

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th September 2017 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs K.St Pier (Chairman), Cllr A.Hill (Vice Chairman), Cllr B.Evans, Cllr D.Howson , Cllr K. Lawson, Cllr D. Lloyd.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), and five parishioners.

42. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from Cllr N.Moore, Cllr J.Sheridan, East Herts Councillor Michael McMullen, East Herts Councillor Linda Haysey and Herts County Councillor Ken Crofton.

NO PARISHIONERS COMMENTS.

43. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 3rd July 2017, copies of which have been previously circulated to Councillors, were amended and confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

44. NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

45. PLANNING

Planning Applications Received

3/17/1686/HH - Tewin Oaks, 42 Orchard Road, Tewin - Single storey side extension - *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1648/HH - Tewin Oaks, 42 Orchard Road, Tewin - New timber framed detached car port - *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1551/HH - 104 Orchard Road, Tewin - Erection of freestanding pergola on the terrace in back garden - *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1469/HH - 12 Desborough Drive, Tewin - Single storey side and rear extension and front porch infill - *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1839/FUL - Land Adjacent To 57 Upper Green, Tewin (Plume of Feathers) - Extension to existing car park - *TPC No Comment other than a tarmac surface would be preferable rather than gravel as it would be less noisy for neighbours.*

3/17/1802/FUL - Catbells 40 Firs Walk, Tewin - Demolition of existing 1.5 storey bungalow and replacement with modern family home - *TPC No Comment but the householder was advised that there had been past problems with the route of FP32 across the property.*

3/17/1739/FUL - Highcroft Tewin Close Tewin - Demolition of the existing dwelling, its associated garaging and outbuildings. Erection of detached dwelling house & detached double garage with an additional highway access to create an in-and-out driveway- *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1726/FUL -Tewin Water Farm Churchfield Road, Tewin - The construction of a new farmyard including 3 new agricultural buildings, associated yard area, cattle handling pens and silage storage area, landscaping and drainage - *TPC No Comment.*

3/17/1727/FUL - Tewin Water Farm Churchfield Road - The siting of a temporary agricultural worker's dwelling for a maximum period of 3 years to provide accommodation for a full time agricultural employee - *TPC No Comment.*

Planning Decisions

3/17/1551/HH - 104 Orchard Road, Tewin - Erection of freestanding pergola on the terrace in back garden - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted.*

3/17/1469/HH - 12 Desborough Drive, Tewin - Single storey side and rear extension and front porch infill - *TPC No Comment - EHC Refused.*

3/17/1382/HH - 33 Bishops Road, Tewin - Re-build retaining wall - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted.*

3/17/1279/HH - 32 Bishops Road, Tewin - Single storey rear extension (revised scheme) and render to rear elevation - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted*

3/1/1192/FUL - Land Adjacent to 49 Upper Green, Tewin - Detached two storey dwelling and detached garage - *TPC No Comment- EHC Granted*

3/17/1352/HH - 20 Bishops Road, Tewin - Erection of single storey rear 'Orangery' extension, replacement bay windows and flat roof, balcony to rear, replacement front door with pitched roof porch, replacement new window to north elevation (amended scheme) - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted.*

3/17/1292/FUL - Tewin Bury Farm Hotel, Tewin - Erection of Spa/Leisure building with associated Recuperations Centre - Alterations to building approved in 3/14/2013/FP by means of a single storey addition to part of the north elevation and single storey addition to part of the south elevation - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted.*

Certificates of Lawfulness

3/17/1702/CLP - 9 Bishops Road, Tewin - Two storey rear extension.

3/17/1512/CLP - 11 Cowpers Way, Tewin - Proposed single storey side extension and rear extensions to dwelling.

3/17/1568/CLP - South Lodge Tewin - To build a new garage to the side of house for storage and garden equipment .

Enforcement - East Herts Council advise there has been no breach of planning control concerning the conversion of a garage to living accommodation in Orchard Road.

46. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments approved by the Parish Council from the Current Account since 3rd July 2017 amounted to £6217.34.

New Homes Bonus - A New Homes Bonus of £18,884 has been received from East Herts Council.

Gratuity - The Clerk's accumulated gratuity of £3518.46 was transferred to NEST.

Budget Report - The budget report was circulated and income and expenditure is currently below budget as expected.

