

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
BROOK PARISH COUNCIL ON 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

Present: Cllr Tomkins (Chair) Cllr Betty  
Cllr Finn Cllr Jessop  
Cllr Linin Cllr Medhurst

		To be actioned by
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
	There were no apologies for absence received.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Declaration of Interest</b>	
	There were no declarations of interest..	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising</b>	
	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
	Kent Highways have not yet completed the potholes. The Christmas tree is up and it was a good shape this year. A small delegation of Councillors attended the borough Council workshop on the village confines. A grant of £600 has been promised to the drama group.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Public session</b>	
	There was one member of the public in attendance.	
<b>6</b>	<b>Finances</b>	
	<p>a. To note/authorise the following:</p> <p>i. To note the Parish Council's Financial position <i>The Parish Council bank balance as at 30/11/2018 was £4231.13.</i></p> <p>ii. To authorise payments There were no cheques for signing</p> <p>iii. The draft budget was discussed and it was agreed to precept for £7800 plus the Council Tax Grant and Concurrent Functions Grant for 2019-20.</p> <p>A copy of the budget v expenditure was distributed to all Councillors.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment</b>	
	The bench is to be repaired if possible and the remedial work highlighted in the RoSPA report will be undertaken by Paul, if possible. A resident of Brook bank had contacted Cllr Betty regarding the beech tree on the recreation ground. On viewing it, it is large and it would be useful if it were trimmed at the crown. It was agreed that the Clerk would obtain 3 quotes for this work.	TB
<b>8</b>	<b>Planning Matters</b>	
	Planning Application: 18/01722 was discussed. It was agreed that no objections were raised but the Council respectfully requests that the Officer consider the comments of the neighbours. The Village confines map has been discussed at the Village Seasonal Morning and it was felt that there was a minor adjustment to be suggested prior to submission.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	It was noted that Punch Taverns have put the pub up for sale and it was suggested that the PC should write to them. The pub is a listed building and is also registered as an Asset of Community Value. It was questioned as to what would happen if the repairs that are required were not carried out.	

	Punch Taverns have put the business up for sale and have sacked the Manager. What if the Community want to buy it? The community will have the opportunity.	
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 28 February 2019.</p> <p>The following meetings are:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Thursday 21 March 2019</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Thursday 18 April 2019</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Thursday 16 May 2019</p>	
	The meeting closed at 7.50pm	

Signed: .....

Date: .....