



Boxley

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday 10 October 2022 held at Beechen Hall, Wildfell Close, ME5 9RU commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllrs M Beckwith – Acting Chair, A Asseter, C Sheppard, I Davies and P Huntingford together with Mrs D Baylis, Clerk.

1. **Apologies and absences**
Cllrs B Hinder and J Willmott.
2. **Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**
None.
3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 September 2022**
The minutes were agreed.
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
None.

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

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

22/504512/OUT Little Eastleigh, Grove Green Road, Weaving, ME14 5JX

Outline application (all matters reserved except for access) for erection of 1no. detached dwelling with associated access and parking.

Boxley Parish Council have no objection in principle but have concerns over the proposed access and parking.

22/504482/TPOA Land at rear of 22 Alkham Road, Maidstone, ME14 5PA

TPO Application to fell one Holly Tree and reduce overhang (property side) of one Acer, 4m to 2m.

Boxley Parish Council defer to the views of the Tree Officer.

22/504299/FULL Ramatuelle Boxley Road Walderslade Chatham Kent ME5 9JE

Erection of a single storey rear and side extensions including refurbishment to fenestration.

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

22/504300/LAWPRO 37 Forestdale Road Boxley Chatham Kent ME5 9NB

Lawful Development Certificate for proposed single storey rear extension.

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

22/504535/LAWPRO 34 Alexandra Glen Walderslade Kent ME5 9EB

Lawful Development Certificate for proposed loft conversion with flat roof rear dormer and roof windows to the front.

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

6. **Ratifications**

The ratifications listed on the Agenda were agreed.

7. **Planning Decisions, Appeals, and Appeals Decisions – Information**

The Decisions on the Agenda were reviewed.

8. **Highways and Byways - DECISION**

8.1 **Highways Improvement Plan**

Junction warning signs for Yelstead Lane were put onto the HIP.

8.2 **Junction 3 of the M2**

No update. The Clerk would chase for a new meeting with Helen Whatley and Tracey Crouch.

8.3 **A249 Bearsted Road Major Infrastructure Project**

No update. The Clerk is still trying to arrange a meeting with Bearstead Councillors.

8.4 **Harp Farm Road – flooding**

The road is now open. The works were 2 weeks over schedule.

8.5 **To consider any issues raised at the meeting**

Cllr Sheppard raised the proposal to build an Aldi Supermarket on the Newnham court site. It was felt that this would have a disastrous effect on the already congested roads.

8.6 **STEM school drop off area.**

A response had been received from the School stating that the gates were being kept open and parents were being reminded to park considerately. The Clerk was asked to write to MP Helen Whatley and KCC Councillor Paul Carter with a CC to the Leader and Deputy leader of KCC, plus the leader of MBC.

9. **Policy and Procedure**

9.1 **Environment Policy**

The draft was reviewed and would be put to the next full Council meeting with a few minor amendments.

10. **Task List**

Noted.

11. **Members and Officer's Reports**

None given.

12. **Residents' Concerns**

A resident had raised the issue of on street parking between the junctions of Wingrove Road and Threshers Drive on Provender Way causing a danger to other traffic due to reduced visibility splays. The Clerk was asked to add this to the HIP, write to KCC and safety advice from the Police.

13. **Consultations**

None on this Agenda.

14. **Volunteer Groups – INFORMATION**

Vinters Valley Trust had sent a thank you for their grant.

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

Making the Parish Tour an annual Parish Inspection.

16. **Next Meeting**

Next Environment Committee meeting 7 November 2022.

In view of the confidential nature (personal details and data) on the item about to be transacted, it is advised that the public and press will be excluded from the meeting for the duration of or part of the item.

17. **Enforcement and CIL/Section 106 updates from MBC**

No additional CIL money had been received.

18. **Lidsing Garden Development**

A meeting of the Against Lidsing Working Group was scheduled for 2pm on the 18 October 2022 at Beechen Hall.

Meeting closed 8.35 pm.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman Date