

Boxted Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Boxted Village Hall on
Wednesday 9th January 2008

1. Present

Councillors	Present	Councillors	Present
Liz Bazeley	Yes	Tim Brentnall (chairman)	Late arrival
Tracey Doolin	Yes	Brian Grant	Yes
Hugh Large	Yes	Steve Lawrence	Yes
Angela McLauchlan	Yes	Gene Pugh	Yes
David Thomas	No		
Nigel Chapman (CBC)	Apologies	Christopher Arnold (CBC)	No
Paul Evans (Clerk)			

Councillor Brentnall had advised the clerk that he would be late. Cllr Bazeley took the chair for the start of the meeting.

1 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda.

None

2. Report by Arthur Dyer, PCSO.

The local PCSO turned up at the beginning of the meeting. The Chairman invited him to make a report.

There had been a little trouble in Langham & Dedham. Speeding was a common problem. He said that he would tell the children at the schools he visited that they should have lights on their bikes.

He recommended that the Councillors should complete the Crime Survey.

2 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28th November 2007.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3 Clerks Report.

The report was received.

Village Sign.

The clerk outlined his approach to a new sign and reported that he expected to meet the Artist on the 10th.

Gritting

The council discussed the gritting issue and decided that they would not supply a Bin.

Hedge

The Council agreed that we should approach Adam Mason about the dead tree.

4 Pre-School

The Clerk reported that the repair to the roof should be done (weather dependant) on Friday 11th January.

The Council agreed that a survey of the building should be carried out.

5 To receive correspondence.

The report had been previously circulated to the Council.

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6 Planning - To review planning applications and confirm comments thereon.

Planning Applications : 72965, 73101, 73154

072965 Isola, Ellis Road, Commented

073101 3 Langham Road, No comment

073154 - 7 Accommodation Commented

7 New School

The Council agreed that they should go ahead and fund the changes to the External Lighting at Boxted Primary School. (Price now £809). The clerk should write to the school to this end

The work is scheduled for the February half term.

8 King George Playing Field

8.1 New Play Equipmen

The clerk reported that the new Play equipment from Playdale had been installed before Christmas. The new see-saw etc was scheduled for installation early in January.

8.2 Sports & Social Club

The clerk was asked to investigate the possibility of having recycling bins in the Car Park. Cllr Doolin reported that the grant application to Awards for All had 1 final question outstanding. CLLr Doolin said that she would send the clerk a copy of the accounts and the development plans.

8.3 Village Hall.

The Parish Council decline the invitation to have a representative on the Committee.

9 Village Design Statement.

Cllr Lawrence reported that they had back 280 responses. The analysis of the data was ongoing.

10 Finance -

10.1 Payments

The payments listed on page 2 of the agenda were approved. (details in Financial Report).

Financial Report:

The financial position at 30/12/2007

Current account :	7374.48
30 day account :	7061.20
Close Brothers High Interest Account	30000.00

Payments authorised :

Invoice from	For	Cheque No.	Amount

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Invoice from	For	Cheque No.	Amount
McClauchlan	KGV supplies	Chq000556	87.19
Playdale	Installation of new play equipment	Chq000556	465.89
K Glazing	Repairs to pre-school	Chq000556	139.12
Roy Andrews	KGV ground maintenance	Chq000556	173.25
Anglian Water	Supply of water & sewerage charge.	Chq000556	425.37
Peke Services	Clerks Expenses	Chq000556	138.81
Paul Evans	Clerks Salary	Chq000556	397.12
Total			1826.75

10.2 Contracts.

The Council agreed (nem con) that the contract for the footings for the Bus Shelter should be awarded to Anglia Landscapes.

It was agreed that Cllr Mclauchlan should collect the Safety Surfacing which was part of the Playground refurbishment.

10.3 Precept.

The council adopted the proposed budget that included a 1.9% rise in the Parish Precept.

10.4 Grants.

The clerk was asked to investigate grant funding for improving the parking conditions in the overflow car-park and the emergency exit from the village hall which is used as access for equipment.

11 Other Business

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The Councillors were not interested.

12 Parish Council Meeting Dates

The following dates were agreed by the Council.

2008	February	13 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	March	12 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	April	9 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	May	14 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	June	11 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	July	9 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	August		No Meeting	
2008	September	10 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	October	8 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	November	12 th	Village Hall	1900
2008	December		No Meeting	
2009	January	14 th	Village Hall	1900
2009	February	11 th	Village Hall	1900
2009	March	11 th	Village Hall	1900

The date of the annual parish meeting was discussed. One of the suggestions was that it should be incorporated into the May Meeting of the Parish Council.