

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
BROOK PARISH COUNCIL ON 21st FEBRUARY 2019**

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

There was one member of public in attendance.

		To be actioned by
1	Apologies	
	There were no apologies for absence received.	
2	Declaration of Interest	
	Cllr Finn declared an interest in Planning Application No: 19/00189.	
3	Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising	
	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.	
4	Matters Arising	
	The repairs to the bench will be undertaken in the Spring. The Honest Miller has now re-opened. The owners of this are Admiral Taverns. The Clerk has received one quote for the work to the trees on the playing field – 2 additional quotes are to be sought.	TB
5	Public session	
	The member of public had no comments to make.	
6	Finances	
	<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 31/01/2019 was £3697.12.</i></p> <p>ii. To authorise payments There was a cheque signed for the gift to the Village Caretaker for £50.</p> <p>A copy of the budget v expenditure was distributed to all Councillors.</p>	
7	To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment	
	The bridge is to be looked at and repaired by Paul. The flooring on the platform of the play area needs to be repaired. Paul is to remove the cement from the brook.	
8	Planning Matters	
	<p>Planning Application 19/00189 was discussed. This is an application for "outline consent" which would allow a set number of houses on the site, this will increase the value of the land to be sold on to the developer. Cllr Betty presented a draft response to the Parish Council which highlighted the gardens being outside of the suggested village confines as presented by Ashford Borough Council. Cllr Betty will circulate his comments once further detail has been included and all Councillors can comment prior to submission to Ashford Borough council by 15th March.</p> <p>Planning Application 19/00197 was discussed . This is an application for permitted development rights. It was agreed that comments would be sent back to acknowledge receipt of this application but the Council respectfully requests that the Officer consider the comments of the neighbours.</p>	
9	Any Other Business	
	Electoral Nominations: The Councillors had the forms and began completing them.	

	<p>It was noted that there are vehicles parking in the back entrance to the hospital.</p> <p>The man-hole cover in the road by the bend in Nats Lane, heading towards the cattery has moved and needs reporting to Kent Highways.</p> <p>The sign at the top of Spelders Hill has been replaced.</p> <p>There is a defibrillator outside the school.</p> <p>CLlr Tomkins will organise speed watch training, the Councillors were asked to provide suitable dates.</p> <p>A litter pick will take place on 23rd March at 10am. Cllrs Finn and Jessop will provide a newsletter to tell residents and the Clerk will complete the risk assessment and request the litter-pick equipment from the Borough Council.</p> <p>It was agreed that some crocus bulbs should be planted round the trees in Brook on the green.</p>	AF/JJ TB
10	<p>Date of the Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 21 March 2019.</p> <p>The following meetings are:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Thursday 18 April 2019</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Thursday 16 May 2019</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 7.50pm</p>	

Signed:

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