Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday, 17th June 2010

Present Tony Alcock in the Chair Peter Webb

Erica Forbes Tony Dunn Bob Scarfe

There was one member of the public present.

The meeting started at 7.00pm

Peter Webb and Erica Forbes declared and interest in the Church and Peter Webb declared an interest in the Village Hall.

Minutes of the Meeting on 20th May 2010 were approved as a true record.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

The lights need to be investigated further as the 50m stretches of lights appear to have LED lights that would be too small.

The rubbish collection took place but only 2 Councillors took part, this was a disappointing result.

Cllr Alcock said he is going to speak to the Head Teacher about the rubbish outside the school and on Spelders Hill.

The Gas board has been contacted but as yet have not responded.

Line Markings on the approach to Brook from Hinxhill

The road signs have been painted on one approach to the School but not the other way. The Clerk agreed to follow this up with Kent Highways.

Review of the Parish Plan – subjects 1 - 7

- 1-Traffic Calming. 40 mph signs have been erected throughout the village, this recommendation is considered complete.
- 2 Swimming Pool. There is no funding available for this and there would seem to be little interest in it.
- 3 Cycle Path to Wye. The landowners have changed and there is concern over the legalities of insurance which has resulted in this not being achieved
- 4 Village Hall Events. The Village Hall Trust is covering this and they struggle to gather the enthusiasm over new events. The trust raises ideas in its meetings.
- 5 School Car Park. There has been no progress. Parking is a problem and the school is very aware of the issue. No funding is available to make a car park and therefore parking at school times remains ongoing.

- 6 Broadband. This issue is now resolved but the system is still slow. The users continue to be aware of the problem.
- 7 Flooding resolution. The environment agency has now taken the problem on board and the issues seem to have been resolved.

The Financial Statement was approved.

Cheque number 000596 was signed for Lawncare for £128, they are to be requested to ensure they strim the entrance to the village hall and recreation ground.

Peter Webb asked whether the Parish Council would contribute some money towards the Church. The Parish Council agreed to give a contribution of £100 towards the upkeep of the Churchyard. Cheque number 000597 was signed Brook PCC for £100.

Tree Warden

The Tree Warden requested that a notice advertising the walk around Brook Woods be produced by the beginning of July.

Any Other Business

The road signs need cleaning Tony Dunn and John Tomkins agreed to undertake this. Kent Highways are to be asked to cut back the vegetation round the signs as they are being obscured.

Peter Webb reported that the Church had suffered an attempted burglary with a club hammer.

The driveway to the village hall is requiring an application of weed killer, Peter Webb agreed to undertake this.

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 22nd July 2010, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 12th July, please.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.20 pm.