

Extract from and e-mail from Mr R Parry 14 October 2015.

Dear John

Thank you for your very clear presentation at Corsham yesterday.

We are still receiving responses from residents see below from long-standing Box resident Robin Parry who runs various clubs in Box such as Box GIGs which provides considerable support to elderly men in Rudloe and his wife runs the Box WI.

Kind regards

Alan Payne

From:

To: john.watling@wiltshire.gov.uk

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 6:17 PM

Subject: Proposed Corsham Boundary changes

Dear Mr Watling

Proposal by Corsham for a Boundary Change

I wish to express my concern at the changes to Box Parish boundary proposed by Corsham Council.

There has been no population shift in the 16 years I've lived in the Parish to warrant a change to the already easily defined boundary bordering currently developed land.

Box parish precept provides for the maintenance of approximately £2M of parish assets; The Council Offices, the Cemetery, The Pavilion the Blind House, The Pound, the War Memorial, Box Hill Common Lacy Wood and the Recreation Ground. The latter includes a bowling green, tennis courts, netball court, mountain bike course, play areas for under 5s and 6-12s, football ground, cricket ground plus support for the Pavilion used by youth groups and some of the many organisations in this active and vibrant community.

It also provides for street cleaning and maintenance of verges and floral displays leading to Box regularly being among the top entrants for the Best Kept Village awards.

The proposals, if implemented, would result in some 450 homes out of a total of approximately 1500 being transferred out of Box Parish and with them the associated revenue. This may bring into question ability of Box Parish to continue to provide such services to its residents and indeed the viability of the Parish.

The foregoing was my response to the proposal in August 2014 ; the numbers may have changed marginally but the sentiments remain.

Now, a year later, may I ask why the meeting which so obviously affects the parishioners of Box is not being held in Box Parish.

Yours sincerely

Robin Parry