

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th September 2010 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: K.Lawson (Chairman), K. St Pier (Vice Chairman), D. Howson, D. Lloyd and J.Sheridan.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), East Herts District Councillor M.McMullen, East Herts District Councillor L.Haysey and five parishioners. PC Andy Woodward attended at 8pm.

46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr D.Manners, Cllr B.Evans and Cllr A.Hill.

PARISHIONERS COMMENTS

Mrs E.Wilson from Upper Green Road attended to voice her concerns about the noise from the rave on land off B1000 near Holly Bushes just outside Hertford, at the weekend, the difficulty parking in Grass Warren, that Highways has not yet collected the road signs after the road works and the planning application for rear of 78 Upper Green Road based on the overall look of the building in terms of bricks and roof tiles which would be out of keeping with the surrounding properties.

Mr C.Parsons of Godfries Close attended to ask the Parish Council to put full details in the Parish News of how to ring the Environmental Health Officer and the Police if another rave occurs. Cllr L.Haysey offered to talk to East Herts Council Customer Service Section about making it easier to get through to the Environmental Health night duty officer. Cllr M.McMullen explained that Temporary Event Notices issued are listed on the East Herts website.

Mrs I.Manners attended to express her objections to the planning application at the rear of 78 Upper Green Road on the same basis as for the previous application in particular the three first floor windows which will overlook the property and the gravel driveway which will cause noise disturbance.

PC Andy Woodward attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on the rave which was disbanded on Sunday morning and the travellers that arrived on land belonging to Tewinbury Farm between Churchfield Road and the Parish boundary on Friday 3rd September. The owners of Tewinbury Farm brought in private bailiffs and the police served a Section 61 which resulted in the travellers departing on Sunday afternoon.

47. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

48. PAVILION MANAGEMENT

The Committee recommended that the most appropriate legal entity would be a Community Interest Company which is designed for those wishing to operate for the benefit of the community. The Parish Council unanimously agreed to set up a Community Interest Company.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to use Hedleys Solicitors to set up the Community Interest Company and draw up the lease at a cost of £870 plus vat, up to a maximum of £1000.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to provide a start up fund of £1000 to the Community Interest Company when it has been set up.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to continue to pay for the insurance and the maintenance on the Pavilion at least to begin with.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to send out a newsletter to the Parish explaining the setting up of the Community Interest Company, advertising for a cleaner and advising of the Open Day and inviting Expressions of Interest from Parishioners who would be interested in helping with the Community Interest Company.

The Parish Council agreed that the members of the Community Interest Company should comprise: a representative from each of the clubs, three representatives from the Parish Council and 3 independent representatives from the parish.

49. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £1,046.74 from the Current Account were approved by the Council.

In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £20,355.66 from the Pavilion Account were approved by the Council. A VAT refund of £5,483.59 was received from HMRC.

Mandate Change – Cllr K St Pier agreed to contact the bank to ensure that the change of signatories and the Simple Serving Authority had been completed

50. PLANNING

Planning Applications received

3/10/1415/FP – Rear of 78 Upper Green Road, Tewin – Erection of detached house and garage – TPC agreed that the changes on the new plans did not seem to reflect or answer the reasons that East Herts Council refused the previous application (refer minutes dated 10th May 2010) and thus the proposed dwelling, by reason of its scale, bulk and design would appear unduly dominant and out of keeping with the character of the surrounding area. They also agreed that the scale and design of the proposed dwelling does not preserve or enhance the setting of the nearby Grade II listed buildings.

3/10/1468/FP – 6 West Riding, Tewin – Demolition of existing concrete garage and erection of new double garage – TPC No Comment

3/10/1489/FP – 2 Upper Green, Tewin – Proposed Entrance Gates – TPC No Comment

39 Upper Green Road, Tewin – Ground Floor Rear Extension – Minor alterations to planning application – TPC No Comment.

Planning Decisions

3/10/1048/FP – 28 Grass Warren, Tewin – Single storey rear extension – TPC Comment on restricting working hours – EHC Granted

3/10/0801/FP – 22 Hertford Road, Tewin – Erection of detached car port with integral log store - TPC No Comment – EHC Granted

3/10/1066/FP – The Old Tower, 16 Firs Walk, Tewin – Detached triple garage and store and new access drive – TPC No Comment - EHC Refused

Certificates of Lawfulness – None to report

Enforcement Issues – Nothing to Report

East Herts LDF Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation Meeting – Cllrs K.Lawson, K.St Pier and D.Lloyd attended the meeting on 29th July. Cllr St Pier also attended the Community Voice Meeting at Wallfields, Hertford on the same topic. The consultation document has now been received and is in circulation. A questionnaire will be sent to every household by East Herts Council with East Herts Link. Another meeting will be held on 30th September at Datchworth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

51. PAVILION REFURBISHMENT

JCT Minor Works Contract – A form of this contract has been signed and returned to the Clerk.

