## Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Present	Tony Dunn in the Chair
	Erica Forbes

John Tomkins Bob Scarfe

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The meeting started at 7.00pm	
Apologies had been received from Cllrs Webb and Benson.	
<b>Declaration of interest in items on the agenda</b> There were no declarations of interest regarding items on the agenda	
<b>Minutes</b> of the Meeting on 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2011 were approved as a true record.	
Matters Arising from the Minutes Beacon – The Parish council are to consider having a bonfire beacon on the recreation ground and to discuss joining with the Village Hall Committee to make it more of a community event. Bench – A photograph of the bench has been given to the Clerk to be kept on file.	PW
School Shelving – A quote has been requested and the Headteacher has agreed to give this to Cllr Webb.	PW
<b>Brook Sign</b> – Sean Pierce has not completed this as yet, Cllrs Dunn and Tomkins agreed they would chase him about this.	AD/JT
<b>Cleaning of Post Box and Telephone Box</b> – if this has not already been completed Cllrs Dunn and Tomkins offered to undertake this.	AD/JT
<b>Proposed Bus re-routing</b> The response from Stagecoach was circulated to all of the Councillors. This response seems inadequate as the service via Hastingleigh leaves Wye at 7.25 and does not return to Wye at all. This would not enable users to get to Wye for appointments at the Doctors etc.	
It was suggested that the Kent Karrier service could be asked to go through Wye after collecting from Brook to enable the users to get in to Wye. The Clerk is to undertake this.	ТВ
<b>Christmas Lights</b> The Village Hall Committee members did help to put the lights up as agreed but unfortunately there were very few volunteers to dismantle them. The Christmas tree lights are in a very bad state of repair. It has, therefore, been agreed that a new site and new lights be sought. The Parish Council are to suggest (via Cllr Mrs Forbes) to the PCC that a tree be purchased and planted, to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, in the Churchyard. This can then be decorated at Christmas time with a new set of white lights. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.	EF
<b>Finances</b> The Financial Statement was circulated The following cheques were signed: Brook PCC - £20 for the electricity used A Dunn - £34.80 for light bulbs and photocopying	
<b>Tree Wardens Report</b> The tree warden was thanked for his comprehensive report this month.	
Any Other Business A summary of the minutes is to be put in the paper as well as any other news following Brook Parish Council Meetings	ТВ

The Public Rights of Way map has collapsed due to the legs of the sign rotting through. Sean Pierce has the sign. It was agreed that the Clerk would take advice as to what to do next from Faye Faiers, the PROW Officer for our area.	
One of the reflective bollards near the transformer outside Kimberley has been damaged. The Clerk will report this.	
There was an accident recently where a parked car was hit and shunted with force in to the Brook. The photographs are to be sent to Kent Highways requesting a reduction in the speed limit to 30mph.	
<b>The next meeting</b> was confirmed as Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2012, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February, please.	
There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.10 PM.	