

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE POLICE, FIRE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

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The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's Formal Response to the Report of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel on its Review of the Commissioner's proposed Fire and Rescue Precept for 2025/26

Dear David

I would like to thank the Panel for its report dated 7th February 2025 which sets the conclusions of the Panel's review of my proposed fire and rescue precept for 2025/26.

This report is the response I am required to give to the Panel in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 schedule 5, paragraph 5(2).

I am grateful to the Panel for its support for my proposal for an increase in the 2025/26 Council Tax precept Band D level to £80.39 for fire and rescue purposes, which represents an increase of 6.7% or £5.

I note the points the Panel made at its meeting; summarised in section 6 of the Panel's report. Following publication of this response I shall approve and issue the precept based on a Band D Council Tax of £80.39 for 2025/26.

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Danielle Stone Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire