that our police continue to have the right technology, training and officers to protect communities and deal with the changing nature of crime.

*Please spare a few moments to read the information which follows and then go online to give me your views.*

The survey can be completed at [www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey](http://www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey) or alternatively you can send me your views by email to [opcc@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:opcc@warwickshire.gov.uk). You can also fill in the form at the back of this pack and post your views to: Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, 3 Northgate Street, Warwick CV34 4SP.

**The consultation will close on Friday January 19, 2018.**



## A message from your PCC

Since becoming Police and Crime Commissioner in May 2016, I have become increasingly aware of the challenging situation policing is in. Recorded crime is increasing, while the resources available to investigate and bring offenders to justice and protect communities from harm have become ever scarcer.

While I have been able to maintain overall police officer numbers since taking office, it nevertheless remains the case that we now have 21% fewer officers than we did 10 years ago. As a result, Warwickshire has among the lowest ratios of police officers per head of population in the country and those officers we do have are now dealing with much bigger workloads.

In common with the national picture, recorded crime has increased in Warwickshire—up by 24% in the last year alone. Our increasingly global and technological world means these are also often more complex and time-consuming to investigate, creating additional pressures on the force.

Last year I was able to freeze the police precept—the portion of your council tax that pays for policing—while using funding from reserves to ensure that the Chief Constable had the resources he needed to keep communities safe, ensure that frontline policing remained a priority and that Safer Neighbourhood Teams formed the bedrock of policing in the county. Of course, financial reserves can only be spent once and this option cannot be sustained in the longer term, though I am proposing to invest a further £3.8 million from reserves to support the force budget in 2018/19.

Costs continue to rise through inflation and there remains increased pressure on operational



policing through the rising demand for services. Despite the major transformations happening within our force, which have raised efficiency and been recognised by our external inspectors as 'ambitious and innovative', the simple reality is that the police require more funding just to maintain current service levels. This means I am not in a position to be able to freeze the police precept once again. To do so would leave the force with a significant shortfall in funding and some very unpalatable decisions to make over a reduced level of service to the public.

Over the past 12 months I have been making this position clear to central government, arguing the case that policing needs more funding if it is to continue keeping the public safe and maintaining law and order satisfactorily. I am



pleased to report that the ministers have listened to these representations. Alongside additional funding for counter terrorism, national policing priorities and projects to support the transformation of policing, the Government has given Police and Crime Commissioners the flexibility needed to raise extra money through council tax.

We have been given a static settlement for the financial year ahead, with the amount we receive from central government remaining the same as in 2017/18 in real terms. As I have stated previously, however, this will not be sufficient on its own to maintain the levels of service you expect while continuing to modernise the force. I am therefore proposing to increase the police precept for 2018/19, in order to protect frontline policing and ensure that I can deliver a safer and more secure Warwickshire.

Where previously I could raise the police precept by up to a maximum of 2%, the Government has now given me the greater flexibility to set an increase of up to £12 per year on an average Band D property. That added pound a month would equate in Warwickshire to a 6.25% increase over 2017/18 funding levels and could help to raise around £1.7 million. Taking into account the amount we also receive from central government, this would mean a total of £2.9 million is then available to invest in frontline policing services.

Even with this boost to funding, Warwickshire Police will still need to continue making efficiency savings in order to provide a balanced budget, with the amounts raised through the police precept helping to offset losses in staffing that might otherwise occur. I will continue to ensure that public money is used efficiently and responsibly. Equally, I will ensure that the additional money that is raised is used directly to fund police officers, while also leaving a secure and viable financial future for the force.

I remain conscious however, that these remain challenging financial times for many of you and so I want to hear your views before I make a final decision on the level of the precept early in the New Year. I have put forward options for different levels of increase of the police precept, outlining the consequences for each and I am keen to get feedback from a wide spectrum across the county.

Please take the time to carefully read the proposals and the supporting information before taking the survey. I look forward to hearing from you between now and Friday 19 December.

**Philip Seccombe TD**

Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire



## Consultation options

Each of the options being consulted on include an investment of £3.8 million from reserves and will continue to require the force to make efficiency savings in order to provide a balanced budget.

### **OPTION 1: INCREASE THE POLICE PRECEPT BY £12 PER YEAR (BAND D)**

This equates to a rise of 6.25% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay an extra £1 per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 33 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.

### **OPTION 2: INCREASE THE POLICE PRECEPT BY £10 PER YEAR (BAND D)**

This equates to a rise of 5.21% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay around an extra 83 pence per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 25 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.

### **OPTION 3: INCREASE THE POLICE PRECEPT BY £8 PER YEAR (BAND D)**

This equates to a rise of 4.17% and would mean a Band D taxpayer would pay around an extra 67 pence per month. This funding option would mean the force could retain around 18 police officer posts that might otherwise have been lost.

### **Why is there no option to freeze council tax?**

As I have stated, costs continue to rise through inflation and there remains increased pressure on operational policing through the rising demand for services. Freezing the precept would leave the force with the need to save £5.7 million and this would lead to very difficult decisions around officer numbers and reduced levels of service to the public. It is not therefore an option that I consider is viable or would wish to consider.



The table below shows what each Council Tax band would pay for each of the options:-

	2017/18	Proposed 2018/19		Proposed 2018/19		Proposed 2018/19	
		£8 increase		£10 increase		£12 Increase	
	Actual charge (£)	Increase (£)	Actual charge (£)	Increase (£)	Actual charge (£)	Increase (£)	Actual charge (£)
Band A	127.99	5.33	133.32	6.67	134.65	8.00	135.99
Band B	149.32	6.22	155.54	7.78	157.10	9.33	158.65
Band C	170.65	7.11	177.76	8.89	179.54	10.67	181.32
Band D	191.98	8.00	199.98	10.00	201.98	12.00	203.98
Band E	234.64	9.78	244.42	12.22	246.86	14.67	249.31
Band F	277.30	11.56	288.86	14.44	291.75	17.33	294.64
Band G	319.97	13.33	333.30	16.67	336.63	20.00	339.97
Band H	383.96	16.00	399.96	20.00	403.96	24.00	407.96

You can check your council tax band at: [www.gov.uk/council-tax-bands](http://www.gov.uk/council-tax-bands)

## Having considered the information from the PCC, which of the options would you support?



The consultation can be completed online at [www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey](http://www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey)

Alternatively, state your preference below (tick one):

- Option 1—a £12 increase (Band D)
- Option 2—a £10 increase (Band D)
- Option 3—a £8 increase (Band D)

Which district of Warwickshire do you live in?

- North Warwickshire
- Nuneaton & Bedworth
- Rugby
- Stratford-on-Avon
- Warwick

Any other comments

Please cut out and send your completed survey to: Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, 3 Northgate Street, Warwick, CV34 4SP to arrive no later than **Friday 19 January 2018**.



# Council Tax and the Police Precept

## Your Questions Answered

*We know that Council Tax can be confusing—so here are some answers to frequently asked questions.*

### Q: What is Council Tax?

A: Council Tax is a local charge which pays towards the cost of services, including the police. The Council Tax year runs from 1 April to 31 March and how much you pay depends on which band your house is in. Each band is calculated as a proportion of band D.

You can check your band at: [www.gov.uk/council-tax-bands](http://www.gov.uk/council-tax-bands)

### Q: What is the Police Precept?

A: This is the portion of a Council Tax bill that is put towards paying for policing services locally. On Council Tax notices it may be marked as being for the Police and Crime Commissioner, who sets the budget for the police. The majority of the precept is used directly for the Warwickshire Police budget, with a small portion used to pay for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

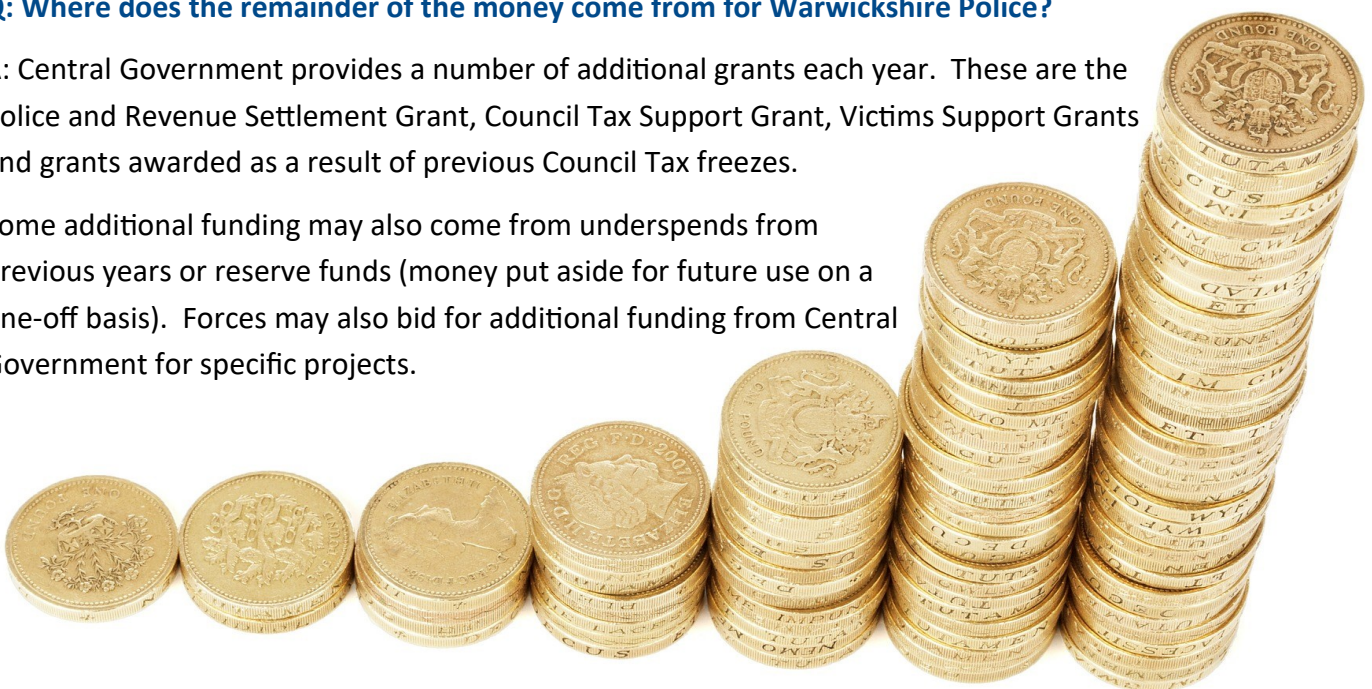
### Q: How much money does the Police Precept contribute to Warwickshire Police each year?

