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Dear Jaclyn

**Re: Local Council Tax Support Scheme**

Thank you for your letter of 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019 in which you seek the Police and Crime Commissioner's view on your Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2020/21.

Whilst your letter includes a number of detailed options, the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) comments are focussed on the aggregate impact of the scheme from the prospective of the police precept. The PCC has no desire to make additional service reductions or propose additional increases in his council tax to fund potential shortfalls arising from Local Council Tax Support Schemes. As a result, the PCC supports proposals for Council Tax Support Schemes which eliminate, or at least minimise, the consequent funding reductions. In addition, the PCC supports proposals to increase income through the discretions for Council Tax exemptions.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment.

Yours sincerely

Julie Flint

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