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Councillor Carl Les Chair, North Yorkshire Police Fire and Crime Panel

By email

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Dear Carl and members of the Panel,

Police and Fire and Rescue precepts

Thank you for your report of the Panel supporting my Policing and Fire and Rescue precept proposals for 2021/22.

I believe they are proposals which are in the best interests of both the public of North Yorkshire, who have been hit hard economically by the effects of the pandemic this year, and of the Services.

I am pleased you support my position regarding Fire and Rescue precept flexibility, especially in light of that given to District Councils and other local government bodies.

It has been clear over both years I have set this precept that the public would strongly support a greater increase in the Fire and Rescue precept, and it is a matter which I have raised frequently with the Minister. For services like North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service, flexibility to raise the precept beyond 1.99% would bring enormous benefit, not only to the ability of the Service to invest in aging infrastructure and fleet, but also its ability to better protect and serve the public of North Yorkshire. I will continue to make these arguments and thank you again for your support.

Yours sincerely,

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