A: The precept for 2018/19 will raise approximately £ 41.8 million – around 42% of the net funding for Warwickshire Police. This assumes the PCC increases the precept by the maximum of £12 for a Band D property. He is also consulting on smaller increases of £10 and £8.

### Q: Where does the remainder of the money come from for Warwickshire Police?

A: Central Government provides a number of additional grants each year. These are the Police and Revenue Settlement Grant, Council Tax Support Grant, Victims Support Grants and grants awarded as a result of previous Council Tax freezes.

Some additional funding may also come from underspends from previous years or reserve funds (money put aside for future use on a one-off basis). Forces may also bid for additional funding from Central Government for specific projects.



**Q: How much can the Commissioner alter the level of the Police Precept?**

A: The Commissioner can vary the level of the Police Precept by up to £12 on a Band D property. In Warwickshire this equates to an increase of 6.25%. Any proposed change above this figure would require a local referendum to take place with voters backing the proposal before it could be enacted. The Commissioner is not proposing to go to referendum.

**Q. If the Police Precept is increased by the maximum amount in Warwickshire for 2018/19, what will I pay?**

A. If the maximum allowable increase is applied, the Police Precept for each property band will be as follows:

- Band A: £135.99
- Band B: £158.65
- Band C: £181.32
- Band D: £203.98
- Band E: £249.31
- Band F: £294.64
- Band G: £339.97
- Band H: £407.96

**Q: How much of the money raised goes towards the Office of the Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner?**

A: Around 2.7% of the total police budget is allocated to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. The majority of this allocation (approximately £1.6 million) relates to the funding for victims' support services and the Commissioner's Grants Scheme, which supports projects in the community which deliver against the priorities of the Police and Crime Plan. The costs of running the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (c. £980,000) remain lower than those of the Police Authority which it replaced (when inflation is taken into account).

**Q: Is police funding changing?**

A: The Government is continuing to review changes to the Police Settlement Grant ahead of the next spending review, though this will not apply to the 2018/19 or 2019/20 budgets. The Commissioner will make representations at national, regional and local levels to ensure Warwickshire will receive a fair funding settlement in future years.

**Q: How can I have my say?**

A: The Commissioner is consulting the public on his proposals for the Police Precept for 2018/19. Visit [www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey](http://www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk/preceptsurvey) for more information and to have your say.

*"A safer, more secure Warwickshire"*



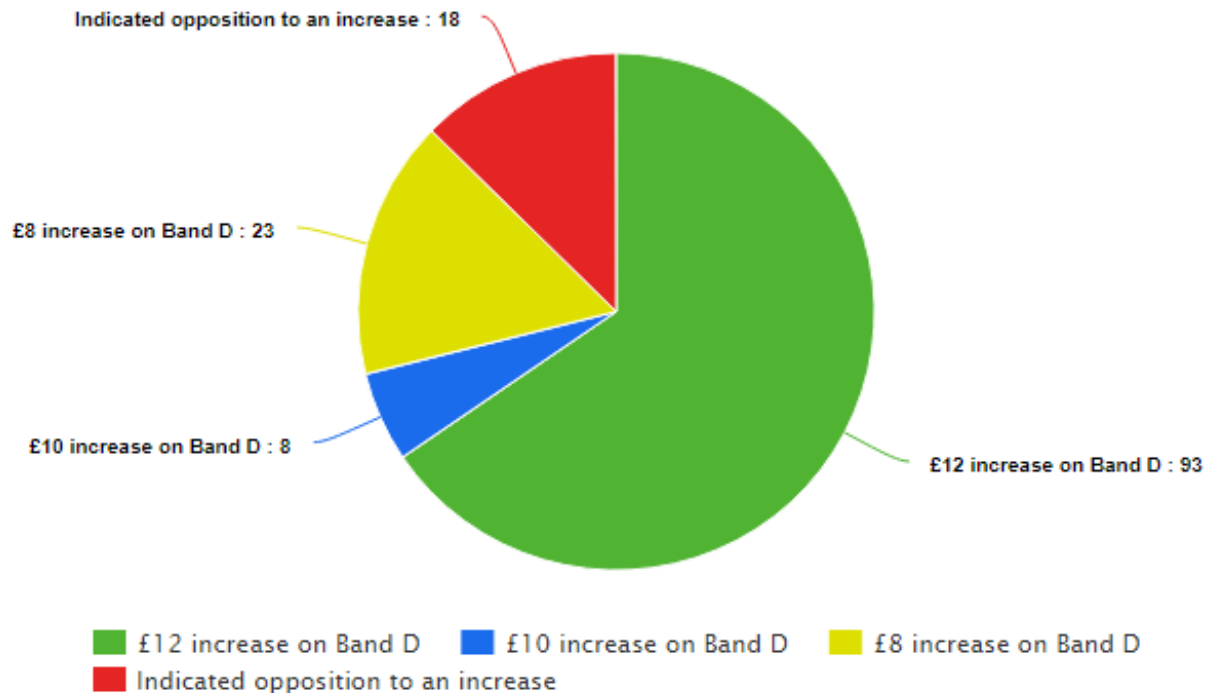
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## Appendix C: Statistical breakdown by district

Moderated responses to the three options (as per section 3.3) are provided below for each district within Warwickshire from those indicating they were residents of the county.

