

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 27 January 2003 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs K.Lawson (Chairman), K.St Pier, J.Burton, C.Pool and S.Glew.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), Cllr M.McMullen, Cllr M.Hargreaves, Cllr B.Hammond and 1 member of the public.

PC John Ivens, Rural Community Liaison Officer, addressed the meeting.

The Parish Council raised their concerns on policing, illegal parking, speeding, vandalism issues within the village and wrongful use of motorcycles on paths.

If any Parishioners want to contact PC John Ivens with details his contact number is on Appendix 1.

Over the last year there have been 36 incidences of crimes in the Tewin area (including several other Parishes), which is less than 1 crime per fortnight. They still aim to achieve the county wide urgent response time of 15mins

He informed us of a new mobile police station which will in the future operate like the mobile library and stop in the village on specified days.

PC Ivens agreed to contact the Clerk on various other issues.

88. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr S.Stott.

89. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held 25th November 2002 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

90. MATTERS ARISING

Parish Council Vacancy North Ward – Mr M.Howe attended the meeting and expressed his willingness to be a Councillor. He has lived in the area for 47 years and now has some spare time, which he would like to contribute for the benefit of the village. Cllr C.Pool proposed and Cllr J.Burton seconded a proposal to co-opt Mr M.Howe onto the Council. This motion was unanimously approved.

Parish Council Vacancy South Ward– There is still a vacancy for the South Ward but the Council agreed that it is not necessary to advertise in view of the May election.

Flagpole – The Parish Council were not aware a new rope was necessary and would monitor the situation.

Recreational Area – The Parish Council agreed to put this on the next meeting's agenda.

Road Outside Tewin School – An HCC engineer has assessed the road and has given an order for the road to be made up to agricultural standard. The Clerk will check to see if the work has been completed.

91.PLANNING

Applications (looked at on 27.1.02)

3/02/2598/FP/TH – 36 Firs Walk, Tewin Wood – Replacement of existing dwelling – TPC Obj

3/02/2553/FP/EH – 54 Orchard Road, Tewin – Two Storey side extension/rear extension & new double garage – TPC Obj

3/02/2546/FP/GF – 16 Lower Green, Tewin – Demolition & Construction of new garage – TPC No Obj

Applications (looked at on 13/1/03)

3/02/2567/FP/EH – Oak Heights, Tewin Water - Single Storey Side Extension and 2-storey rear extension – TPC No Obj

3/02/2510/FN/TH – 40 Orchard Road, Tewin – Rear Extension & Single storey & conversion of 2 garages to living accommodation – TPC No obj

3/01/1048/FP/NJ – 31 Orchard Road, Tewin – Alterations and extensions – TPC No Obj

Applications (TPC looked at on 9/12/02)

3/02/0865/FP/HF- 1 The Walled Garden, Tewin Water – Rear Roof light & Conservatory – TPC Obj
3/02/2369/FP/EH – Woodbury, East Riding, Tewin – Alteration & Extension of Existing House – TPC
No Obj

Decisions

3/02/2368/FP – Whitespar, Queen Hoo Lane – New Pitched Roof over existing – TPC No Obj – EHDC
Refused
3/02/2079/FP/TH – 9a Firs Walk Tewin – Two single Storey Rear Conservatories – TPC No Obj –
EHDC Granted
3/02/0865/FP – 1 The Walled Garden, Tewin Water – Rear Roof Light & Conservatory – TPC Object -
EHDC Granted
3/02/1987/FP – Oak Heights, Tewin Water – Two Storey Side and Rear Extension – TPC No Obj –
EHDC Granted
3/02/2199/FP – 3 Churchfield Cottages, Tewin – Single Storey Rear Extension and oil tank in front
garden – TPC No obj – EHDC Granted
3/02/1927/FP – 20 Bishops Road, Tewin Wood – Double Storey Side Extension – TPC No Obj – EHDC
Granted

Appeals:

3/00/1774/FP – 19 Bishops Road, Tewin – Appeal granted

3/01/1714/FP – Land West of Back Lane – Appeal granted

Other Planning Items:

Rose & Crown Brickwork – The Parish Council agreed that Greene King should be informed and asked to rectify the damage caused by weeds growing in the brickwork and the stains on the walls caused by the hanging basket watering system.

The Clerk was also asked to notify the EHDC Conservation Officer.

Warrengate Land – Cllr K.St Pier attended a CPRE meeting on 12/12/02 with various other Parish Councils who have similar experiences. The Clerk was asked to confirm that both Article 4's had been served, whether the Secretary of State had ratified them and what exactly the Article 4 covered. Cllr K.St Pier volunteered to attend a site meeting on 31.1.03 with MP Oliver Heald and the Tewin Society.

92. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment – In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £4195.37 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

93. STANDING ORDERS/FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The Clerk will distribute copies of the suggested new standing orders and financial regulations in order for them to be agreed at the next meeting.

94. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Road Works Outstanding – Refer Appendix 1.

Herts County Councillor Bryan Hammond informed us that various gully cleansing and road patching teams would be in the area during the next month. The 30mph speed limit is on the point of being resolved. HCC have applied in the 2003/2004 budget for a substantial sum in order to rectify the flooding in School Lane, Upper Green and Orchard Road.

The Council agreed that the Clerk should meet the highways officer in order to go through the work needed.

Dog Waste Bins – A parishioner has requested dog waste bins to be installed in Grass Warren and the Council agreed to monitor the situation.

Tewin Stores Sign – The Parish Council unanimously supported the proposal of a directional sign to the village shop to be located on Lower Green. Cllr B.Hammond agreed to take this forward.