Audit – BDO LLP has completed the external auditor report and certificate in respect of the annual return for Tewin Parish Council and has issued an unqualified audit opinion as they consider the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and the relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have been met. This was approved and accepted by Tewin Parish Council and the notice of conclusion of audit and audit form will be displayed on the Parish Council notice board for the statutory 14 days.

Donation to Royal British Legion - The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £75.

47. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Gully outside Tewin Cowper School - The gully outside Tewin Cowper School has been cleared by Ringway and will be monitored. Works on the gully at the entrance to Sevenacres have been unexpectedly delayed by Herts Highways and are expected to take place from 6th to the 9th of November.

Hertford Road - The fallen concrete fire hydrant has been reported to Herts Highway who have assessed the issue and advise it is considered safe. They have passed the issue to the correct team/external organisation for their attention.

Grass Warren Potholes - It was agreed to report the displaced gully and potholes on the highways fault line.

Orchard Road Gully - The gully outside 45 Orchard Road is set well below the road level and is causing a hazard for drivers and cyclists and it was agreed to report it to Highways.

Harwood Close Road Collapse - The road has now been repaired.

May Pond Green Trees - It was agreed to chase Herts Highways about progress with soil tests to ascertain why two trees have died. A query has been raised with Highways and East Herts Council Operations Dept about the species of the replacement tree planted earlier in the year which should have been a Wild Service Tree not a Service tree. *Malcolm Amey has now left EHC and there is no replacement at present, an email has been sent to EHC Operations Department asking for clarification. EHC have no information. Clerk to chase.*

48. PAVILION AND UPPER GREEN

Weekly Playground Inspections - Nothing to report.

ROSPA Playground Inspection Report - The Parish Council agreed to monitor the points raised.

Dead Tree Adj to Upper Green - This has now been removed by the landowner.

Tender - Two quotes have been received of £38,750 and £66,300. The Parish Council agreed to confirm funding and formally accept a quote at the next meeting.

Grants - An application has been made to Lafarge/Tarmac Landfill Community Fund and a decision expected in December/January. Another application will also be made to the East Herts Council Community Grant.

Burnham Green Village Hall Defibrillator - The Burnham Green Village Hall Committee have agreed in principle to a defibrillator outside Burnham Green Village Hall and to contribute £500. Tewin Parish Council agreed to donate £1000 on the basis that the hall is the most convenient location to mount a defibrillator within easy reach of the Tewin Parish population in Tewin Wood. Maintenance arrangements are subject to further discussion.

49. LOWER GREEN

Defibrillator - The Parish Council agreed to pay, install, maintain and be responsible for a defibrillator outside Tewin Memorial Hall.

50. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP (P3) GRANT

The grant of £1000 has been received for the replacement of the footbridge on FP23 however due to recent difficulties getting approval for replacement bridges there has been a change in plan. Tom Goldsmith has viewed the foot bridge and thinks that the replacement will not last as long as the concrete sleepers which are sound and solid. The parish Council agreed to go back to the original plan of just replacing the handrail and installing a new one on the other side. A quote is also being obtained for the levelling of the footpath alongside Muspatts farm.

51. PARISH RISK ASSESSMENT 2017

Clear cut ins at Lousehole Bottom, Hertford Road - Obtain Quote .

Pavilion Shed Roof Repair - Ted Kavanagh in process of repairing. Quote to be agreed at next meeting

52. CORRESPONDENCE

Drivesafe - The team continue to be out monitoring the speed of traffic and have reported two drivers at 49mph and 59mph just before 8am on the 30mph area. The speed indication device is due for installation soon.

East Herts District Plan Submission - The Inspector has now been appointed and the hearings start on 3rd October.

Tewin Memorial Hall - A complaint has been received about noise disturbance from Memorial Hall. Discussed. No action.

53. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Transport - It was agreed to chase Herts County Council for a response to complaints raised about the bus service.

54. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at 7.45pm on Monday 2nd October 2017 at Tewin Memorial Hall .

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 10.07pm.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS August 2017

Ref:	PROBLEM.	DATE RAISED	COMMENTS
1	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road (nr B1000) – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	2012	Reported on highway fault website
2	Line Markings – Missing on School Lane	2012	Reported on Highway fault website
3	Signs - Hollybushes - Directional Tewin sign missing and Hertford sign broken - Lower Green - Directional finger post missing	2013	Reported on Highway fault website