

Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

Tel: 01273 481561
Email: pcc@sussex-pcc.gov.uk
www.sussex-pcc.gov.uk

The Office of the
Sussex Police &
Crime Commissioner
Sackville House
Brooks Close, Lewes
East Sussex, BN7 2FZ



**Sussex
Police & Crime
Commissioner**

Councillor Judy Rogers
Chair of the Sussex Police & Crime Panel
County Hall
West Street
Chichester
West Sussex
PO19 1RQ

5 February 2024

Dear Cllr Rogers

Proposed Precept 2024/25

Thank you for your letter dated 30 January 2024.

I am grateful to the Sussex Police & Crime Panel for supporting my proposed £13 increase in the precept to £252.91 on a Band D property for 2024/25 at its meeting last month.

The support of the Panel will enable Sussex Police to maintain the collective improvements made to operational policing capacity, capability, visibility and accessibility since 2018/19, together with meeting the unprecedented increases to costs, pay and inflation. It will also support the cost of delivering the transformational change programmes required to ensure that the Force has the most efficient and effective model possible to deliver smarter evidence-based policing.

The additional investment will also support the continued delivery of the three Public Priorities contained within my Police & Crime Plan 2021/24 – to strengthen policing, tackle crime, prevent harm and anti-social behaviour; relentless disruption of serious and organised crime; and support and safeguard victims and tackle violence against women and girls.

I do not underestimate the pronounced financial challenges that many residents in Sussex continue to face during this difficult time. However, it remains vital to ensure the Force is supported and that residents continue to receive the best possible policing service in Sussex. It is also important to recognise that this increase is equivalent to an additional 25p a week / £1.08 a month per [Band D] household and that, despite this rise, Sussex remains within the lowest quartile for all police precepts in England.

Thank you for your continued support and I very much look forward to building on our collective achievements during 2024/25 and beyond.

Yours sincerely

Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner