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To:
Police and Crime Commissioners in Wales

Copies to:
Chief Finance Officers of Police and Crime Commissioners, Wales
Chief Constables of Police Forces in Wales
Chief Finance Officers of Police Forces in Wales

13 December 2018

Dear Commissioners,

Provisional Police Settlement 2019-20

Following the announcement today by the Home Office of its Provisional Settlement for Policing in England and Wales, I am writing to provide details of the Welsh Government's component of the Provisional Police Settlement for police forces in Wales for 2019-20.

The Home Office announcement set out that when taking together the Home Office and Welsh Government components, all Welsh police forces will receive an increase of 2.1% in funding in 2019-20 compared with the current year.

Annex A contains details of the Provisional Settlement for each police force in Wales.

The period of formal consultation on the amount and distribution begins today and closes on 10 January 2019. Responses should be sent to:

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Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ
Email: LGFPSettlement@gov.wales

Comments are invited about the effects (whether positive or adverse) the proposed settlement would have on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language. In addition, we invite comments on whether the proposed settlement could be formulated or revised to have positive effects, or decreased adverse effects, on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Copies of responses may be placed in the Welsh Government's library. If you wish your comments to remain confidential, please make this clear in your reply. This will be considered in light of our obligations under the Freedom of Information Act. The Welsh Government will consider all responses received by the due date before the final determination is made and published.

Police and Crime Commissioners are reminded of the requirement to comply with the general equality duties set out in the Equality Act 2010, and also the specific equality duties where applicable. The equality impacts of budgetary options should be assessed and inform any final decisions.

I will consider all consultation responses before making a final determination and publishing the Local Government Finance Report (No. 2) 2019-20 (Police and Crime Commissioners). This report is due to be debated in the Assembly in February 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alun Davies', with a horizontal line underneath it.

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Annex A: Provisional Police Settlement for Wales, 2019-20

Table 1: Standard Spending Assessments (£m)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Dyfed-Powys	34.488	35.151	35.860	36.618
Gwent	51.419	52.407	53.462	54.593
North Wales	49.665	50.621	51.654	52.743
South Wales	119.882	122.186	124.630	127.269
Total	255.453	260.364	265.606	271.223

Table 2: Aggregate External Finance (RSG+NNDR, £m)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Dyfed-Powys	12.895	12.870	13.101	13.355
Gwent	30.107	30.583	31.083	31.701
North Wales	21.578	21.907	22.122	22.496
South Wales	72.177	73.341	74.594	75.848
Total	136.757	138.700	140.900	143.400

Table 3: Police Grant and Floor Funding (£m)¹

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Dyfed-Powys	37.117	36.443	36.212	36.993
Gwent	42.393	40.904	40.404	41.287
North Wales	51.167	49.821	49.606	50.738
South Wales	87.463	84.066	82.812	84.864
Total	218.140	211.234	209.034	213.882

Table 4: Total Central Support (£m)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Dyfed-Powys	50.012	49.313	49.313	50.348
Gwent	72.501	71.487	71.487	72.988
North Wales	72.745	71.728	71.728	73.234
South Wales	159.639	157.407	157.407	160.712
Total	354.897	349.934	349.934	357.282

Table 5: Change in Total Central Support since the previous year (%)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Dyfed-Powys	-0.6%	-1.4%	0.0%	2.1%
Gwent	-0.6%	-1.4%	0.0%	2.1%
North Wales	-0.6%	-1.4%	0.0%	2.1%
South Wales	-0.6%	-1.4%	0.0%	2.1%
Total	-0.6%	-1.4%	0.0%	2.1%

Notes:

¹ This is the amount of police grant set out in section 3 of the Police Grant Report which includes the allocation under 'Principal Formula' and 'Add Rule 1' (columns a and b) plus the amount 'floor funding' that the Home Office has made available.