Minutes of the Boxley Parish Council Meeting held at Beechen Hall, Wildfell Close, Walderslade on 5 December 2022, commencing at 19:30

Councillors Present: Mr C Sheppard - Chairman, Mr Ivor Davies, Mr B Hinder, Mrs P Huntingford, D Hubbard, V Davies, P Sullivan, A Asseter, M Beckwith, P McClean, P Dengate, James Willmott, K Macklin and A Brindle together with one member of the public and Mrs D Baylis - Parish Clerk

1. Apologies and absences

Cllr D Hollands - Apologies accepted.

- 2. **Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**None.
- 3. It was proposed by Cllr Hinder, seconded by Cllr Brindle and all agreed that in view of the confidential nature of items 21 and 22 that the press and public will be excluded from the meeting for these items.
- 4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 3 October 2022** All agreed.
- 5. Matters Arising From the Minutes

See Confidential Minutes item 5.

6. **Crime Report and Police Issues** Noted.

Adjournment to enable members of the public to address the meeting

7. Draft Minutes of Recent Committee Meetings

The following have been previously circulated:

- 7.1 Environment Committee Meeting 7 and 14 November 2022.
- 7.2 F&GP Committee meeting 21 November 2022 Noted.
- 8. Finance
- 8.1 Payments made out of meeting 01.11.22-28.11.22

Noted. Cllr Dengate was not happy with the 3 reversals on the PC Unity Trust account payment listing. Cllr V Davies would go the office and investigate why this was happening and report back at the next meeting. Action Cllr V Davies.

- 8.2 Receipts for the period 01.11.22-28.11.22 Noted.
- 8.3 Detailed balance sheet Noted.

9. **Policies and Procedures**

9.1 None on this Agenda.

10. Monthly Website update

There was nothing to update or report.

11. Reports from Councillors/Office

Cllr Sheppard - See item 22 on the Confidential Minutes.

Cllr V Davies reported on the ongoing situation with the rubbish between Tesco and Grove Green Village hall. He had spoken to the manager and was told that Tesco did not own the land and to report it to MBC. It was agreed that the Clerk should report it to the

Environmental Health team at MBC. Action Clerk.

12. Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllr Brindle had received an update on the cluster meetings with an up to date action plan.

Cllr Brindle reported on the Boundary review. In the report buried away on page 23 was the Parish electoral arrangements. The Clerk would produce a report for the next Parish Council meeting. Action Clerk.

Cllr Hinder reported that he and Cllr Brindle had gone out with the Lordswood and Walderslade Litter picking group with 17 other volunteers. There had been an issue with getting the bags picked up. The group has collected over 4,000 bags of rubbish since they started.

13. **Grant Applications**

None on this Agenda.

14. Walderslade Woodlands Trust

The deed of variation to the Grant Agreement has been drafted by our solicitors and sent to KCC's solicitors.

It was decided that the Clerk should write to several organisations such as Kent Wildlife Trust, Forestry Commission etc stating that we have 38 hectares of woodland with an enabling fund to ask what they could do for us in terms of management. The Clerk would draft a letter and circulate to members before sending it. Action Clerk.

15. Cluster Meetings

Cllr Hinder had been contacted by Vinters regarding a drug dealing video they sent to the police, but no action has been taken. Cllr Hinder has reported this to Martin James.

16. Matters for Decision

17. Correspondence

18. Matters for Information

Cllr Sheppard praised the letter sent by the Assistant Clerk Hall to the rogue hirer who had caused a lot of issues during and after their party hire. The Clerk was asked to send it to all Councillors. Action Clerk

Cllr Hinder reported that there was an issue with run off from the car washing business at Nottcutts going into the river.

19. Items for Next Agenda

Noted.

20. Meetings

Next Meeting Monday 23 January 2023 at Beechen Hall.

21. Personnel matters

Minuted separately under confidential minutes.

22. Lidsing Report

Minuted separately under confidential minutes.

Meeting closed at 8.29pm.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.