



# Box Parish Council

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12<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## **Box Parish Neighbourhood Plan<sup>1</sup> - Residents within the Proposed Area of Local Heritage Importance, Box Hill**

Dear Resident,

Last summer the Parish Council wrote to a small group of residents at Box Hill to inform them that an asset in their ownership had been earmarked as a proposed non-designated Locally Valued Heritage Asset (LVHA); across the Parish there are only 60 assets of this nature. As part of the Parish endeavour (as mandated by Wiltshire Council) a Neighbourhood Plan is being prepared which will describe and recognise the character and heritage of Box to give greater context when considering planning matters at Box Parish.

You can view the draft Neighbourhood Plan Vision and Objectives at <https://www.boxparishcouncil.gov.uk/our-community/neighbourhood-plan>

Comments were invited to this initial letter, with limited but helpful responses. Following this helpful feedback, the first Engagement Evening was held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026, where the views of residents were relayed to members of the Council.

Subsequent to the Engagement Evening, it has become apparent that other residents in the nearby area should also have an opportunity to comment. and that is why I am writing to you now

There will be further opportunities during the formal consultation stage that is expected sometime in late 2026. In the meantime, once you have digested this note, the context report and the list of assets (both documents are on the website at <https://www.boxparishcouncil.gov.uk/our-community/neighbourhood-plan>), you are very welcome to send further comment to Parish Council, [clerk@boxparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@boxparishcouncil.gov.uk).

The Parish Council is now in dialogue with the newly established Action Group, but the PC will continue to provide information regarding the Neighbourhood Plan directly to all residents via a number of means including the Box PC website.

Thank you for your engagement and interest in the Parish's rich heritage and unique character – it is very much appreciated. Channels to communicate are very much open.

Yours sincerely,

*Steve Vickery*

Clerk to Council

On behalf of the Steering Group and Box Parish Council

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<sup>1</sup> A Neighbourhood Plan is a legal document intended to give local people and communities more say about the scale and nature of future development in their locality within the context of both strategic planning policy in the National Planning Policy Framework and local plans - in our case, the Wiltshire Core Strategy.