

6.	<p>Palmstead. There was a general discussion about the state of the bees and equipment at Palmstead. Until the hives were re-queened it was agreed that the normal weekly hive checks would be put on hold. There also needs to be a better, more formal handover/takeover process. At the same time, work needs to be done to increase the number of National brood and 14x12 frames with foundation available. Whilst 14x12 foundation is available there appears to be a lack of National brood and super foundation. Either, a working party on site needs to be established or agreement to work from home. (Perhaps a task for the Newbies?).</p> <p>There was also discussion on the possibility of approaching KBKA with a plan to purchase a plot of land, say half an acre, as an apiary site. The land would be owned by KBKA, but used by the Canterbury Branch. DC and JA would investigate what land might be available and its cost and a proposal would be put to KBKA.</p> <p>MR raised the danger of turning right out of Palmstead as the brow of the hill prevented traffic being seen and sound was largely absorbed by the woods. Whilst a mirror could not be erected on private or public land it was agreed that the matter should be raised with Sally to mitigate or even eliminate the danger.</p>	All DC, JA MR
7.	<p>Meeting 5th August. Currently no decision has been made on the apiary site for the August meeting and offers needed to be sought urgently. Steve's Westbere site was a proposition.</p>	DC, All
8.	<p>Christmas Party. Following the great success of last year's Christmas Party it was agreed that the favoured date this year was Friday 1st December.</p>	MC, All