

**Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in
Brook Village Hall on Thursday, 19th April 2018**

Present	John Tomkins(Chair) Alison Finn Larry Linin	Simon Betty Janet Jessop Janet Medhurst
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To be actioned by

The meeting started at 7.00pm	
Apologies for absence There were no apologies for absence.	
Declaration of interest in items on the agenda There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.	
Minutes of the Meeting on 15 th March 2018 were approved as a true record.	
Matters Arising from the Minutes The Clerk had reported the missing speed limit repeater signs and requested the “not suitable for heavy goods” signs. She is awaiting a response/action on these. Cllr Tomkins has been in touch with the speed awareness personnel and is awaiting a response.	
Planning There were no further applications to be discussed	
Local Plan Submission Cllr Betty circulated the guidance issued by the Planning Inspectorate. It is likely to be an inquisitorial discussion about the reasoning behind the basis of the letter sent to Ashford in August. Cllr Betty said he would be using the judgements of the Barwood case and the Suffolk Coastal District Council case and his argument will also be based on the lack of sustainability for such a build in Brook at that location.	
Finances The Financial Statement was circulated and a budget against expenditure was also circulated. There is £3724.84 available in the bank. No cheques were written. The Parish Council undertook a review of the system of internal controls in place and felt these were all satisfactory. The Parish Council agreed and signed the Certificate of Exemption for the audit this year as both income and expenditure were less than £25,000 by a significant amount.	
Any Other Business The land at the end of Nats Lane was covered in rubbish, one of the Councillors has been along and collected the rubbish up. The Caretaker is looking for a site for his caravan. Cllr Linin had attended a meeting about the Caretaker, the committee is looking at extra work the Caretaker could undertake. Cllr Linin is to approach the Cricket Club and maybe the church. There is another meeting on 18 th June. Cllr Tomkins had been approached with regard to the pot holes on the driveway to the Village Hall. The Caretaker is to fill these once Cllr Tomkins has purchased the necessary material to complete the job. Cllr Betty had been approached by Wye Parish Council about circulating some newsletters. It was suggested instead that the Clerk put a link to Wye Parish Council website. Cllr Finn and Jessop are beginning the next issue of the Brook newsletter. The Clerk has been undertaking some work on the GDPR, the Parish Council have agreed to appoint	LL JT TB AF/JJ

Satswana as their Data Protection Officers. It was suggested that there could be a special walking route for families in Brook. This will require additional thought.	
Public Session There were no members of public present.	
The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 17 th May 2018, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 7 th May, please.	All

The meeting closed at 7.55pm