

**ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
COUNCILLOR FEEDBACK REPORT FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

**Report to Overview Select Committee – 31 January 2018**

<b>Name of Meeting:</b>	Sussex Police & Crime Panel
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	19 January 2018
<b>Report by:</b>	Councillor Mike Clayden
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member:</b>	Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing

This meeting was to decide if the Panel would accept the Commissioners request for next year's precept increase, which was for 7.8% or £12.00 for a Band D property, increasing the amount from £153.91 to £165.91 per year (Currently Sussex Police precept is the fifth lowest in the country).

This increase is also the maximum amount permitted without the need for a referendum on the matter.

Increasing the precept in this way reduces the need for savings identified in the Commissioners Medium Term Savings Requirement 2017/18 to 2020/21 plan of £26.5m.

With the additional funding from the grant settlement and this precept increase the new savings requirement is approximately a tenth of the original amount at £2.8M.

This much reduces the need for savings and the cuts that would have been needed to achieve them.

The Commissioner stated that the focus would move to Local Policing and Call Centre improvements.

There was a lot of discussion on the precept and the vote to accept it was close.