

Addendum Report to Full Council

25 February 2025

Subject:	Medium-Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2025/26
	and Council Tax Resolution 2025/26
Cabinet Member:	Councillor Paul Moore
	Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, and
	Deputy Leader
Director:	Alex Thompson
	Executive Director of Finance and Resources –
	Section 151 Officer
Key Decision:	Yes
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Addendum to Published Report to Inform Full Council of Formal Precept Notification from Major Preceptors

Purpose

- 1. At the time of preparation and publication of the report titled 'Medium-Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2025/26 and Council Tax Resolution 2025/26', scheduled to be considered by Full Council on 25th February 2025, formal notifications of final precept values and associated Council Tax amounts per band had not been received from the West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority. Draft values had been shared with the Council, pending formal approval by the Fire Authority.
- 2. This addendum provides confirmation to Council of the results of the formal meeting of the West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority and the resultant precepts and Council Tax amounts.

West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority

- 3. The West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority met on 17th February 2025 to debate the proposed budget for 2025/26 and the level of Council Tax to be raised to support that budget. Formal notification was received by this Council on 21st February 2025 that a precept of £6,444,544.53 would be levied on the Council and Band D Council Tax was to be set at £80.19 for 2025/26; that being an annual increase of £4.99 or 6.64%.
- 4. The amounts included within the precept notification reconcile to the amounts as published with the Council Tax Resolution on the Council agenda and no adjustments are therefore required.

Police and Crime Commissioner for the West Midlands

- 5. Formal precept notification was received by the Council on 12th February 2025, in advance of publication of the report, indicating a precept of £18,443,606.85, with Band D Council Tax amounts to be set at £229.50; that being an annual increase of £13.95 or 6.47%.
- 6. The amounts included within the precept notification reconcile to the amounts as published within the Council Tax Resolution on the Council agenda and no adjustments are therefore required.

Amendments to Recommendations and Council Tax Resolution

- 7. Formal precept notifications from the offices of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Fire and Rescue Authority agree to the table presented within the Council Tax Resolution (Appendix B) at Part 3 and therefore Part 4, as the aggregate amounts of Council Tax to be levied on residents of the Borough, also remain unchanged.
- 8. This addendum therefore serves as confirmation that no amendments to the report are required with regard to Council Tax amounts.