Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday, 16th October 2014

Present John Tomkins in the Chair

Erica Forbes Janet Medhurst Simon Betty Janet Jessop

To be actioned by The meeting started at 7.00pm Apologies had been received from Peter Webb Declaration of interest in items on the agenda Cllr Betty declared a pecuniary interest in the item on aircraft noise as he holds a pilots license albeit he has not flown since 1997. **Minutes** of the Meeting on 18th September 2014 were approved as a true record. **Matters Arising from the Minutes** The Clerk was asked to find out the cost of a Christmas tree, an apple sapling will be purchased by Cllr Betty for reimbursement from the Council to replace the one that was damaged last winter, this will cost TB circa £15 and a protector will also be purchased for this. **Finances** The Financial Statement was circulated. There were no cheques to be signed. A budget against expenditure was also circulated. **Caretaker Scheme** A list of jobs that could be undertaken in the area has been compiled and Councillors have been asked to list them in priority from 1 to 10. Cllr Tomkins is to assemble the responses in to an ordered list for inclusion with other parishes for discussion with ABC. **Playgrounds** It was suggested that a log book/list for weekly checks on the playground should be formulated listing what has been looked at, what needs repair/replacing, this would then be signed weekly on a rotational basis. The Clerk is to look in to what needs completing from the report from RoSPA and also to obtain prices for TB a sign that says "Use Playground at Own Risk." This is to be discussed at the next meeting. Aircraft Noise A letter has been received from a resident of Brook expressing dissatisfaction about the increase in aircraft noise in Brook. A .pdf document was circulated explaining that there is nothing that can be done about this as a private pilot's license only allows flying in good weather. The Chiddingstone issue highlighted in the letter was part of a national discussion and Chiddingstone took part due to their proximity to Gatwick. A letter will be written to the resident highlighted these points. Correspondence The Clerk had circulated all correspondence. **PCSO Andrew Huckstepp Report** PCSO Andrew Huckstepp reported that no crimes have been committed this month. Residents are encouraged to keep up with security. **Any Other Business** Cllr Jessop is to bring a plan of the village to the next meeting for each Councillor. The 30mph signs will be installed in the near future, there has been some delay in obtaining road closures for their installation. Cllr Betty is to contact Ashford Borough Council about the trees that are overhanging at the entrance to the Village Hall.

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 20 th November 2014, the Clerk would like any items for the	All
agenda by Monday 10 th October, please.	
There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 7.50 PM.	