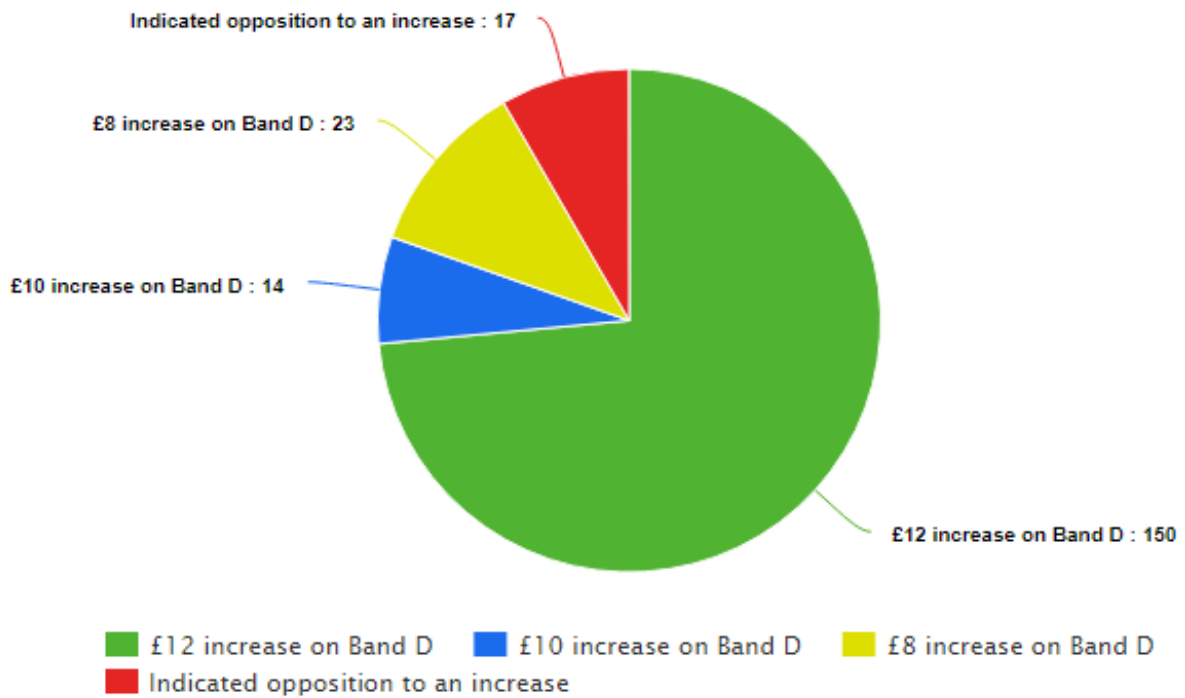
### North Warwickshire



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	65.5%	93
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	5.6%	8
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	16.2%	23
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	12.7%	18
		<b>Total: 142*</b>

\* 14 respondents skipped this question

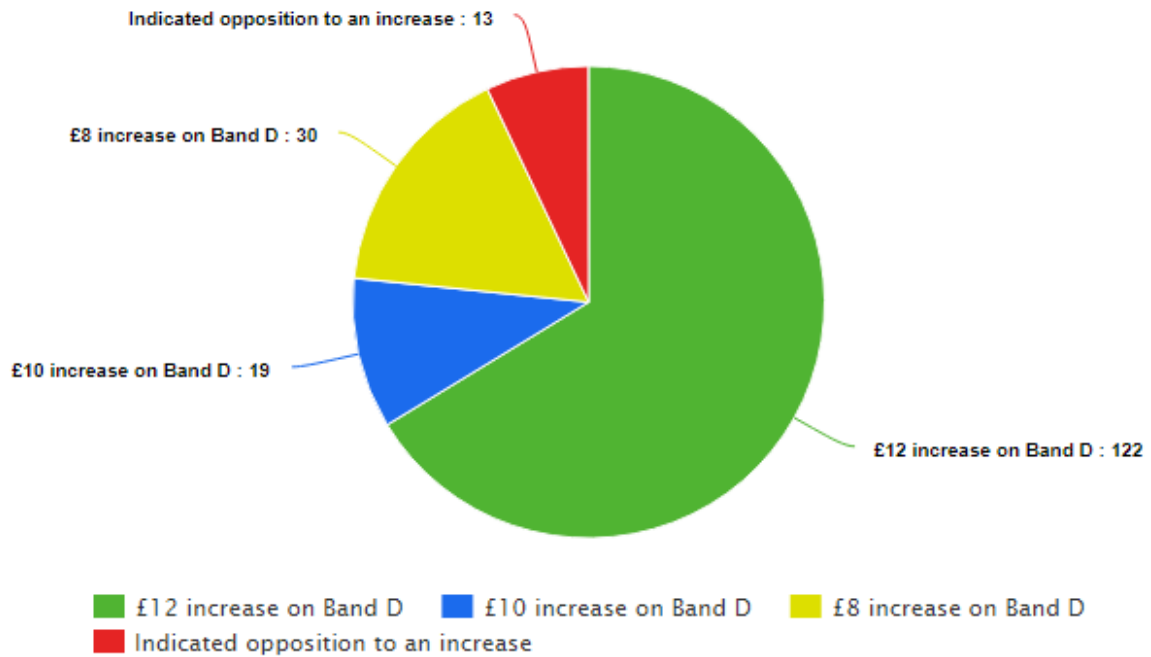
## Nuneaton and Bedworth



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	73.5%	150
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	6.9%	14
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	11.3%	23
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	8.3%	17
		<b>Total: 204*</b>

