

Minutes of Brooke Parish Council site meeting held on Saturday 28th January 2016 at the Meres, The Street, Brooke at 9.30am

Present: Mr Jinks, Mr Warman, Mr Musgrave, Mrs Beardsell, Mr Sanford, Mr Harrison, Mr Tobin and Mr Mears.

Apologies: Mrs Powell and Mrs Andrews (Clerk)

Dog bins

It was agreed there are six existing bins as listed in the email from South Norfolk Council. It was felt that twice-weekly collections are unnecessary; provided the costs will reduce, it was agreed that the collections should be reduced to weekly with immediate effect. The effectiveness of this will be monitored over the next few weeks in case it becomes clear that weekly collections are not enough.

Highways direction signs

Both signs at the Meres (one at the west end of the west Mere, one at the Hunstead Lane junction) were inspected and it was agreed that both should be refurbished in accordance with their original specification. The Hunstead Lane one needs to be straightened too. It was agreed that both signs should be nominated for the TV project "The repair shop", which will hopefully fund all the costs. If this fails, or they agree to fund one only, quotes for procuring the works at the PC's expense will be sought. The attached photos can be used to support the request.

Meres

It was agreed that some self-sown shrubs e.g. elders need to be removed to improve the views of the Meres. Mrs Beardsell will mark the trees and advise the Clerk how they have been marked. The Clerk will be asked to contact Clinks Care Farm and ask them to remove the marked plants on their next visit, and remove the cuttings. Councillors did not expect there to be an additional charge for this work, but if they do want to make a charge, this needs to be considered before they start the work. It was agreed not to have a Spring working party.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.15am



