



Boxley

PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday 4 July 2022
held at Beechen Hall, Wildfell Close, ME5 9RU
commencing at 7.30 pm.**

Present: Cllrs B Hinder – Chair, I Davies, P Huntingford, C Sheppard, A Aseter, K Hill and M Beckwith together with Mrs D Baylis, Clerk.

1 Apologies and absences

Cllrs J Willmott.

2 Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

None.

3 Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 June 2022

The minutes were agreed.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Cllr Hinder reported on how disappointing the Harp Farm Road drainage works were. They have installed 2 drains, one of which was full of water and the other full of soil the day after the works were completed. It was agreed to wait until the next rainfall to see what happened and then Cllr Hinder would take the problem to the MBC's joint transport board. The letter to the STEM school regarding parking had been drafted by the Clerk and would be sent asap.

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 attended.

5 Planning Applications for Consideration – Decision

22/503019/TPOA 14 Brownelow Copse, Walderslade, ME5 9JQ

T1-3 Hornbeam, pollards – reduce to 4m (damaged by vandalism) and G1 Beech, thin and deadwood.

Boxley Parish Council fully support this application and would like to see it approved.

22/502812/FULL Yew Tree Stables, Grange Lane, Sandling,

Conversion and extension of existing stable block into an independent dwelling, incorporating change of use from equestrian and residential, creation of new accesses into adjoining fields, and erection of a refuse/storage area and bike store.

Boxley Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons:

- 1.** It would set a precedent for development in the countryside contrary to Local Plan Policy SP17.
- 2.** It is “an unsustainable development in a rural location”. There are no local shops, schools, doctors etc plus a very limited bus service meaning all residents need to use motor vehicles to access any and all services.
- 3.** Much of Sandling is accessed by very narrow, mostly single track, country roads. If the Case Officer is minded to approval then Boxley Parish Council would like the application referred to the Planning Committee for determination.

22/502096/FULL Runsell Grange, Yelsted Lane, Boxley, ME14 3EJ

Section 73 – Application for Minor Material Amendment to approved plans condition 2 pursuant to 21/500031/FULL for – erection of a replacement dwelling and change of use of land to additional residential garden.

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

22/502827/FULL 47 Bargrove Road, Maidstone, ME14 5RT

Demolition of the conservatory and erection of a single storey rear extension.

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

MA/20/500047/RVRB Newnham Court Shopping Village, Bearsted Road, Weaving, Maidstone, Kent ME14 5LH

Details of all street lighting to include lux levels and hours of operation (Condition 7) and details of a phased programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written specification and timetable (Condition 12) pursuant to planning permission

MA/20/500047

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

6. **Ratifications**

None on this Agenda.

7. **Appeals**

The following appeal was noted.

Location: Hollymead 38 Franklin Drive Weaving Kent ME14 5SY

Proposal: Conversion of garage into habitable space, with external alterations and erection of first floor side extension.

Appellant: Mr & Mrs Paul Watkins

Appeal Reference Number: APP/U2235/D/22/3300251

Appeal Starting date: 16 June 2022

8. **Items for Next Agenda – DECISION**

None put forward.

9. **Next Meeting**

Next Environment Committee meeting 11 July 2022.

Meeting closed 9.35 pm.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman Date