Archers Green – The close boarding fencing is attached to the bridge and is a barrier to prevent anyone falling into the river.

Damaged Bus Timetable Notice – This has now been repaired.

95. PAVILION & UPPER GREEN

Excess Water Around Pavilion and Ditch at Back of Upper Green – Cllr K.St Pier is continuing to monitor the situation and will investigate the soak away

Users of Pavilion Meeting – Another meeting is expected to be arranged shortly.

Funding Fair – Cllr S.Stott attended the Funding Fair on 4th Dec 2002 and will report at the next meeting.

96. CORRESPONDENCE Received in December 2002 and January 2003

Correspondence Received - See Appendix 2

Grass Warren Tree – The Parish Council agreed that the tree should be removed.

Rural Strategy Paper – This is to be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.

Elected Regional Assemblies - Cllr K.St Pier proposed and Cllr S.Glew seconded the proposal that a referendum should be held on the establishment of an elected regional assembly in this region.

97. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

Various works are in progress.

98. COMMON LAND

Common Land 148 – The letting agent has asked for approval of some amendments to the sign. The Parish Council had no objection to the shape or height of the sign but the board and lettering are too big and out of proportion.

99. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin School – Nothing to report.

Tewin Memorial Hall – Accounts received.

Tewin Website – Nothing to report

100. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 24th February 2003 at 7.45pm in Tewin Memorial Hall.

101. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 11pm.

APPENDIX 1 – HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS

Fault line: 01438 737321 Enquiries: 01438 737320

District Team: 01992 526900 Assistant District Manager: Val Weaver

Assistant Engineer: Ian Bishop

PC John Ivens, Rural Community Liaison Officer: 07736 225373

No	Priority Ref:	WORK IDENTIFIED AS NEEDING TO BE DONE AND REPORTED TO THE PARISH ENGINEER.	DATE WORK SCHEDULED FOR
1	1b	Bridge in Churchfield Road – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	Nothing to report
5		Damaged and Missing Kerbing to be replaced outside the Memorial Hall.	Awaiting
6	1a	School Lane Drainage -	EHDC applying for extra money for repair wk
8		The Hazels Guard Rails - to be repainted by HCC.	Only if in a very bad state
17		Tewin Hill – Triangle Horse & Rider Sign missing half way up Tewin Hill on the right past the farm.	Done 1/03
20		Bramfield Road going to Bulls Green – flooding caused by a blocked drain needs cleaning	
25		Depression opposite 4 Hertford Road Reported to 24hr Fault line on 1.10.01 Ref 1004796/ 13/5 Ref 1020829	Chased on 13/5, 20/6
27		Lower Green/Hertford Road – Pooling of water	Chased 29/4
30		The point of Lower Green near the Post Office is being eroded as cars turn – Advice on stopping erosion	
35		Back of finger signpost missing on Lower Green. 12/12 Ref 1042844	
36		Flooding of water in Upper Green Road opposite entrance to Godfries Close. 12/12 Ref 1042842	
37		Flooding around the Tewin Memorial Hall – School Lane backing up and pushing manhole covers up on path from Car Park to Hall – 12/11Ref 1038106 12/12 chased	
38		Flooding in Orchard Road outside No 45. 12/11 Ref 1038104 12/12 chased	
39		Potholes where Churchfield Road joins with St Peter Church driveway	Repaired
40		Pothole in Orchard Rd opposite bus shelter at the end of Desborough Drive. Ref 1042831	
41		Gulley outside Rose & Crown blocked, surrounding tarmac breaking up.	

Appendix 2 – Correspondence Received in December 2002 and January 2003

Letter re Intro of directly elected regional government.
Freedom of Info Confirmation
Letter from Friends of Tewin re Exhibition in Tewin
Elected Regional Assemblies
Licencing request from Tewinbury Farm
CDA Annual Review 2001 - 2002
Countryside Management Service re PEAPS
Receipt of £1419.16 from EHDC re grass cutting
Receipt of £1494.17 from HCC re grass cutting
Acknowledgement of Poppy Appeal Donation
Natural World Magazine
Acknowledgement of Donation to Cancer Research on behalf of David Compton
Telephone Bill
HMWT Request for donations to buy Badger Field, Tewin Orchard as it is for Sale
NHS Patient & Public Involvement in Health Project
East Herts Rural Inclusion Forum – Mon 3rd March 7pm~9pm at Bennington Village Hall
Aim is to support PC's, promote Parish plans and ensure local rural community needs are taken into consideration
HALC Information & Newsletter
Awareness of Your Local Ward Constable
Environmental Matters Magazine December 2002
Tewin Memorial Hall Invoice
Natural Communities
Local Council Review
Best Value Review of Libraries
Clerks & Councils Direct
TCG Newsletter from CPRE
Area Forum West Meeting 19th Dec 7.30pm at Wallfields
Renewable Energy and the Planning system Questionnaire 31.jan.03
Letter from Tree Warden re Grass Warren tree.

Recycling Details for Xmas
Summary of Off Street Car Parking Study
NSPCC Request for Donation
Letter from Cllr Duncan Peek re Stansted Expansion Proposals
HALC Newsletter
Weekly List of Applications from EHDC
EHDC Executive Responsibilities
Letter from T & R Kearns
AGRE Newsletter
Barclays Bank changes to Business Deposit Account Terms
Shaw's books for Local Councils
Reminder for Response to Government Consultation on future Development of Air Transport in the UK
EEDA £3m competition to provide broadband internet access for communities.