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| **ODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2016** |

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| Present: Cllr S Watkin - Chairman  Cllr A Every - Vice Chairman Cllr A Betts Cllr A Cox Cllr P Davis Cllr J Sawyer  Apologies: Cllr M Green and CDC Cllr J Beale  |
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**25. Minutes of the Meetings** held on 7 July and 26 July copies of which had been previously circulated where agreed as a true record of the meetings and signed by the Chairman.

**26. Matters arising from the Minutes.**  Thames Water had been seen inspecting drains by the Old Stone House. Cllr Sawyer reported problems with drainage outside her house. It was noted that overgrown hedges had been cut back by residents. Planning Inspectors had refused permission to close the footpath from Brans Lane but there was a right of appeal. The Chairman reported that villagers had expressed concerns about a Rottweiler which had been reported as attacking another dog and the Police had been involved. The Clerk was asked to write to the owner to ask if the dog could be muzzled in public places.

27**. Declarations of Interest**. Cllrs Davis and Sawyer declared an interest in item 29 b (section 137 grants) as members of the PCC.

28**. Adjournment for public to raise issues**.

**29. Financial Issues**.

a. Accounts for payment

Council RESOLVED to pay the following accounts:

M Penfold cq 317 grass cutting £460

J Eustace cq 318 salary £333.48

J Eustace cq 319 web site £23.98

SLCC cq 320 £77.00

b. Section 13 grant

The Clerk advised that the Council was holding £700 receipt from the fete and had £150 in the budget for grants. In addition there was £4,500 in the reserve. Cllr Davis reported that fund raising for the repair to the Doom painting would begin in the New Year once the roof repairs had been completed. The cost was likely to be in excess of £24,000. It was noted that the Villager Bus had suffered a substantial reduction in grant and had cut back its services but that vehicles were now doing many more miles.

It was RESOLVED to give a grant of £1,000 to the Villager Bus and to consider a grant for the restoration of the Doom later in the year.

**30. Village Amenities and Facilities.**

Cllr Cox said that he would arrange with Newmans for the bank in Upper Oddington to be cut back before Christmas. He would also ask for the hedge on Church Road to be trimmed as necessary.

The following jobs were agreed for the Lenghtsman Scheme:

* Cut back footpath along the main road
* Repair the kerb at the junction of the main road by the Home Close exit
* Install loose setts throughout the village
* Repair the bridge at the end of the footpath by Kitsbury Cottage

The Clerk was asked to remind Highways of the subsidence on the bridge on the A436. It was agreed that Highways should be asked to consider painting warning triangles on the road on either side of the bridge.

The Clerk reported that the defibrillator had been taken to the Fox at the request of the emergency services but it had been used. It had taken 45 minutes for an ambulance to arrive from Gloucester. The Clerk was asked to right to the MP and GCC to express concern about this. It was agreed that a refresher course on its use should be arranged and that staff from both pubs should be invited to attend. The Clerk was also asked to write to GCC about the traffic on the Fosseway.

**31. Reports from Councillors –** there were none**.**

**32.** **Planning**. The Council had had no comments on the application for Woodhall. The Severn House application was due for consideration at CDC on the previous day and a decision should soon be reached. It was noted that the Braecroft application had been withdrawn and revised. It was due to be resubmitted shortly.

**33**. **Date of next meeting.** 27 October 2106

The meeting ended at 7.40 pm

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 Chairman

27 October 2016