

CAPEL PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 16 JANUARY 2017
IN CAPEL PARISH HALL**

Present: Mr Salter (Chairman), Mrs Schryver, Mr Ball, Mr P Garber, Mr L Margetts, Mrs Dale, Mrs Ford and Clerk.

1 Apologies for absence: Mr D Cox and Mr McLachlan

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 End of year comparisons to 31 December 2016:

Current account - reconciled balance at 31 December 2016	£19,522.02
NS&I Savings balance at 31 December 2016	£33,234.64
(VAT to be reclaimed as at 31 December: £6,740.18)	

4 Additional budget considerations: The Committee met to discuss the application for precept from Mole Valley District Council for 2017-2018.

As areas of ground maintenance within the parish is not being undertaken by the District and County Councils, the Parish Council is currently undertaking as much as funds will allow. If an increased precept is applied for, it would allow the Parish Council to be proactive rather than working on a constricted budget throughout the year. With increased funds, the Parish Council would be able to include schemes which otherwise would be impossible.

The outgoings for 2016/17 were discussed and it was agreed to apply for a precept of £85,755.00. As this increase is approximately 50% more than the present allocation, it was agreed that a breakdown of project costs would be published on the Parish website, with a statement qualifying why the increase was required.

5 Date and time of next meeting: Monday 13 February 2017 at 8pm.