\* 15 respondents skipped this question

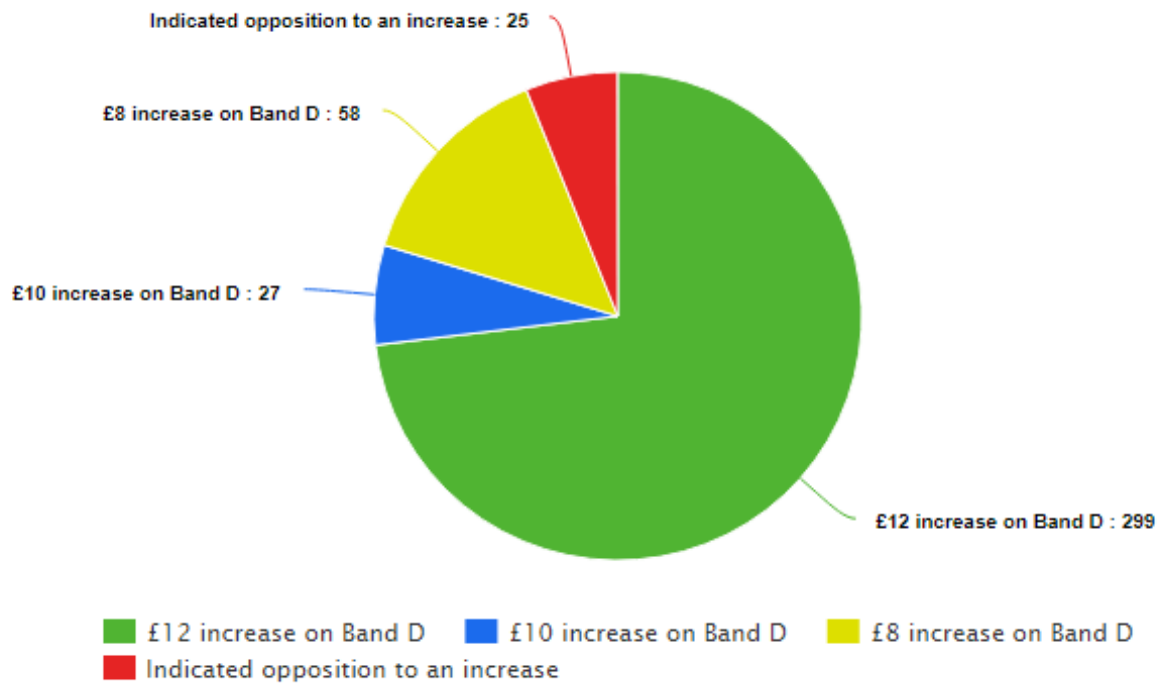
## Rugby



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	66.3%	122
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	10.3%	19
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	16.38%	30
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	7.1%	13
		<b>Total: 200*</b>

