CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL 2022-23 ACCOUNTS

EXPLANATION OF VARIANCES ON ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

Line 2 – our precept was increased because our spending needs were higher in 2022-23 than the previous year.

Line $3 - \ln 2021-22$ we received a £500 grant from Oxfordshire County Council to assist with the cost of maintaining the defibrillator, and which will be spent over a number of years – no grant was applied for this year as we still have funds in hand.

Line 6 – There were two extra significant extra costs this year – the war memorial refurbishment at a cost of £900 and tree surgery costing £200, to raise the canopy of the yew trees in the churchyard which were overhanging the adjacent road. The tree work may need to be repeated after two or three years but further work on the war memorial is not planned in the foreseeable future. Administration costs have also increased, as we are now paying for our email service as well as for bank charges. There were no traffic campaign costs this year other than payment for a parking sign for Farm Lane, but the noticeboard was repaired at a cost of £61.32 but should not need any more attention for a while. £66 (net) was spent on litter pick bin hoops, which are now added to our asset register.

Sue Bremner-Milne Responsible Financial Officer 25 April 2023