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| **ODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 6 SEPTEMBER 2018** |
| Present:  Cllr A Betts – Chairman  Cllr A Every – Vice Chairman  Cllr P Davis  Cllr A Every  Cllr Griffiths  Cllr J Sawyer |
| Apologies: Cllr Green and CDC Cllr Beale  . |

1. **Minutes of the Meeting** held on 5 July 2018 copies of which had been previously circulated where agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.
2. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**

The Clerk reported that Highways had completed the work to the kerbs around the Village Hall, repairs by the Fox, the drainage at the farm entrance to Banks Farm and the flood on the lane off Back Lane. They had also marked out where the white lines and markings were to go. Highways Officers had been sent a sketch of the proposals for the verge at Banks Barn and were considering safety aspects as well as costings. When installing drainage at Banks Farm they had found a number of services under the verge on the bend and advised against installing a path there.

The Chairman advised that there had been further reports of problems with a resident’s dogs. A new fence and gate had recently been installed. The Clerk reported on the legal advice she had received from the Open Spaces Society. She had also raised the issue with GCC who are responsible for footpaths. They advised that there was no further action that they could take. Any further action would need to be legal ation by an individual or the Parish Council. It was agreed not to take further action regarding the stiles on the footpath to the rear of Holy Ascension

The Clerk reported that Bromford had replied to the Council’s request that an empty property be allocated to a local family saying that the property had already been allocated following an open, transparent process.

The Clerk was asked to check Highways plans for repairing the subsidence on the railway bridge.

It was agreed that the usual people be asked to litter pick their parts of the village in the autumn.

1. **Declarations of Interest**. Cllrs Davis and Sawyer declared an interest in item 27 as members of OPCC.
2. **Adjournment for public to raise issues**. A resident spoke about concerns and nuisance caused by dogs in the vicinity of a public footpath but recognised that the Council had taken all possible steps. He thanked the Parish Council for securing the recent improvements in the village. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask highways to cut back the hedge along the footpath on the A road and also ask if there were any methods of preventing cyclists from speeding through the village.
3. **Financial issues**.

Council RESOLVED under s137 of the LGA 1972 to make a grant of £1550.72 to OPCC, this being 60% of the profit arising from the village festival.

**Accounts for payment**

Council RESOLVED to pay the following accounts:

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| Chris Small | 21-Jul |  | 407 | £ 72.00 |
| Justine Morgan | 25-Jul |  | 408 | £ 370.97 |
| Hello Print | 06-Sep |  | 409 | £ 126.95 |
| JE Open Spaces Sub | 06-Sep |  | 410 | £ 45.00 |
| JE web site | 06-Sep |  | 411 | £ 23.98 |
| OVH | 06-Sep |  | 412 | £ 10.00 |
| OPCC | 06-Sep |  | 413 | £ 1,550.72 |
| JE salary | 06-Sep |  | 414 | £ 333.48 |
| M Penfold | 06-Sep |  | 415 | £ £330.00 |

1. **Village Amenities and facilities**

* Highway issues

Speedwatch. The Clerk reported that 3 residents had volunteered for Speedwatch and training had been booked for 18 September. She would put notices on the Boards in case others wished to be involved.

* WW1 Poppy Walk

The Clerk reported that the map and guide had been circulated to all residents with the September newsletter. A walk had been organised starting at 6pm at Oddington Top ending with a reception at Holy Ascension where there would be a small exhibition. The vicar had been invite to say a few words. Justin Morgan and the Clerk were thanked for all their work on this project.

* Fete proceeds – possible projects

Cllr Griffiths said she would bring some proposals to the October meeting which would also consider additional bulb planting in the village. Cllr Davis reported that OPCC would, subject to the agreement of OPC, be installing a notice board outside St Nicholas’ church. The Council welcomed this development.

1. **Reports from Councillors**

There were none.

1. **Planning.**

There were no applications to be considered.

1. **Date of next meeting. 6 September** **2018**.

The meeting ended at 7.45 pm

25 October 2018

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