



BOX PARISH COUNCIL

THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 11th SEPTEMBER 2023

1. **Present:** Councillors: T. Walton (Chairman); A. Barton; R. Davies; D. Dorey;
S. Parker
Mrs Carey (Clerk)
2. **Apologies** Cllr J. Clifford;
The apologies were accepted
3. **Absent:** Nil
4. **Public Question Time:** There were no members of the public present
5. **Declaration of Interest:** Nil
6. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the meetings held on 14th and 31st August 2023 were taken as read and signed as being a true record
7. **Matters Arising:**
 - a. **Enforcement matters:** No updates
 - b. **Notice Boards:** Clerk has asked the Brunel Shed for a quote for the Pound and the Post Office Notice Board

Post Minute note: The Shed can replace the notice board at the Post Office and repair the one at the Pound for the sum of £200-£220 for both including donation
 - c. **The Pound:** The Groundsmen will treat the gates.
Blind House: It was agreed that the Parish Council needs to maintain the condition of the Blind House. Quotation from P.J. Emerson received to remove the flaking paint and repoint areas where pointing has failed and/or vegetation has come through. Repaint externally once vegetation has been removed
It was agreed to ask Paul Emerson to liaise with the Groundsmen about removing the vegetation from the roof of the Blind House.

Recommended that the quotation from P.J. Emerson in the sum of £835 be accepted.

War Memorial: The War Memorial is in good condition. Money to be built up in the budget for the repainting of the chains.
Milestone by War Memorial: Continue to monitor condition
The Fountain: The Fountain is in good condition. Money to be built up in the budget for the repainting of the railings and to carry out some repointing.
Viewing Platform: Continue to monitor condition
8. **Correspondence:**
 - a. **Application for part road closure Devizes Road for Remembrance Day Service:** There were no objections to this

9. Applications granted permission: The following planning applications had been granted planning permission:

PL/2023/00869	The Old Quarry, Longsplatt Proposed extension to provide additional bedroom, accessible wet room and study bedroom
PL/202304345	Platinum Nissan, Bath Road, Box Nissan authorised repairer corporate signage
PL/2023/02374	Land rear of 12 Bargates, Box Replacement of existing single storey building containing four single garages with a larger building containing four double garages.

10. Application refused: The following application had been refused

PL/2023/06663	Folly Farm, Rudloe, Corsham Prior Notification – Construction of ring slurry store extending to 29.032 diameter
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11. Applications withdrawn: The following applications have been withdrawn

17/09403/OUT	J. Price Bath Ltd, Quarry Hill, Box Outline planning permission – proposed redevelopment of industrial site for residential use
PL/2023/04922 PL/2023/05222	Hatt Farm, Old Jockey, Box Restoration, redevelopment and conversion of existing barn complex and change of use to a wedding venue, including provision of new vehicular access and associated works
PL/2023/04999 PL/2023/05266	Hatt Farmhouse, Hatt Farm, Box Change of use from residential to ancillary sleeping accommodation associated with wedding venue, including minor associated internal works

12. Applications considered: The following planning applications were considered:

PL/2023/04289	3 The Parade, Market Place, Box Conversion of the garage into a playroom – changing garage door to a single door and addition of a large window which faces onto the garden. The garage will also have a small mezzanine and two small roof light on the western side of the roof. Creation of a small balcony accessed from the back bedroom facing onto the garden which involves the existing window being extended downwards to form a new doorway onto the balcony No objections providing it does not cause loss of amenity and overlooking to neighbouring properties
PL/2023/06868	Land to the east of Holly House, Kingsdown Construction of a stable/field shelter No objections but would request that light pollution is kept to a minimum

PL/2023/06728	Witchcroft, Henley Lane, Kingsdown Extension and alterations
	No objections
PL/2023/07259	Mead House, The Ley, Box Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area T1 Salix Caprea – Goat Willow – Remove
	No objections
PL/2023/07401	2 The Parade, Market Place, Box Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area T1 – Cypress – Remove T2 – Ginko - Remove
	No objections

13. Neighbourhood Plan: Further meeting to be held this week

14. Budget setting – to discuss any items to be considered with the budget:

- Continue to building up reserves for the Listed Buildings
- Building up reserves for the bus shelters and notice boards

15. Forward Plan and Risk Assessment: The Forward Plan and Risk Assessment will be updated.

- Cllr Walton to carry out a risk assessment of all the bus shelters
- Notice boards – Clerk to ask Metrosigns if the locks can be replaced with butterfly clips on the notice board at Wadswick. Clerk to ask for replacement hinges for the notice board by Pine Close

16. Items of report and future agenda items:

17. Date of next meeting: Full meeting – 9th October Pre-Council – 28th September 2023

Meeting closed at 19.15 pm

Chairman