

**Minutes of Brook Parish Council Meeting held in the  
Village Hall on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

**Present** Peter Webb in the Chair  
Janet Medhurst

Simon Betty  
John Tomkins

To be actioned by

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| The meeting started at 7.00pm   |     |
| Apologies were received from Erica Forbes and Janet Jessop  |     |
| <b>Declaration of interest in items on the agenda</b><br>There were no declarations of interest.  |     |
| <b>Minutes</b> of the Meeting on 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2015 were approved as a true record.  |     |
| <b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b><br>The 40mph signs have now all been removed.<br>Peter Webb explained that it is not his intention to stand again in the May elections and so Councillors are encouraged to consider if there is anyone else whom they think might be interested in becoming a Councillor.  | TB  |
| <b>Finances</b><br>The Financial Statement was circulated.<br>There was 1 cheque to be signed, Fenland Leisure Products for £105.60.<br>A budget against expenditure was also circulated.   |     |
| <b>Playground</b><br>The chains have arrived and been shortened to fit the swings. Weekly inspections of the playground are being undertaken.<br>It was agreed that Cllr Tomkins would discuss soft surfacing for the playground with a contact he has. The Clerk will obtain a brochure for new/replaced equipment as the fall height of the tower no longer meets the required specification. This will be discussed at the March meeting with the intention of applying for a lottery grant.<br>As the fence needs re-stapling it was agreed that the cost of hiring staple gun would be investigated. |     |
| <b>Planning Applications</b><br>A planning application has been received. This will be circulated.  |     |
| <b>Correspondence</b><br>The Clerk had circulated all correspondence.   |     |
| <b>Public Participation</b><br>The pot hole on the bend on the road to Nacolts was discussed, the Clerk will report this.   |     |
| <b>Any Other Business</b><br>The mud on Amage Road had been reported to one of the Councillors.<br>The pub is to be registered as a Community Asset as soon as possible.  |     |
| <b>The next meeting</b> was confirmed as Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2015, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March, please.  | All |
| There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 7.40 PM.  |     |
| <b>This meeting was followed by a Public Meeting to discuss a Community Emergency Plan</b>  |     |
| Cllr Webb thanked the 7 members of the public for attending the meeting. The community emergency  |     |

plan was explained and the need for a plan was outlined by Cllr Webb.

It was agreed that a Community Emergency Team would be created and it needs a co-ordinator and assistant co-ordinator. Cllr Betty agreed to be the co-ordinator and Cllr Mrs Medhurst to be the assistant. In addition to those present Mrs Mary Wyatt, the Arnott and Williams families had both expressed an interest in helping where possible.

It was agreed that the need to help the people is a priority.

It was suggested that Tom Kemp and Mrs Alex Long be approached as resident farmers who may be able to help. Also, it was suggested that the vulnerable could be identified by talking with the postman.

Cllr Betty is to organise a meeting to put together the emergency plan in the near future.