BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE OF BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, BOXFORD ON MONDAY 15TH MAY 2017

Present:

Cllr. V. Sandars (Chairman) Cllr. A. Britton Cllr. M. Hayes-Newington Cllr. C. Oliver-Bellasis Cllr. P. Kilding Mrs K Clinton (Clerk)

Action

A Huge thank you to the previous Chairman Cllr. M. Hayes-Newington

1. Apologies for absence:

Peter Thompson

2. **Approval Given of minutes for Boxford PC meeting** held 6th March 2017 and **EGM** held. 23rd March 2017(prop VS)

3. Declarations of Interest: No change

Peter Thompson remain in the roles as the PC representative for the Village Hall

4. Financial Matter

Approval of Expenses: £22 Cleaning of Bus Shelter, Newbury Weekly News £36.79, CCB Membership £30, BALC Membership, £95.90, Insurance £266.95, Data Protection Registration DD £35. The bank mandate and letter of authority for the A.D. Clark Grounds Maintenance was approved and signed by AS and KC. Costs for website training would be required at a later stage.

5. Planning Applications

17/00904/HOUSE - No Objections

17/01153/HOUSE – No Objections, although we do feel its lacking in the aesthetics. 17/0092/HOUSE – Objection. The reason for the objection is as follows: The proposed two storey side extension which is facing School Lane is too intrusive and very over powering and the front of the building is crossing the building line. The size of the building in not in keeping with the existing housing in School Lane. The position on the property and the idea of adding an extension would result in an overbearing house in a small site. Again, this would not be in keeping with the existing School Lane housing. Getting cars off the drive way if the extension was built could cause issues to the existing residence. It's worth noting that we have no real issues with the extension over the garage and converting use of part of the garage

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6. To receive reports:

a) Highways, Paths and Stiles

The bike races though the village are becoming an issue as the painting on the road is not suitable. The PC want to understand who organizes / runs theses races (Tour of Britain) so that the village can be consulted as part of the planning process.

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b) Lime Trees

The TPO on the Lime Trees as given by WBC will be challenged. Letter to Andrew Giles will be written by MHN.

c) Bus Shelter

The decision on the Bus Shelter is dependent on the decision on the Lime Trees.

d) Bin it for Boxford

The Bin it for Boxford activity took place on Saturday 22nd April 2017. This was successful although it was noted that some change/improvements would be required to make it more successful and to get additional parishioners involved. This could involve a road closure or the use a moveable road block. The idea of both would protect the safety parishioners and to enable more parishioners to get involved.

There were no questions from the public.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm. The next meeting will be held at **The Heritage Centre for 7pm on 3rd July 2017.**