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To:
Police and Crime Commissioners in Wales
Police Forces in Wales

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Chief Finance Officers of Police and Crime Commissioners, Wales
Chief Constables of Police Forces in Wales
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15 December 2016

Provisional Police Settlement 2017-18

Following the announcement today by the Home Office of its Provisional Settlement for Policing in England and Wales, I am writing to inform you of the Welsh Government's component of the Provisional Police Settlement for police forces in Wales for 2017-18.

The Home Office announcement confirms that it will provide Police Grant and floor funding support so no Welsh police force receives a decrease of more than 1.4% for 2017-18.

Annex A contains details of the Provisional Settlement for each police force in Wales.

The period of formal consultation on the amount and distribution begins today and closes on 19 January 2017. Responses should be sent to:

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Comments are invited about the effects (whether positive or adverse) the proposed settlement would have on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language. In addition, we invite comments on whether the proposed settlement could be formulated or revised to have positive effects, or decreased adverse effects, on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

Copies of responses may be placed in the Welsh Government's library. If you wish your comments to remain confidential, please make this clear in your reply. This will be considered in light of our obligations under the Freedom of Information Act. The Welsh Government will consider all responses received by the due date before the final determination is made and published.

Police and Crime Commissioners are reminded of the requirement to comply with the general equality duties set out in the Equality Act 2010, and also the specific equality duties where applicable. The equality impacts of budgetary options should be assessed and inform any final decisions.

I will consider all consultation responses before making a final determination and publishing the Local Government Finance Report (No. 2) 2017-18 (Police and Crime Commissioners). This report is provisionally due to be debated in the Assembly on 14 February 2017.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Drakeford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

Mark Drakeford AM/AC

Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Gyllid a Llywodraeth Leol
Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government

Annex A: Provisional Police Settlement for Wales, 2017-18

Table 1: Standard Spending Assessments (£m)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Dyfed-Powys	34.155	33.863	34.488	35.151
Gwent	50.921	50.485	51.419	52.407
North Wales	49.170	48.762	49.665	50.621
South Wales	118.731	117.702	119.882	122.186
Total	252.977	250.812	255.453	260.364

Table 2: Aggregate External Finance (RSG+NNDR, £m)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Dyfed-Powys	13.640	12.788	12.895	12.870
Gwent	30.674	29.696	30.107	30.583
North Wales	22.328	21.308	21.578	21.907
South Wales	73.357	71.218	72.177	73.341
Total	140.000	135.010	136.757	138.700

Table 3: Police Grant and Floor Funding (£m)¹

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Dyfed-Powys	39.367	37.511	37.117	36.443
Gwent	46.169	43.220	42.393	40.904
North Wales	54.774	51.854	51.167	49.821
South Wales	95.843	89.338	87.463	84.066
Total	236.153	221.923	218.140	211.234

Table 4: Total Central Support (£m)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Dyfed-Powys	53.008	50.299	50.012	49.313
Gwent	76.843	72.917	72.501	71.487
North Wales	77.102	73.162	72.745	71.728
South Wales	169.201	160.555	159.639	157.407
Total	376.153	356.933	354.897	349.934

Table 5: Change in Total Central Support since the previous year (%)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Dyfed-Powys	-	-	-	-1.4%
Gwent	-	-	-	-1.4%
North Wales	-	-	-	-1.4%
South Wales	-	-	-	-1.4%
Total	-	-	-	-1.4%

Notes:

¹ This is the amount of police grant set out in section 3 of the Police Grant Report which includes the allocation under 'Principal Formula' and 'Add Rule 1' (columns a and b) plus the amount 'floor funding' that the Home Office has made available.