\* 16 respondents skipped this question

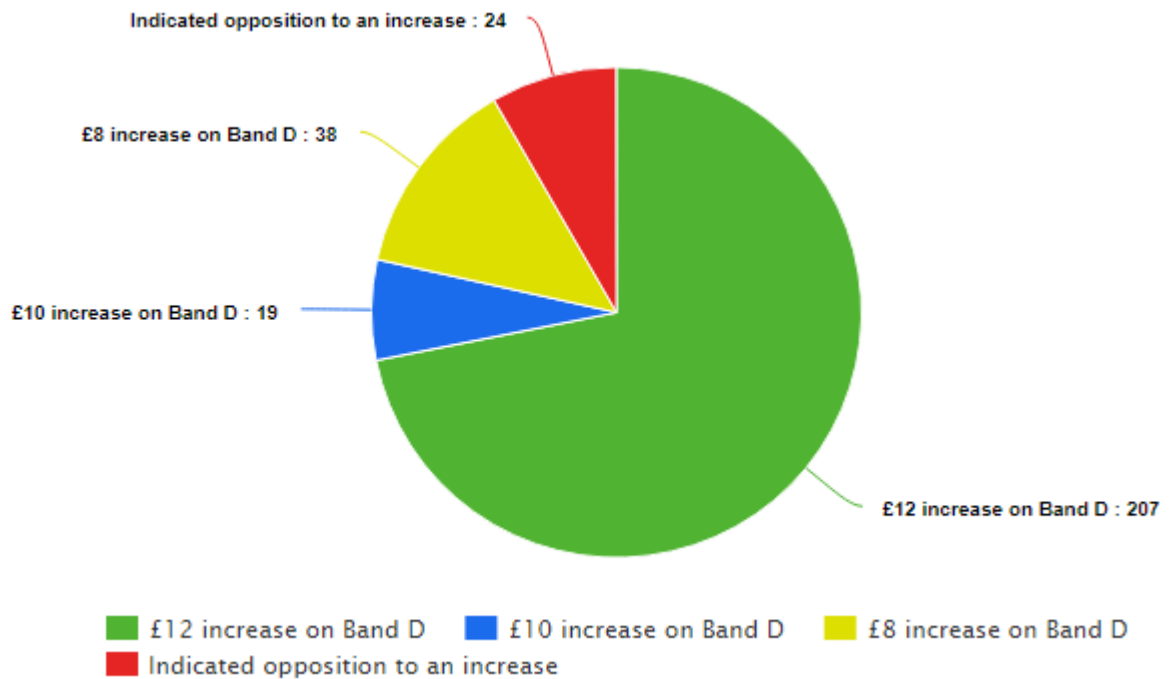
## Stratford-on-Avon



Answer choice	Result	
<b>Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)</b>	73.1%	299
<b>Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)</b>	6.6%	27
<b>Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)</b>	14.2%	58
<b>Indicated opposition to an increase in comments</b>	6.1%	25
<b>Total: 409*</b>		

\* 29 respondents skipped this question

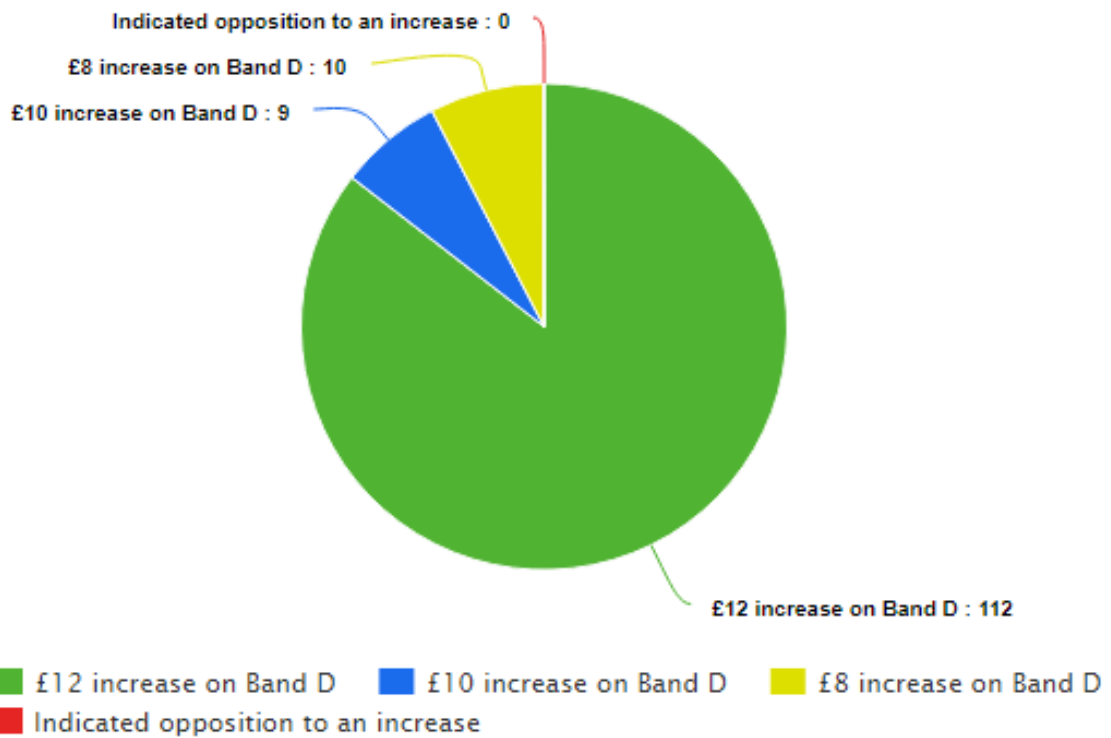
## Warwick



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	71.9%	207
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	6.6%	19
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	13.2%	38
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	8.3%	24
<b>Total: 288*</b>		

\* 27 respondents skipped this question

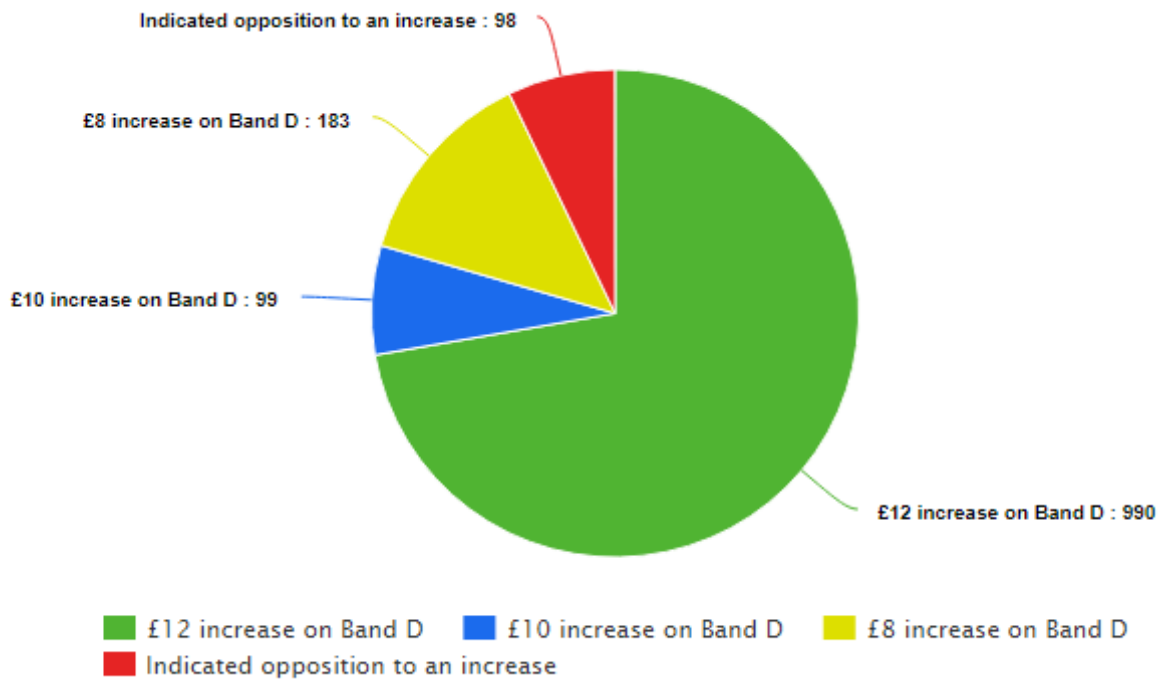
## Non-Warwickshire residents



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)		112
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)		9
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)		10
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments		0
		<b>Total: 131*</b>

\* 21 respondents skipped this question

## All results (residents and non-residents)



Answer choice	Result	
Favoured option 1 (£12 increase on Band D / 6.25% overall)	72.3%	990
Favoured option 2 (£10 increase on Band D / 5.21% overall)	7.2%	99
Favoured option 3 (£8 increase on Band D / 4.17% overall)	13.4%	183
Indicated opposition to an increase in comments	7.2%	98
<b>Total: 1,370*</b>		

\* 131 respondents skipped this question





## Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel

1 February 2018

### Work Programme 2018/19

#### Recommendation

That the Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel:

- 1) Considers the updated work programme for 2018/19.
- 2) Adds the Police and Crime Commissioners Communication and Engagement Strategy to the work programme for 19 March 2018 (see 4.0)

#### 1.0 Work Programme

- 1.1 The work programme is a live document which will be updated following each meeting. Items may be deferred or added to the Work Programme as considered necessary and agreed by the Chair of the Panel. A copy of the current work programme is attached at Appendix A.
- 1.2 Proper work programming will enable the panel to manage its time and resources effectively. The Panel will need to strike a balance between fulfilling its statutory duties, conducting any in-year reviews, and allowing space in the work programme for any reactive and responsive scrutiny. This means that shortlisting and programming items should be done on a strict prioritised basis to ensure that any work is fully resourced. To ensure timely work programming, the Panel should engage with the Commissioner and his office to ensure that there is no duplication of work, and to provide up to date background information about areas of potential enquiry.

#### 2.0 Recommendations and Action Plan

- 2.1 Appendix B is a document which will help the Panel to keep track of recommendations and requests that it has made either to the County Council or to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. This is updated regularly and presented to each Panel meeting, so that members can track progress and determine whether any further action is required.

#### 3.0 Liaison with West Mercia Police and Crime Panel

- 3.1 In 2011, Warwickshire Police entered into a Strategic Alliance with West Mercia Police, working together but retaining their own identities. Below the rank of Deputy Chief Constable, the functions of both police forces are combined in the Alliance. Therefore, the Panel may find it useful to keep abreast of the West Mercia Police and Crime Panel Work Programme and liaise accordingly. The last meeting between the Chairs of the Warwickshire

and West Mercia Panels was on 6 November 2017. The next meeting of West Mercia's Police and Crime Panel on 6 February will consider the PCC's precept proposal.

#### **4.0 The Police and Crime Commissioner's Communication and Engagement Strategy**

4.1 On 3 February 2017, the Police and Crime Panel reviewed the PCC's new Communication and Engagement Strategy. At that meeting, it was explained that a yearly programme of work had been identified and that the strategy would be refreshed annually. Accordingly, the Panel's Chair has requested that the Strategy return to the Panel to consider what actions have been taken to fulfil the ambitions of the Strategy.

4.2 This request is paired against the recent publication of Office for National Statistics data which shows that certain demographics are particularly disengaged and unaware of the PCC's role than others. The findings from the Survey of Crime in England and Wales for the year ending March 2017 show that the people most likely to be aware of PCCs were well educated retired white men on larger household incomes, living in detached homes in rural areas. Conversely, those least likely to be aware of PCCs were young women from minority ethnic backgrounds, on low incomes in urban areas.

4.3 The Panel are recommended to programme a review of Police and Crime Commissioner's Communication and Engagement Strategy for 19 March 2018.

#### **5.0 Recent changes to the Work Programme**

5.1 The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has made contact with the Force to reschedule their attendance at the Police and Crime Panel to present on the use of Body Work Video. This will be programmed for the Panel in line with officer availability.

