

**CRANTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE**



Minutes of the meeting of the **Finance and Policy Committee** held on **14 December 2015** at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cranton, commencing at 7.28 pm.

**Present:** Councillors W Cook (Chair), D Bray, S Cooper, J Foran, P M Green, D Rostance and G Pentin

**In attendance:** Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)  
1 member of the public

**19. APOLOGIES**

**It was resolved** that apologies for absence received from Councillors G McGann and M O'Dowd be accepted.

**20. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

It was reported that no declarations of interest had been submitted.

**21. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**It was resolved** to accept the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on **2 November 2015** as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**22. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no matters raised by members of the public present.

**23. 2016/17 PRECEPT**

- (a) **It was resolved** that Cranton's Estimated Council Tax Base for 2016/17 be noted.
- (b) **It was resolved** that the precept will be further considered in January 2016 pending more information from Knowsley Council and Central Government.

**24. SWITCHING ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER TO BRITISH GAS**

The current fixed price contract with npower will finish on the 23 January 2016 and the price increase of a new fixed price contract is more than 100%. The quote from British Gas is very close to the current price and reading will be via the existing smart meter.

**It was resolved** that approval be given to switch to British Gas for a 1-year fixed rate contract.

**The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date 18 January 2016