

**Minutes of Brook Parish Council Annual General Meeting held in the
Village Hall on Thursday, 15th May 2014**

Present Peter Webb in the Chair
John Tomkins

Janet Jessop

To be actioned by

The meeting started at 7.00pm	
Apologies had been received from Erica Forbes	
Declaration of interest in items on the agenda There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.	
Minutes of the Meeting on 17 th April 2014 were approved as a true record.	
Matters Arising from the Minutes Village Hall Plans – The extension plans have been passed and the village hall committee are progressing with the planned extension. Village Clean Up – The village clean up was well attended again this year with 17 people taking part. Signs were cleaned except for the Hinxhill sign. Playground – The new playground mats were installed under the swings and the side mats will be placed in June, Cllrs Webb, Tomkins and Betty agreed to undertake this.	PW, JT & SB
Vacancies Mrs Medhurst and Mr Betty were welcomed as Councillors having signed their acceptance of Office and Code of Conduct forms.	
Election of Officers John Tomkins proposed Peter Webb as Chairman, Simon Betty seconded this. Janet Medhurst proposed John Tomkins as Vice-Chairman, Simon Betty seconded this.	
Signing of Annual Accounts The Annual Accounts were presented to the meeting. The Annual Accounting Statement was signed. The Annual Statement of Accounting Governance was also signed.	
Finances The Financial Statement was circulated. The following cheques was signed: Lawncare - £160.00 Aon Ltd - £722.88 KALC - £153.79 PCC - £100.00 Hall - £100.00 Museum - £100.00 Mrs A MacCormack - £60.00 Play Safety Mats – £253.85	
Any Other Business The PCSO had sent a report which will be circulated to the Councillors. Shed crimes are on the rise in the area. Tree ringing has been undertaken outside Myowna Lodge, it was agreed that the wound would be packed and a close eye kept upon this. Some work is required to the trees around the recreation ground and it was agreed that this would be discussed with some of the villagers to be looked at in	TB

<p>the autumn.</p> <p>Charity collectors have been out in the villages lately, they are giving residents a hard-sell approach and this will be monitored as if causing too much of a nuisance, the Council will need to contact Ashford Borough Council to put pressure on not giving these charities a license to go door to door.</p>	
<p>The maps that were circulated as to where the roads begin and end was discussed, the version 2 that Kent Highways produced is considered to be the correct version. The Clerk is to contact Kent Highways regarding this.</p>	TB
<p>The bridge on the footpath as it leaves the playing field has a very loose hand rail, the Clerk is to contact the Paths Partnership about this issue.</p>	TB
<p>A complaint has been received about the state of the property at Manuels, this is looking to be improving so the Council will not act just yet.</p>	
<p>A complaint has been received about the signs at Pickersdane, etc advertising the Honest Miller. Councillors will speak with the landlord about obtaining proper signs.</p>	
<p>There is an issue with throwing bags of dog waste on the ground on one path in Brook. The Clerk is to contact the dog warden to see if a sign can be obtained.</p>	TB
<p>The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 26th June 2014, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 16th June, please.</p>	All
<p>There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.20 PM.</p>	