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Dear Councillor Douglas

Thank you for your letter dated 5th February 2019 on behalf of the Police and Crime Panel for Northumbria following the meeting of the Panel on 5th February 2019.

I welcome the Panel's agreement to the proposed increase in the precept, and I can confirm that in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Act 1992, I intend to formally request the local authorities in the Northumbria area to issue, in respect of the year beginning 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 as part of the Council Tax for their area, an increase charge of £24 for a Band D property.

Please convey my thanks to the members of the panel for their contribution to this process.

Yours sincerely

Dame Vera Baird QC  
PCC for Northumbria