

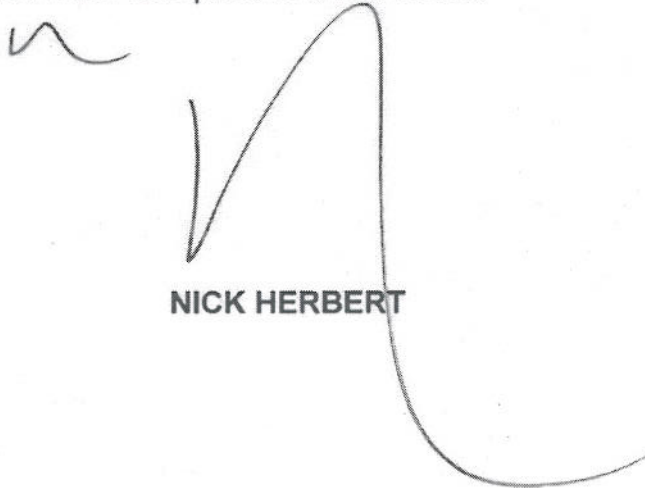
Again, the exact amount of funding to be rolled into Police Main Grant has yet to be decided and I will make further details available as soon as I am in a position to do so.

I would like to take this opportunity to make absolutely clear that we have no intention of ring-fencing Police Main Grant (I understand there has been some confusion on this point). It will be for PCCs to decide how to use all of the resources at their disposal in pursuit of local priorities.

Equally, we have no intention of setting a minimum or maximum amount that PCCs must or should spend on community safety activity. Again this is a local decision for individual PCCs to take. Furthermore, subject to the constraints that may be placed on individual funding streams (for example the ring-fenced Counter-Terrorism Policing Grant) PCCs will be able to pool funding as they and their local partners see fit.

I hope that this helps to clarify these funding arrangements but if you have any further questions I would ask that you contact Ziggy MacDonald (Head of the Crime and Policing Group Finance Unit) or Eleanor Cannell (Police Funding Policy) directly.

I am copying this letter to Fraser Sampson and Bob Atkins.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a small flourish on the left and a large, stylized 'N' that loops down and to the right.

NICK HERBERT