



Box Parish Council

1st September 2026

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE at 6.45pm on 27th August 2026 at BOX PAVILION

Councillors Present:

Cllr S Roche (Chair)
Cllr R Haslett (Vice Chair)
Cllr N Botterill
Cllr R Davies
Cllr P Suchley
Cllr T Walton

Clerk – S Vickery

1. **Apologies** for absence were received from Cllrs D Celerier, R Duncan and R Leach.
2. **Declaration of interests** relating to items on the Agenda. Nil.
3. **Public Question Time.** There were no members of the public present.
4. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** The minutes of the Planning Committee dated 17th August 2026 were submitted and agreed.
5. **Planning Applications** to considered:

Application No:	PL/2026/02584 Link to site
Application Type:	Full planning permission
Proposal:	Installation of 24 ground mounted solar panels
Site Address:	Land Adjacent Wormcliff House, Wormcliff Lane, Kingsdown, SN13 8AR
Applicant:	Pieter Hooft

AMENDED PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Resolved – no objection

	Officer's Name: Caroline Gamble
	Direct Line: 01225 718220
Application No:	PL/2026/05092 Link to site
Application Type:	Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area

Proposal:	T1 Cypress sp. - Raise canopy up to 2m from ground level to improve pedestrian access above the private footpath, at Orchard Lea, the neighbouring property T2. Cypress sp. - Raise canopy up to 2m from ground level to improve pedestrian access above the private footpath, at Orchard Lea, the neighbouring property T3 Yew - Reduce the canopy of this mature tree in a naturally manner to existing growing points, by up to 1.5m to control its spread, as it has naturally evolved to overhang the joint boundary at Orchard Lea, the neighbouring property. T4 Weeping Willow - Raise canopy up to 2m from ground level to manage the low canopy overhanging the joint boundary at Orchard Lea, the neighbouring property. On the Creffield House side of the tree, reduce the spread of the one sided remaining canopy by up to 1.5m to retain a balanced form on completion of the work.
Site Address:	CREFFIELD HOUSE, DEVIZES ROAD, BOX, CORSHAM, SN13 8EF

Resolved – no objection.

6. **Planning Decisions** to note: Nil.

7. **Planning Appeal** to note:

[PL2025/09915](#)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPELLANTS NAME:	Pim & Sheree de Witte
APPEAL SITE:	Little Orchard, Lower Kingsdown Road, Kingsdown, Corsham, SN13 8BD
PLANNING APPLICATION REF:	PL/2025/09915
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:	Retrospective full application for erection of one dwelling (not built in accordance with consent ref: 18/10970/FUL) (resubmission of PL/2024/02925)
INSPECTORATE REFERENCE:	6013843
APPEAL START DATE:	19 August 2026

I am writing to let you know that an appeal has been made to the Planning Inspectorate in respect of the above site.

The appeal is Against a Refusal in respect of the above site and is to be decided on the basis of Written Representations procedure as set out in Part 2 of The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009, as amended.

All comments made on the original application will be sent to the Planning Inspectorate. The Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State will consider these comments when determining the appeal. Documents relating to the appeal(s) can be viewed on the Council website by searching the application reference at <https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/>.

The Committee noted the Appeal.

8. **Box Parish Neighbourhood Plan (BPNP).**

- a. The Committee considered the 'next steps' update note from the NP Steering Group. Councillors heard directly from Martyn Thomas of the Steering Group and asked further questions of the developing BPNP. The Steering Group were thanked for their hard work.
- b. To help with communication, a diagram (to aid understanding) and an AI check of the existing documents against changed NPPF policy might assist.

Action: SG will consider these actions.

- c. **Recommendation:** the Update was approved (unanimous) for Full Council resolution on 24th September 2026.

9. **Items of Correspondence.**

- a. Two residents had submitted emails with concerns on the lack of a passing point at Henley Lane post the CEFN application. The Committee acknowledged the concerns and suggested the residents approach Wiltshire Highways. Cllr P Chamberlain is also engaged.

10. Items of report and **future Agenda** items. Nil.

11. Date of next meeting – 6.30pm prior to Full Council Committee on 24th September 2026.

The Committee ended at 7.25pm

Signed and dated by the Chair.....