**MINUTES OF FINANCE MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 15th JANUARY 2015 AT 9.00pm**

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|  | **PRESENT**: |

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|  | **Community Councillor** | **Community Councillor** |
|  | Paxton R Hood-Williams (PHW) | Daniel Jones (DJ) |
|  | Belinda Hansford (BH) | Warren Smart (WS) |
|  | Nigel Aubrey (NA) | Kevin White (KW) |

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|  | **Clerk:** Ian Donaldson |
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**Meeting commenced 9.00pm Community Councillor P R Hood-Williams (Chair of the Community Council) Presiding**

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| **ITEM** | **HEADING** | **ACTION BY** |
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