Asbestos – An asbestos survey has been completed and a written report received. The asbestos has been successfully removed.

All other works are progressing well.

52. PLAYGROUND

Playground Weekly Inspections – A report of a toddler slipping on the bridge of the multi play unit was received. This was reported to the manufacturer and the Clerk was asked to photograph the bridge when wet and forward them to the manufacturer.

Playground Gates – The gate and fencing will be mended in due course.

ROSPA Report - This has been completed and the repairs necessary on the gate and fence were mentioned in the report but identified as Low Risk. These repairs have already been identified by the Parish Council.

53. HIGHWAYS

Upper Green Road Repairs – These have been completed. A request has been made to Highways to put Orchard Road on the list for road repairs as it was not included in the recent works.

Memorial Hall/Scout Hut Sign – The Clerk was asked to chase Highways again.

Road Signs – These have not been removed since the road works and the Clerk will chase Highways again.

54. RISK ASSESSMENT

Cllr J.Sheridan has kindly completed the refurbishment of various benches throughout the village, the bus shelter and the Parish Council notice board outside the shop.

55. CORRESPONDENCE

Asbestos - An enquiry about the cost of removing the asbestos from the Pavilion was received. The Council agreed a response.

Tewin Memorial Hall Committee - A request was received from the Tewin Memorial Hall Committee to issue an amendment to an item in the Parish Council minutes for 7th June 2010. Whilst it is not possible to amend past minutes, the Parish Council agreed that the following wording would be more suitable:

"Management of Pavilion - Tewin Memorial Hall Committee found that it was not in a position to co-operate over the management of the Pavilion".

Local Development Framework Issues and Option Consultation – A parishioner has made a request to receive a copy of the briefing paper on this topic. The Council agreed.

Panshanger Noise Complaint - A noise complaint about the flights from Panshanger was received from a parishioner. Oliver Heald MP had already been informed.

Rose & Crown - The relocation of the satellite dish at the Rose & Crown was noted.

Community Right to Build - The Council responded to NALC about the Government's plans for the Community Right to Build, a new power that will allow communities across England to come together and create new homes, shops, businesses and facilities. The Parish Council responded in detail emphasising that they would like to be able to control what is built and what is not built as the local residents know what is best for the community.

Upper Green - A complaint has been received about foul language on the football pitch on Upper Green. The Parish Council agreed to note the problem and monitor the situation.

56. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin Charities Trustees – Nothing to report

Transport – Nothing to report

Tewin Website – Nothing to report

Memorial Hall – The Committee asked the Parish Council to ascertain from Highways who the drains at the front belong to.

Policing – Nothing to report.

Pavilion Representative – Nothing to report

Parish Paths Partnership – Concerns about the safety of the stile on FP34, the state of the bridge on FP22 and the condition of the handrail on FP 23 were reported to HCC.

57. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Monday 4th October 2010 in the Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 10.35pm.

APPENDIX 1 – HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS August 2010

Fault line: 01438 737321

District Team: 01992 526900

Assistant District Manager: Eralp Yucelt

Area Engineer: Vicki Leggett

Veolia/ Three Valleys Water 0845-7823333 (fault/leak reporting)

Please be aware that Highways have a very limited budget and have to prioritise all work.

Ref:	WORK IDENTIFIED AS NEEDING TO BE DONE AND REPORTED TO THE PARISH ENGINEER.	ACTION
1	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	H/W Noted
2	Kerbing – Two loose kerb stones on drive opposite Tewin Stores	H/W noted
3	Line Markings – Most done some missed such as School Lane	
4	Flooding - outside 12/14 Hertford Road.	
5	Signs – i) Village Hall/Scout Hut Sign	
6	Resurfacing - Orchard Road	