

Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday 1 November 2021 at Beechen Hall following on from the Parish Council Meeting, commencing at 8.35 pm.

Present: Cllrs B Hinder – acting Chair, Mr M Beckwith, I Davies, Mrs P Huntingford, C Sheppard, together with P Sullivan and Mrs D Baylis, Parish Clerk and one member of the public.

1. Apologies and absences

Cllr H Monk, Cllr J Willmott, Cllr W Salter, V Davies and L Clarke.

2. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

None

3. Minutes of the Meetings held on 18 October 2021

The minutes were **agreed** and were duly signed.

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

Cllr P Sullivan had attended to enquire further about the proposal for looking into the stopping up of Weaving Street at the Grovewood Drive South end. He was opposed to this idea.

5. Planning Applications for Consideration – Decision

21/505473/SUB Plot 3, Maidstone Innovation Centre, Gidds Pond Way, Weaving, ME14 5FY

Submission of details pursuant to condition 4 (Landscape & Ecological Maintenance & Management Plan) of application 21/501790/REM.

Boxley Parish Council has no material planning reason to object.

21/505552/FULL Mirehouse Weaving Street Weaving Maidstone Kent

Conversion of existing garage into habitable space with internal, external and roof alterations. Erection of single storey rear extension and single storey side extension, to create new garage.

Boxley Parish Council has no material planning reason to object.

21/505512/FULL Lower Grange Farm House Grange Lane Sandling Maidstone Kent

Erection of a part two storey, part single storey side extension and front porch including creation of 2no. bay windows to front, internal alterations and demolition of 2no. existing detached outbuildings (revised scheme to 21/503961/FULL).

Boxley Parish Council has no material planning reason to object.

21/505711/TPOA 26 Whatman Drive Maidstone ME14 5FZ

TPO Application to 1x Field Maple (T1) - Reduce by 3m - Current estimated height 13m leaving at 10m and 1x Yew (T2) - Reduce by 2m - Current estimated height 8m leaving at 6m.

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

21/505472/LBC Stone House, Weaving Street, Weaving, ME14 5JP

Listed building consent to refurbish and reposition of existing staircase from ground to first floor.

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

21/505257/FULL Unit 5, Motorway Industrial Estate, Forstal Road, Aylesford, ME20 7AF

Retrospective application for a change of use from class E(g) to class B2 for vehicle repair workshop for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles.

Boxley Parish Council has no material planning reason to object but do not approve of retrospective planning applications.

21/505726/LBC St Mary and All Saints Church, The Street, Boxley

Listed Building Consent for repairs and alterations to the south wall of the closed churchyard for health and safety reasons and to prevent further deterioration.

Boxley Parish Council would like to see this application approved.

6. Ratifications

None

7. Items for Next Agenda

Cllr Hinder requested that Franklin Drive Play Area and The Local Plan be added to the next Agenda.

8. Next Meeting

Next Environment Committee meeting 8 November 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed 9.35 pm.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman Date

