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Dear Chancellor and Home Secretary,

I am the Chairman of the Kent and Medway Police and Crime Panel. In March this year I wrote to the previous Chancellor and Home Secretary about the Police Funding Formula Review. I received a response from the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire which is attached together with a copy of my letter.

It was clear from Chris Philp's response that the previous administration understood the need to review the distribution of funding across forces in England and Wales and was planning a funding review. I would urge you to continue this initiative as a matter of urgency to resolve the inequitable funding allocation to forces such as Kent which is causing severe financial pressures. The Panel and I would be grateful for confirmation that there will indeed be a Funding Formula Review, and could you please indicate when a further update will be available.

Michael Hill, OBE, Chairman of the Kent and Medway Police and Crime Panel