

**Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in
Brook Village Hall Meeting Room on Thursday, 21st January 2016**

Present

John Tomkins (Chair)
Janet Jessop
Larry Linin

Simon Betty
Janet Medhurst

To be actioned by

The meeting started at 7.00pm	
Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Mrs Finn and Miss Jane Martin	
Declaration of interest in items on the agenda There were no declarations of interest.	
Minutes of the Meeting on 18 th December 2015 were approved as a true record.	
Matters Arising from the Minutes The Clerk had photocopied 75 copies of the latest leaflet and guillotined them ready for distribution.	
Playground The only remedial work required is the signs on the gate have sharp edges protruding. The grass is too wet to cut at the moment. It was agreed that a village clean up day be organised for 5 th March at 10am, meeting at the hall. When the grass can be cut in the play area, litter through the village picked up and the cleaning off of the algae from the adult exercise equipment. The Clerk is to organise the litter collection equipment from Ashford Borough Council. A notice will be put in the magazine and the local paper.	All TB
Caretaker Scheme The advert for the caretaker is in the paper this week. The short-listing of applications will be undertaken on 1 st February interviews by the 4 Chairmen will take place on 7 th February. It was suggested that the village should be informed of the plans at the Parish Council Meeting on 18 th February. The Clerk is to produce a flyer for this to be circulated to all parishioners once the availability for the hall has been checked.	TB
Finances The Financial Statement was circulated and a budget against expenditure was also circulated. 2 cheques were signed for Farthing Common Plant Centre (Christmas Tree), Pilgrims Hospice (Christmas Tree removal)	
Correspondence The Clerk had circulated all correspondence. The beacon lighting for the Queen's Birthday was discussed. It is going to be suggested to the Honest Miller as they have a field where they could light a bonfire. The Clerk is to be informed of the result so that she can let the powers that be know of the arrangements.	LL/JT
Public Participation There were no members of the Public to comment.	
Any Other Business Dog waste – The Clerk was asked to chase the signs from Colin the Dog Warden. Speeding is a problem through the village, Cllr Linin suggested sleeping policemen to slow the traffic down near the school. It was suggested he speak with Dave about this. The Clerk is to contact the local PCSO about the same issue but Kent Highways are very unlikely to invest in any speed limiting action because there is insufficient crash data for this area.	LL TB

