

**OTHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 7.15 PM ON 13 JANUARY 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Persons Present: Cllrs Kevin Hipkins; Val Moon; Jenny Hollingsworth; Teresa Irving – RFO/Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Non received from Members of the Finance Committee.
The following apology was noted: Clint Hickmott – work commitment.
2. **NOTIFICATION OF WHETHER ANYONE WISHES TO FILM, PHOTOGRAPH OR RECORD ANY ITEM:** Not applicable.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None received.
4. **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL RESERVES:** The reports that had been produced by the RFO were duly considered. All were reminded of the financial implications that will need to be considered if a Community Warden is agreed.
5. **CONSIDER 2025/2026 BUDGET PROPOSALS & PRECEPT TO REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL:** Following discussion, the Committee's recommendation to full council will be to maintain the current band D charge. This will generate a precept of £31,850.00 for 2025/26 with no change in the parish element of the council tax for residents.

If this proposal is adopted, it will result in an uplift of £2,158 in total funding.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.35 pm.