Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in Brook Village Hall Meeting Room on Thursday, 17th November 2016

Present John Tomkins (Chair)

Alison Finn Janet Medhurst Simon Betty Janet Jessop

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The meeting started at 7.00pm	
Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Linin.	
Declaration of interest in items on the agenda	
There were no interests to declare.	
Minutes of the Meeting on 20 th October 2016 were approved as a true record.	
Matters Arising from the Minutes	
The Clerk has contacted the PCSO regarding the parking and vehicles at Mayfield, Nats Lane.	
The Caretaker is working in Brook on a Monday, his presence is evident. It was noted that he will be busy soon cutting the hedge on Spelders Hill. Lawncare pulling out of the hedge cutting has meant that a few of the residents that used Lawncare for hedge cutting have been left adrift. This is, however, a private matter and not something that the Parish Council can become involved with.	
Finances	
The Financial Statement was circulated and a budget against expenditure was also circulated.	
There is £4222.76 available in the bank.	
The Parish Council discussed the draft budget circulated to the Councillors.	
The Parish Councillors agreed to set the precept at £7100.	
Planning Applications	
There was 1 application to discuss:	
Three Ways: The Parish Council raises no objection.	
Moles	
The Chairman had discussed the problem with the caretaker who thought that some of the holes are	
rabbit holes rather than moles. The Clerk had a price for pest control. This is £540 per annum.	
It was agreed that the Parish Council and the caretaker will endeavour to solve the problem and back fill some of the holes.	
Some of the holes.	
Correspondence	
There was no additional correspondence to be discussed.	
Public Participation	
The member of the public had nothing further to add.	
Any Other Business	
The Parish Council has been given 100 bulbs to plant. It was agreed that a planting date would be agreed via email communications.	
The bench at Stonebridge will need some maintenance, a specification had been produced by Cllr Betty. The Chairman is to ask Susan Wood if the Caretaker could complete this in the spring.	JT

It was proposed that the next newsletter has an item explaining the Parish Council's position as far as the planning process is concerned.	ТВ
There are some concerns about the speed of vehicles through the village.	
Cllr Tomkins reported that he had attended the Highways morning. Highways England are responsible for the motorways NOT KCC so litter picking cannot be undertaken on the slip roads by KCC.	
Cllr Tomkins has spoken to Gareth regarding clashing dates. It was also noted that the sign at the Honest Miller is blocking visibility for motorists.	JT
It was agreed that the Christmas Tree will be ordered and put up on Monday 5 th December.	All
The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 15 th December 2016, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 5 th December, please.	All
There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 7.40 PM.	