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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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Dear Commissioners,

Final Police Settlement 2025-26

This letter is to inform you of the Welsh Government's component of the Final Police Settlement for police forces in Wales for 2025-26, subject to approval by Senedd Cymru.

The Home Office has confirmed that all Welsh police forces will receive an increase of 3.705% in core funding in 2025-26.

Annex A contains details of the Final Settlement for each police force in Wales. The overall allocations for individual forces are unchanged from the Provisional Police Settlement.

The Local Government Finance Report (No.2) 2025-26 (Final Settlement – Police and Crime Commissioners) published today is scheduled for debate in the Senedd on 4 March 2025.

If you have any queries regarding this letter, please contact the Local Government Finance Policy and Sustainability Division via LGFPSettlement@gov.wales.

Yours sincerely

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Annex A: Final Police Settlement for Wales, 2025-26

Table 1a: Standard Spending Assessments (£m)¹

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Dyfed-Powys	37.049	37.492	33.904	34.368	34.936	35.425
Gwent	55.236	55.896	50.547	51.239	51.996	52.724
North Wales	53.377	54.012	48.845	49.530	50.387	51.106
South Wales	128.757	130.295	117.826	119.425	120.772	122.450
Total	274.419	277.694	251.122	254.563	258.090	261.706

Table 1b: Aggregate External Finance (RSG+NNDR, £m)¹

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Dyfed-Powys	13.150	13.030	8.667	8.492	8.413	8.099
Gwent	31.790	31.857	25.939	26.069	26.196	26.315
North Wales	22.614	22.523	16.513	16.334	16.361	16.101
South Wales	75.845	75.989	62.352	62.575	62.501	62.955
Total	143.400	143.400	113.470	113.470	113.470	113.470

Table 1c: Police Grant and Floor Funding (£m)^{1,2,3,4}

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Dyfed-Powys	40.967	44.497	52.272	54.996	56.379	59.093
Gwent	46.660	51.539	62.401	65.967	67.730	71.092
North Wales	56.101	61.153	72.125	76.011	77.882	81.634
South Wales	96.895	107.639	132.165	140.078	144.315	151.524
Total	240.622	264.828	318.964	337.052	346.307	363.343

Table 1d: Total Central Support (£m)^{3,4}

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Dyfed-Powys	54.116	57.528	60.939	63.488	64.792	67.193
Gwent	78.451	83.396	88.341	92.036	93.926	97.407
North Wales	78.715	83.677	88.638	92.346	94.243	97.735
South Wales	172.740	183.629	194.517	202.653	206.816	214.479
Total	384.022	408.228	432.434	450.522	459.777	476.813

Table 1e: Change in Total Central Support since the previous year (%)^{3,4}

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Dyfed-Powys	7.484%	6.304%	5.929%	4.183%	2.054%	3.705%
Gwent	7.484%	6.304%	5.929%	4.183%	2.054%	3.705%
North Wales	7.484%	6.304%	5.929%	4.183%	2.054%	3.705%
South Wales	7.484%	6.304%	5.929%	4.183%	2.054%	3.705%
Total	7.484%	6.304%	5.929%	4.183%	2.054%	3.705%

Notes:

1. Following the 2015 Comprehensive Spending Review, the Home Office made an annual transfer of funding to the Welsh Government in order for the Welsh Government to deliver its agreed contribution to police funding in Wales. From 2022-23 onwards, this additional funding is no longer transferred and is instead delivered by the Home Office via the Police Grant and Top Up Grant. This resulted in the Welsh Government contribution to policing reducing by £29.93m in 2022-23 and subsequent years. This is purely an administrative change and does not result in any change in overall funding for any police force.

2. 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 of 'floor funding' that the Home Office has made available.

3. Figures are shown before the adjustment made for the Special Branch funding, as outlined in paragraph 4.8 of the Police Grant Report.

4. Figures for 2023-24 have been restated to include the in-year funding awarded to forces for the 2023-24 pay deal.