

17 April 2013

Dear Police and Crime Commissioner,

2011-12 COUNCIL TAX FREEZE SCHEME - PAYMENT OF GRANT TO POLICE AND CRIME COMMISIONERS

I am writing to confirm the process by which you will be paid the council tax freeze grant which you are due in 2013-14 as a result of your predecessor police authority having met the criteria of the 2011-12 council tax freeze scheme. The terms of this scheme were set out by the Secretary of State in his Written Ministerial Statement of 21 October 2010.

http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101021/wmstext/10102 1m0001.htm#10102140000011

In accordance with the terms of the 2011-12 scheme, the Government is providing grant to eligible authorities in each subsequent year of the Spending Review period. In 2012-13 this grant was paid to police authorities through Revenue Support Grant.

In 2013-14 – as a consequence of the introduction of Business Rates Retention – it is necessary to pay the freeze grant due to Police and Crime Commissioners in respect of 2011-12 under section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003.¹

Please find enclosed a copy of the "Council Tax Freeze 2011-12 Police and Crime Commissioners) Grant Determination 2013-14 (No 31/2156)" which specifies the amount of grant your authority will receive in 2013-14. The original has been signed and is held at DCLG's principal offices at the below address.

You will receive the funding in ten instalments of as near equal value as possible. Payments will begin in April 2013 and conclude in January 2014 to mirror the profile of your council tax receipts. The first payment will be made within the next few days, and subsequent payments will be made on the fifteenth day of each month, unless that day falls on a weekend or public holiday, in which case the payment will be made on the next working day. I will write about the arrangements for payment of grant in 2014-15 later in the year.

¹ Police and Crime Commissioners sit outside Start-Up Funding Assessment process, and so – unlike other eligible authorities – cannot receive 2011-12 freeze grant through the new system.

If you require any further information regarding the contents of this letter please do not hesitate to e-mail: jasna.begum@communities.gsi.gov.uk; or write to

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I am writing separately to Police and Crime Commissioners that met the terms of the 2013-14 council tax freeze scheme, and am copying this letter to the Chief Executive of the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners.

Yours faithfully,

Claire Cooper

Deputy Director, Council Tax Local Government Finance

COUNCIL TAX FREEZE (2011-12 POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONERS) GRANT DETERMINATION 2013-14: No [31/2156]

Brandon Lewis, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department for Communities and Local Government ("the Minister"), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

1) This determination may be cited as the Council Tax Freeze [Scheme] (2011-12 Police and Crime Commissioners) Grant Determination 2013-14: No [31/2156].

Purpose of the grant

2) The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

- 3) The Minister determines as the authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid, the authorities and the amounts set out in Annex A.
- 4) Payment of grant will be by 10 monthly instalments from April 2013 to January 2014, of as near equal value as possible.

Treasury consent

5) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Minister obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of Brandon Lewis, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department for Communities and Local Government

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A Senior Civil Servant within the Department for Communities and Local Government

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ANNEX A

Authorities to which grant is to be paid	Amount of grant to be paid (£)
Avon & Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner	2,369,392
Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner	750,940
Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,172,505
Cheshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,361,423
Cleveland Police and Crime Commissioner	799,988
Cumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	857,812
Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,354,010
Devon & Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner	2,392,253
Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner	1,330,517
Durham Police and Crime Commissioner	727,984
Essex Police and Crime Commissioner	2,132,981
Gloucestershire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,116,753
Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner	2,899,962
Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner	2,519,945
Hertfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,660,297
Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner	1,199,447
Kent Police and Crime Commissioner	2,203,492
Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,714,097
Leicestershire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,349,468
Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,058,666
Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner	1,537,588
Norfolk Police and Crime Commissioner	1,427,896
North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,532,214
Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,131,524
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	911,922
Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,332,100
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,268,941
Staffordshire Police and Crime Commissioner	1,594,850
Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner	1,030,298
Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner	2,460,826
Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner	2,175,515
Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner	3,372,417
Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner	876,605
West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner	1,975,685
West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner	1,991,344
West Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	2,225,828
Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner	990,554