

Both gas and electricity prices dropped this week with gas dropping by 5.9% and electricity by 9.6% compared to last weeks prices. Ongoing peace talks between the US and Iran as well as a ceasefire between Russia and Ukraine pushed gas prices lower this week. Reports of Iranian ships transiting the Strait of Hormuz despite the US blockade also pushed prices lower. National gas reports stating the UK would have sufficient gas supplies in the winter under current conditions also eased market concerns. Further drops in price were limited by the large number of tankers still not moving through the Strait as well as forecasts of hot summers in Asia.

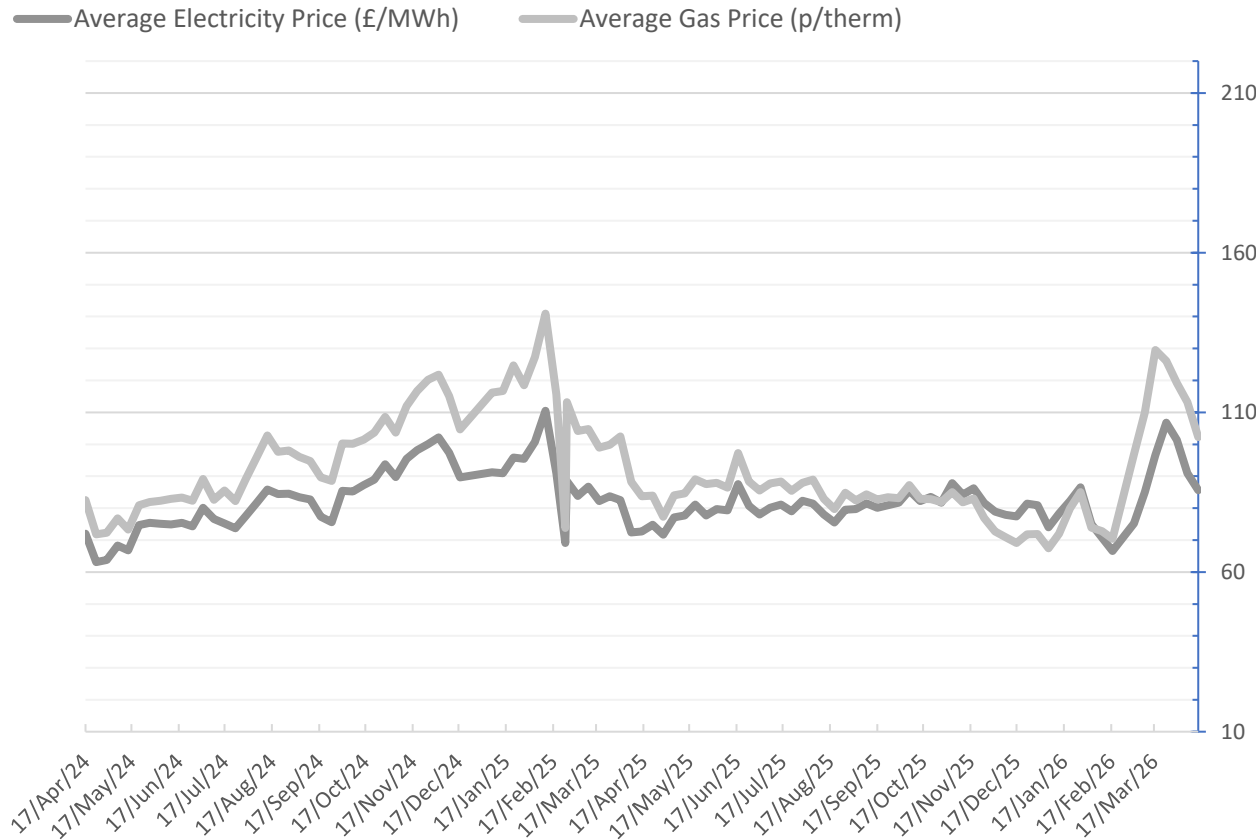
Electricity prices again followed the movements of the wider energy markets as prices dropped. An increase in wind generation also pushed prices lower.

Brent crude oil prices initially increased this week from \$95.20/bbl to \$99.36/bbl before dropping back to \$94.93/bbl. Prices increased initially as the market reacted to an attack on a Saudi Arabian oil facility despite the ongoing ceasefire. The US blockading the Strait of Hormuz and Iranian ports also pushed prices higher. Prices recovered later in the week due to the ongoing US/Iran peace talks.

Coal prices dropped throughout this week from \$106.70/t to \$103.15/t. Carbon prices initially increased from €71.67/t to €73.83/t before dropping back to €72.76/t later in the week.

The Pound strengthened against both the Euro (€1.1484 to €1.1490) and the US Dollar (\$1.3436 to \$1.3535) this week.

YEAR AHEAD PRICING (ENERGY ONLY)



Electricity (£/MWh)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
84.22	86.94	85.58

-5.9%

Gas (p/Therm)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
102.90	101.71	102.31

-9.6%

PRICE MOVEMENTS OVER PAST WEEK