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| **ODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2017** |

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| Present: Cllr S Watkin - Chairman  Cllr A Every - Vice Chairman Cllr A Betts  Cllr P Davis Cllr M Green Cllr J Sawyer   |
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**53. Minutes of the Meetings** held on 8 December a copy of which had been previously circulated were agreed as a true record of the meetings and signed by the Chairman.

**54. Matters arising from the Minutes.**  The Clerk reported that the Manager of the Daylesford estate had said he would arrange for repairs to be carried out to the fence in Church Road. A disc with changes to the local plan had been received from CDC. Community Heartbeat had promised to get back with dates for training but there were some staffing issues and it looked as the end of February might not be achievable. Cllr Davis reported that tenders had been received for the work to the roof of St Nicholas Church and that these were within budget.

55**. Declarations of Interest**. Cllrs Davis and Sawyer reported an interest as members of the Parochial Church Council.

56**. Adjournment for public to raise issues**. A resident reported that Thames Water had stated in writing that there was a problem with surface water and that they would be in touch early in the New Year. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways about water on the corner of Back Lane. The Chairman said that she would soon be able to make copies of the Rector’s Notebook. It was noted that a Biography was soon to be published on Harry Pennell. All Councillors would speak to contractors about keeping their sited tidy.

**57. Financial Issues**.

1. Council received a request for a grant towards the cost of the restoration of the Doom painting at St Nicholas which had been damaged as a result of vandalism. Council RESOLVED to use part of its reserve to award a s137 grant towards the costs of restoration this historic treasure.
2. Accounts for payment. Council RESOLVED to pay the following accounts:

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| OVH | 333 |  | £ 10.00  |
| Oddington Old Church  | 334 | Doom restoration | £ 1000.00 |
| Janet Eustace | 335 | Pay | £ 333.28  |

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1. Council RESOLVED to appoint Iain Selkirk as its Independent Auditor.

**58. Village Amenities and Facilities.**

The Chairman reported that she had been contacted by the Editor of the Village Newsletter about the increasing costs of production. I was noted that the cost to the Parish Council was to increase to £675 pa (ie £3 per household pa). It was agreed that OPC should meet these costs but that the Village Hall Committee be asked to consider a modest fund raising event to contribute towards this cost

It was agreed that there should be a Village Litter pick on Saturday 1 April at 2 pm. It was agreed that the litter pick should be followed by light refreshments at the Village Hall at 3 pm for those who helped at the event.

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

**60. Planning** 17/00261/FUL Change of use and extension of outbuilding to dwelling at The Old Laundry Rose Walk Back Lane Upper Oddington. No observations.

17/00295/FUL Conversion and extension of garage and single storey rear extension at Bramley House Upper Oddington. No observations subject to comments from near neighbours.

17/00168/FUL Extension and alteration to existing property. Demolition of existing garage at Lane House Sawpits Lane Lower Oddington. No observations subject to comments from near neighbours.

**61**. **Date of Next Meeting –** 23 March. The Council will receive a report from GRCC on the outcome of the Oddington Housing Needs Survey.

The meeting ended at 7.45 pm

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 Chairman

23 March 2017