

Thank you for your email which was received by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner on 27 January 2016. In that email you asked:

“What estimate has been made of any real-terms reductions in the income received by the force from the Home Office in the following years - (a) 2016/17 (b) 2017/18 (c) 2018/19 (d) 2019/20. Please include in your response any documents setting out forward financial projections (redacted or in full).

What estimate has been made of any real-terms reductions in spending by the force in the following years - (a) 2015/16 (b) 2016/17 (c) 2017/18 (d) 2018/19 (e) 2019/20

What projections have been made of the impact on the force of any proposed reductions in the police grant formula allocation and can you outline any planned workforce reductions.

What estimate has been made of the cost to the force of (a) the apprenticeship levy and (b) the single tier pension?

Has the force spent any money obtaining ACORN 5 data from CACI limited since 14 July 2015? If so, how much?

What has been the total cost to the force to date of engaging in the Home Office consultation on reform of the police funding formula?”

The information held by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner which falls within the terms of your request is as follows:

1. Please refer to the preliminary budget proposals for 2016/17 included in a board report through the following link.

<http://www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/media/411247/07-SPCB-05-Jan-Preliminary-Revenue-Budget-and-Capital-Programme-Proposals.pdf>

Based on the current assumptions, as detailed in a letter from the home office dated 25th November 2015, the total central Government resource funding to policing, including funding for counter terrorism, will be reduced by 1.3% in real terms over four years.

However, no confirmed information can be provided at this stage from 2017/18 onwards due to the uncertainties relating to the national police funding formula due to take place in 2016.

2. Refer to the above answer and details of the 2015/16 reduction are available through the Commissioner's notice of decision paper from Feb 2015.

<http://www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/media/361499/wmpcc-002-2015-revenue-budget-precept-capital-budget-2015-16.pdf>

3. Refer to the above answer.
4. Estimates of the single tier pension are £7.7m.

The potential costs of the apprenticeship levy will be calculated when further details are provided by Central Government, although potentially this will be in the region of £2 million.

5. None.
6. In the region of £30k, including staff time to engage with the consultation.

Your attention is drawn to your right to request a re-examination of your case under the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner's review procedure (to follow). Please note that such an appeal must be received within six months of the date of this correspondence.