## NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

## REPORT TO THE NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

## Precept Proposal 2015/16

On 29 January 2015 the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner formally notified the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel of her proposed precept for 2015/16. The Panel is required to review the proposed precept by 8 February of the relevant financial year and report to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The Panel met on Thursday, 5 February 2015. Membership of the Panel at the meeting was:

Hambleton District Council	Cllr Peter Wilkinson	 NO
Harrogate Borough Council	Cllr Margaret Atkinson	
North Yorkshire County Council	Cllr Carl Les	
Selby District Council	Cllr Gillian Ivey	
Ryedale District Council	Cllr Eric Hope	
City of York Council	Cllr Fiona Fitzpatrick	
Community Co-opted	Gary Craig	
Community Co-opted	Santokh Sidhu	

The Panel would like to thank the Commissioner, her staff and the Chief Constable for: the level of transparency in the papers provided; attending its meeting on Thursday, 5 February 2014; and the responses provided to the wide variety of questions and issues that Panel Members raised.

When reviewing the proposal, the Panel took into account the requirements to satisfy the statutory requirements of setting a Council Tax Requirement and a balanced budget for 2015/16 within the context of:

- Increasing Council Tax in 2015/16 by 1.99% (£4.15 per annum for a Band D property)
- Maintaining Police Officer numbers of 1,392 and Police Community Support Officer Numbers of 183 in 2015/16.
- Being able to maintain the General Balance and Other Earmarked reserves at an acceptable level.

- To continue to progress and implement a comprehensive Capital and Revenue Development Programme.
- Continuing reductions in Government funding requiring additional savings.

## Decision

The Police and Crime Panel supported the Commissioner's proposal for a proposed precept increase of 1.99%.

As far as the Panel is concerned, this ends its scrutiny process of the Commissioner's proposed precept for 2015/16.

Carl Les. Chairman, North Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel

5 February 2015

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