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Dear Mr Cox,

Thank you for your letter of 6 December to the Home Secretary on the recent inquest into the death of Mr Daniel Lee Tilley and for sharing your report. I am replying as the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire. I am very sorry to hear of Mr Tilley's death and offer my condolences to his family and friends.

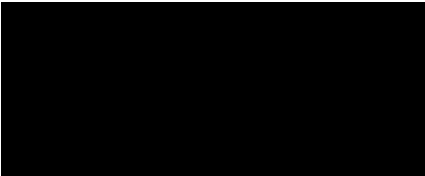
This Government is absolutely committed to giving the police the resources they need to do their vital work reducing crime and keeping the public safe. That is why we are recruiting 20,000 additional officers and proposing to provide up to £17.2 billion to policing in 2023-24. Next year, Devon and Cornwall Police will receive up to £392 million, an increase of up to £15 million when compared to 2022-23. As a result of their hard work and commitment police forces in England and Wales have recruited 15,343 additional officers, as at 30 September 2022, 77% of the 20,000 officer target. As at 30 September 2022, Devon and Cornwall Constabulary has recruited 313 additional uplift officers against a total three year allocation of 469 officers.

Around two-thirds of funding for Police and Crime Commissioners comes directly from government grants, with the remainder coming from the police precept. This council tax precept is a decision for each Police and Crime Commissioner.

We are committed to introducing a new police funding formula that fairly and transparently distributes core grant funding to the 43 police forces in England and Wales. The Review will rightly consider all aspects of the funding formula, including an evidence-based assessment of policing demand and the relative impact of local factors on forces. We are currently testing around 80 indicators for inclusion in the model. These cover factors such as population size and characteristics, deprivation, rurality, road infrastructure, levels of tourism and local amenities.

Thank you again for taking the time to write and I hope this helps address the points raised.

Yours sincerely,



Rt Hon Chris Philp MP