

**Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday 5 October 2020  
held by Conference call due to the Covid-19 Pandemic following on from the  
Parish Council Meeting commencing at 7.30 pm.**

Present: Mr I Davies – Chair until item 5, Cllr B Hinder – Chair from item 5, Mrs P Huntingford, J Willmott, L Clarke, V Davies, C Sheppard, Cllr A Brindle from item 5, Cllr M Beckwith together with Mrs D Baylis, Clerk.

**1 Apologies and absences**

In the Absence of both the Chairman and Vice-chairman at the beginning of the meeting it was proposed by Cllr V Davies, seconded by Cllr L Clarke and all agreed that Cllr I Davies chair the meeting until their arrival.

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Hollands (technical issues).

**2. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**

None.

**3. Minutes of the Meetings held on 14 September 2020**

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.

Cllr Sheppard asked if anything further had been heard regarding the proposed car park for Boxley following a presentation from a member of the public. The Clerk confirmed that nothing further was known.

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

No members of the public had joined the meeting.

**5. Planning Applications for Consideration – Decision**

**20/504353/FULL Northdown, Chatham Road, Sandling, ME14 3AY**

Erection of 1 no. outbuilding to house studio and garden storage

**Boxley Parish Council Response:** Boxley Parish Council have no material planning reasons to object to this application but would like conditions added to prevent its use as a habitable space and its sale or use as a separate dwelling.

**20/504264/TPOA 25 Goldstone Walk, Boxley, ME5 9QB**

TPO application – 1 x Hornbeam: height to be reduced from 15m to 12.5m and radial spread from 5m to 3.5m due to this tree having a very tight fork and is a site of potential failure – see application form for further information.

**Boxley Parish Council Response:** Boxley Parish Council defer to the views of the Tree Officer.

**20/504305/TPOA 25 Forestdale Road, Boxley ME5 9NB**

TPO application – Hornbeam (T1) – reduce to a height from 12m to 8m and a radial spread of 6m to 3m, Hornbeam (T2) – triple stem. Coppice eastern stem due to adverse lean and limb fusion at 4m. Crown lift to achieve 5m ground clearance. Reduce height from 12m to 8m and Hornbeam (T3) – crown lift to achieve 5m ground clearance. Reduce height from 11m to 8m.

**Boxley Parish Council Response:** Boxley Parish Council defer to the views of the Tree Officer.

**6. Ratifications**

The planning responses made out of meeting by the Clerk after consulting members were ratified.

8. **Items for Next Agenda**

Requests for items to be included on the next Agenda.

9. **Next Meeting**

Next Environment Committee meeting 12 October 2020 commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed 8.30 pm.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman ..... Date .....