#### **Appendices:**

Appendix A – Work Programme 2017/18

Appendix B – Recommendations and Actions Log 2017/18

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Date of next report/update	Item	Report detail	Date of last report
<b>19 January 2018 (closed session)</b>	Police and Crime Commissioner Budget Briefing	A private briefing for members of the Police and Crime Panel in preparation for precept considerations on 1 February 2017.	14 January 2017
<b>1 February 2018 Shire Hall</b>	Police and Crime Commissioner's proposed precept 2018/19	Statutory role for the Panel to consider the precept and formally respond by 8 <sup>th</sup> February.	3 February 2017
<b>27 February 2018 (closed session)</b>	Police and Crime Panel Development Session	A development session for members of the Police and Crime Panel, reflecting on strengths and weaknesses from 2017/18, the changing police landscape and the future work programme.	N/a
<b>19 March 2018 Stratford DC</b>	LGA Single Issue Group for Police and Crime Panels (TBC)	To receive an update on progress made towards establishing a national forum/association for Police and Crime Panels. The date for this update is provisional and contingent on the progress of the national steering group.	N/a
	The Police and Crime Commissioner's Engagement Strategy (TBC)	To review what work the PCC has undertaken, and will be undertaking, as part of his Communication and Engagement Strategy to gather the view of the public.	
<b>21 June 2018</b>	Restorative Justice	Requested by the Planning and Performance Working group on 15 August 2017. To receive an update on what Restorative Justice is, how it is being used and the impact this has on reoffending.	N/a
	KSI's on Warwickshire's Roads	Request for an update in on the work the PCC has undertaken to bring together partners to address the rise in KSIs.	
	Police and Crime Commissioner Annual Report	To receive the Police and Crime Commissioner's Annual Report.	7 July 2017
	Police and Crime Panel Annual Report	To receive the Police and Crime Panel's Annual Report.	7 July 2017
<b>20 September 2018</b>	Force Health and Wellbeing	Requested by the Panel on 14 September 2017. To consider an update on in-force health and wellbeing following the next staff survey results.	14 Sept 2017
<b>Standing items*</b>	Complaints	To consider any complaints against the PCC, taking account of the Complaints Protocol (verbal update).	14 Sept 2017
	Report of Working Groups (Following a meeting of a Working Group)	The Panel has delegated quarterly budget monitoring to the Budget Working Group, which will report its findings and minutes to each relevant PCP meeting.  The Panel has delegated scrutiny of the Police and Crime Delivery Plan and Force Performance to the Planning and Performance Working Group, to identify key issues for Panel enquiry.	14 Sept 2017
	Work Programme	To consider and review the Panel's work programme.	14 Sept 2017
	Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner	To hold the PCC to account for the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan and to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review progress updates in the implementation of the Police and Crime Plan.</li> <li>• Consider recent work of the PCC, including activities / decisions taken since the last meeting and engagement with national/regional policing initiatives.</li> </ul>	14 Sept 2017

Items to be Timetabled			
TBC	Police and Crime Act 2017	To receive an update on implications of the Police and Crime Act, concerning complaints handling and blue light collaboration.	N/a
Second half of 2018	The Alliance Vulnerability Strategy	At the meeting held on 23 March 2017, the Panel requested that they be provided with an update on the steps taken to measure the performance and outcomes of the Vulnerability Strategy.	23 March 2017
TBC	Body Worn Video Units	Postponed following cancellation at 14 September PCP meeting.	N/a
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Recommendations and actions in progress				
Date raised by the Panel	Recommendation / Action	Lead Member / Officer	Panel Update	Progress Notes
30 November 2017	The Panel advised that the PCC takes further steps to engage with the public more widely concerning the challenges the Force faces, the changing nature of crime, and the precept proposal.	PCC		The Panel are due to receive a report on the responses received as part of the precept consultation. The Panel are also recommended to include a review of the PCC's engagement strategy at their meeting on 19 March 2018.
30 November 2017	Request for an update in June 2018 on the work the PCC has undertaken to bring together partners to address the rise in KSIs.	Chris Lewis		
30 November 2017	Request for an update on the use of Fire and Rescue staff in supporting missing person's investigations.	Neil Hewison		
14 September 2017	Request by Councillor Poole to write to the Secretary of State regarding the early release of burglary offenders.	Neil Hewison	30 November 2017	The OPCC agreed to liaise with Councillor Poole at the next Rugby Community Safety Partnership meeting to take this matter forward.
Completed actions from the past 6 months				
Date raised by the Panel	Recommendation / Action	Lead Member / Officer	Panel Update	Progress Notes
14 September 2017	Request to circulate a report on the demand for places of safety in Warwickshire.	Helen Earp		Circulated on 15 January 2018
30 November 2017	HMICFRS Inspection reports to be referred to the Planning and Performance Working Group for future meetings.	Stefan Robinson		HMICFRS Efficiency and Legitimacy reports to be reviewed by the Planning and Performance Working Group at their meeting on 15 February 2018.
14 September 2017	Request to provide response to Andy Davis question concerning performance data integrity.	Rebecca Parsons		Circulated 20 September 2017
14 September 2017	The Chair to send a response to the consultation regarding proposals to establish a national association for police and crime panels.	Councillor Davies		Submitted for consideration. At the National PCP conference on 6 November, there was a majority in favour of an LGA led Single Issue Group for national representation. A meeting will be held in March 2018 for all Panel Chair's to discuss final proposals. A report will be brought to the Panel at the appropriate time.

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