

Decision Notice

DN 05/2021 Date 26/02/2021

2021/22 Fire Budget, Medium Term Financial Plan and Associated Papers

The Commissioner has decided to approve the financial plans for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service, following a public consultation and the setting of the precept at an increase of 1.99% as set out in DN 02-2021. This concludes the 2021/22 budget process and the papers attached to this decision provide the detail of the financial plans for 2021/22 and beyond.

Background

This Decision Notice sets out the Commissioner's Fire Budget and Capital Plans for 2021/22 and the Medium Term Financial Plans to 2024/25, and meets her legal obligation to set the budget prior to 1 March 2021.

The Revenue Budget for 2021/22 is based on the approved 1.99% or £1.45 increase in precept for a Band D property for 2021/22 and sets out how the £35,936k of revenue funding to be received by the PFCC in 2021/22 will be spent. The decision also sets out a capital programme of £4.76m for 2021/22 and provides details of how this will be spent.

To support this decision are the following attached papers:

1. 2021-22 Budget and Capital Programme and MTFP to 2024/25 (Fire)

This report includes the Reserves Strategy at Appendix B.

2. Annual Treasury Management Strategy

This report includes the Annual Investment Strategy, the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy, and the Capital Strategy.

Decision Record

The Commissioner has decided, on the advice of her Chief Finance Officer, to approve the Fire Budget and Capital Plans for 2021/22 and the Medium Term Financial Plans to 2024/25, as attached to this decision. In doing so, the Commissioner is agreeing to the allocation of resources set out within this decision and the associated appendices, and also the detailed recommendations contained within all of the attached papers.



Julia Mulligan
Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire

Statutory Officer Advice

Legal, Management and Equality Implications

The Commissioner's Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer has advised that, having read this report and having considered such information as has been provided at the time of being asked to express this view, is satisfied that this decision meets the Commissioner's statutory obligations and does not ask the Commissioner to make a decision which would (or would be likely to) give rise to a contravention of the law.

Financial and Commercial

The Commissioner's Chief Finance Officer and S151 Officer has recommended that the Commissioner approves the Budget and Capital Plans for 2021/22 as attached to this Decision along with the Medium Term Financial Plans to 2024/25. In doing so the Commissioner will have set a balanced medium term financial plan with some small use of reserves.