

CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE



Minutes of the meeting of the **Finance and Policy Committee** held on **31 October 2016** at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cranton, commencing at 7.52 pm.

Present: Councillors W Cook (Chair), D Bray, S Cooper, J Foran, G McGann, G Pentin and D Rostance

In attendance: Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)
3 members of the public

12. APOLOGIES

It was resolved that apologies for absence received from Councillor P M Green be accepted.

13. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

14. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on **19 September 2016** as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

16. COUNCIL TAX REFERENDUMS

It was resolved that a letter be sent to the local MP opposing the government proposal to extend council tax referendum principles to local parish and town councils which in effect caps parish council precepts. The letter is to be signed by the Chairman.

17. PRECEPT 2017/18

Members were invited to put forward items for discussion at the next Council Meeting.

Councillor S Cooper will provide an article for the newsletter about the impact on future precepts resulting from cuts to local government spending and central government grants to Town and Parish Councils.

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed _____ Date 12 December 2016