Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday 17 May 2021 held in Beechen Hall Carpark following on from the Parish Council Meeting commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr J Willmott – Chair, I Davies Mrs P Huntingford, V Davies, A Brindle, B Hinder, W Salter, C Sheppard, H Monk and L Clarke together with Mrs D Baylis, Clerk

- 1 Apologies and absences None
- 2. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying None.
- 3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 May 2021** The minutes were agreed and would be signed when possible.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Any other matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda. None

To adjourn to allow members of the public to address the meeting.

No members of the public were present

5. Planning Applications for Consideration – Decision

21/502290/FULL 1 The Medlars, Maidstone, Kent. ME14 5RZ

Conversion of garage into habitable space including external alterations. **Boxley Parish Council** have no material planning reasons to object to this application.

21/502276/FULL 22 Goldstone Walk, Boxley, ME5 9QB

Part single, part two storey front extension and conversion of garage into habitable space with external alterations.

Boxley Parish Council have no material planning reasons to object to this application.

21/502393/TPOA 4 Silver Tree close, Boxley, ME5 9ST

TPO application to reduce 3 Birch trees to height of 6m, and radial spread of 2m. **Boxley Parish Council** defer to the views of the Tree Officer.

21/502338/FULL 1 Fir Tree Grove, Lordswood, ME5 8XD

Extension of existing porch and conversion of garage to habitable room. **Boxley Parish Council** have no material planning reasons to object to this application.

21/502486/SUB Land East of Gleaming Wood Drive, Lordswood, Kent

Submission of details pursuant to condition 19 (sustainable surface water drainage scheme) of application 15/503359/OUT (Allowed on appeal: APP/U2235/W/15/3132364). Cllr Brindle would liaise with the Clerk on this response.

21/502313/SUB Land East of Gleaming Wood Drive, Lordswood, Kent

Submission of details pursuant to conditions 16 (emergency access), and 18 (foul water drainage), of application 15/503359/OUT (Allowed on appeal: APP/U2235/W/15/3132364) Cllr Brindle reported that the contractors on this site were using the emergency access onto Westfield Sole Road to access the site causing traffic issues and danger for users of Westfield Sole Road. The Clerk was asked to report this to Planning Enforcement and would formulate a planning response with Cllr Brindle.

6. Ratifications

The Planning response made by the Clerk after consulting members was ratified.

7. Items for Next Agenda

Cllr Brindle raised the issue of Motorbikes in Boxley Warren (footpath KH64). A digger had been used to create banks and tracks. The track is widely used by pedestrians and runners. It is private owned land. Cllr Willmott informed that the top of Forge Lane was likely to be fenced and this may limit access from the Boxley end. The Clerk was asked to report the problem to the PCSO and put it on the next Agenda for an update.

8. Next Meeting

Next Environment Committee meeting 7 June 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

