

Boxted Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Boxted Village Hall
on Wednesday January 14th 2009

1 Present

Councillors	Present	Councillors	Present
Liz Bazeley	Yes	Tim Brentnall (Chairman)	Yes
Tracey Doolin	Yes	Brian Grant	Yes
Hugh Large	Yes	Steve Lawrence	Yes
Angela McLauchlan	Yes	Gene Pugh	Yes
David Thomas	Apologies		
Nigel Chapman (CBC)	yes		
Paul Evans (Clerk)	yes		

2 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda.

None

3 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12th November 2008

The minutes were approved and signed Cllr Brentnall.

4 Clerks Report.

4.1 Water Leak on KGV Playing Field.

The clerk reported that the leak had found and a new supply had been laid to the Sports & Social Club. The internal plumbing in the Sports & Social Club had been modified to connect to the supply.

5 To receive correspondence.

The report had been previously circulated to the Council.

6 To review planning applications and confirm comments thereon.

Decisions / Status

82050	42 Peppers Lane, Boxted, Colchester, CO4 5HL	Mr Apps appealing the decision.
82047	Great Oaks, Horkesley Road, Boxted, Colchester, CO4 5HS	comment s made
82009	Workhouse Hill, Boxted, Colchester	comment s made
82000	23 Straight Road, Boxted, Colchester, CO4 5HJ	Approve Conditional
81992	Lindum, Straight Road, Boxted, Colchester, CO4 5QZ	Approve Conditional
81766	Hill Farm Industrial Estate, Boxted, Colchester	Refuse

6.1 42 Peppers Lane

The clerk was asked to reply to the email that he had received about 42 Peppers Lane. The Council discussed what was going on.

6.2 Haveli

Cllr Bazeley said that she would talk with Mr Whybrow about the Garden House and the gates.

6.3 Hill Farm Industrial Estate

Whilst their planning application for large notices was refused, they are permitted to put up small signs.

6.4 19 Straight Road.

Cllr Bazeley said the building was a "Pole barn" and they have permission for it. The Council agreed that this should be raised with Planning Enforcement.

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6.5 20 Straight Road.

The Council agreed that storage of mobile homes should be raised with Planning enforcement.

6.6 45 Straight Road.

The Council agreed that amount of hard standing, which is used for lorry and caravan storage, should be raised with Planning Enforcement.

The Council agreed that with all the developments going on along Straight Road the village was in danger of losing its rural character.

The Council was disappointed in the apparent ineffectiveness of the enforcement of planning decisions.

7 Adoption of New Model Publication Scheme

The clerk explained that the Office of the Information Commissioner had produced a publication scheme and it was compulsory for all public bodies. The Council adopted the publication scheme.

8 Sports & Social Club, King George Playing Field and Village Hall

The Council agreed that a water meter should be installed on the supply to the Cricket Square.

9 Pre-School.

9.1 Pre-school roof

The council agreed that the roof should be made water tight. The clerk was asked to get some additional quotations for these repairs.

9.2 New Building.

The Chairwomen of the Pre-School committee had written to all Councillors about the progress they had made towards making a grant application. Before making a grant application the Pre-school requires agreement *in principle on the use of a piece of land* and permission to erect a building on this land.

The Parish Council resolved, *nem con*, that in principle they would enter into a formal lease agreement on a piece of land and give permission for a building. Any lease is subject to contract and agreement of the use of the land. The Council agreed that before any lease could be signed; there are many details that need to be clarified:

e.g., who owns the building, who repairs the building; where are the children to play, will they still need the container, will the container remain where it is currently located, how much land is required and does it need fencing.

10 Old School Site

Nothing to report.

11 Consideration of improved highway signage near the entrance to the school

Cllr Chapman said that he would raise the problem with Highways and try to persuade them to come out and observe the problems.

12 VDS

The report had been submitted to CBC who has requested changes. It is expected that the revised report will be submitted within the week.

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13 Finance -

The financial position (cleared balance) at 31/12/2008

Current account :	17310.33
30 day account :	302.40
Close Brothers High Interest Account	31640.24

13.1 Payments

The council approved the payment of the invoices listed below.

Invoice from	For	Cheque No.	Amount
Paul Evans	Clerks Salary for December 2008 & January 2009	chq000651	1015.56
Peke Services Ltd	Clerks expenses to 14/1/2009	chq000652	123.08
Roy Andrews	Invoice 62	chq000653	53.55
Contract trenching	Work finding the leak and running a new supply to the SSC	chq000654	718.75
Advanced mechanical Services Ltd.	For connecting the existing pipe work to the new supply.	chq000655	483.00
Heelis & lodge	Internal Audit fee	chq000657	85.00
Boxted Village hall	For Meetings held in Village hall	chq000658	140.00
Glebe Farm Hedging	Supply to 100 Hawthorn plants	chq000659	59.00
David Isted	Cutting hedge on King George playing field	Chq000660	86.25
	Total		2764.19

13.2 Precept for 2009-10

The Council, (Cllr Brentnall proposed & Cllr Pugh seconded,) agreed the resolution (nem con) that the Precept for 2009-10 should be set at £16,448. .

14 Estuary Housing.

Empty housing is advertised and anybody may apply to be housed. It is normally offered to applicants who have a local connection. Cllr Chapman said that he would check on who had been offered the flat in Botted.

15 Any other business.

There was no other business.