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| **ODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2021** |
| Present: Cllr D Thorpe - Chairman  Cllr S Griffiths – Deputy Chairman  Cllr S Canning  Cllr Cox  Cllr M Green  Cllr J Sawyer    GCC Cllr Mackenzie Charrington  And 6 members of the pubic. |

Apologies: Cllr Every and CDC Cllr Cunningham

1. **Minutes of the Meetings** 28 October 2021 which had been previously circulated were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.
2. **Matters arising from the Minutes.** Cllr Griffiths was thanked for lighting the village Christmas tree. The Clerk reported that there had been no volunteers for the Speedwatch training.
3. **Declarations of Interest**. There were none.
4. A**djournment for public to raise issues.** It was agreed that there should be an article in the newsletter about accessing the defibrillators. Councillors would ask contacts to see if a free training session could be arranged. Concerns were raised about the possible exterior lighting at the Fox and the Clerk was asked to raise this with Cllr Cunningham
5. **Parking in Lower Oddington.** The Chairman updated the meeting. James Roberts had suggested parking on Daylesford owned land adjacent to Holy Ascension however a number of neighbouring residents had objected and it was a long way from the pub so this appeared to be a none starter. All possible options had now been considered but none had been suitable. The Council would continue to monitor the position.
6. **Financial issues**.
7. **Accounts for payment**

Council RESOLVED to make the following payments:

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| Penfold | 16/12/2021 |  | 87 |  |  | £ 190.00 |
| JE website | 16/12/2021 |  | 88 |  |  | £ 18.00 |
| cancelled |  |  | 89 |  |  |  |
| HMRC | 16/12/2021 |  | 90 |  |  | £ 133.60 |
| OVH | 16/12/2021 |  | 91 |  |  | £ 11.00 |
| JE wages | 16/12/2021 |  | 92 |  |  | £ 356.50 |
| kopyrite | 16/12/2021 |  | 93 |  |  | £ 300.00 |
| Penfold | 16/12/2021 |  | 94 |  |  | £ 330.00 |

1. **Budget and Precept**

The Council received details of expenditure against budget for the current year and considered the budget for 22/23. It was noted that there had been an unbudgeted receipt for the newsletter and that, as a consequence, expenditure on this head was higher than planned. Council agree that the precept be raised from £7,100 pa to £7,300 (an increase from £29 pa per dwelling to £29.40). It was noted that the District Council was proposing to devolve election costs to Parishes from 2023 and that this could substantially increase the precept.

Council noted that and of year reserve was estimated to be £11,029 of which £3492 is earmarked for the newsletter and £924 for the fete. It was agreed that £3000 be moved to an earmarked reserve for the playground leaving £3,613 in the general reserve. Two residents said they would like to make a donation to the costs of refurbishing the playground and were thanked by the Council.

The Council received a bank reconciliation and noted that there was £13,528 in the Council’s account on 4 December.

1. **Village Amenities and Facilities**

It was noted that the grass cutting contract expires this year and the clerk was asked to establish whether any grounds maintenance contractors would like to be considered.

1. **Reports from Councillors**

Cllr MacKenzie Charrington had circulated a written report which was noted. He reported on future roadworks and was asked to establish when repairs would be carried out on the Adlestrop bridge. He reminded the Council of grants available from the County Council

Cllr Cunnigham had submitted a written report the content of which was noted.

1. **Planning.**

* 21/04273/FUL Full Application for Raising the roof to allow loft studio with two new dormers at The Forge Barn Lower Oddington. **No objections**.
* 21/03777/LBC | Single storey replacement rear extension and works to grounds including alterations to retaining walls, and internal alterations | Latimer Farm Upper Oddington. **No objections**
* 21/03839/FUL | Replacement of the entrance porch, with replacement external doors and windows and alterations to garage - Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) of permission 21/01921/FUL to amend design of approved scheme | Apple Trees Back Lane Upper Oddington **No objections**

1. **The schedule of meetings** for 2022 was agreed.
2. **Date of next meeting: 27 January 2022** – 6.30 pm
3. The Chairman wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

The meeting ended at 7.25 pm.

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Chairman

27 January 2022