

## TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th September 2016 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs K.St Pier (Chairman), Cllr B. Evans, Cllr D.Howson, Cllr K. Lawson, Cllr D. Lloyd, Cllr N.Moore and Cllr J.Sheridan.

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

**47. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllrs A Hill (Vice Chairman), East Herts Councillor Linda Haysey and East Herts Councillor Michael McMullen.

### **PARISHIONERS COMMENTS**

Three households from Harwood Close attended to outline their objections to the planning applications to 16 Harwood Close.

Two representatives from Netherdown attended to outline their proposal for land to the rear of 16a Hertford Road.

Three households attended to support the planning application on land to the rear of 16a Hertford Road.

A parishioner attended to outline his objections to the application for a new house on the land between 39a Upper Green Road and Mimram Drive.

A parishioner attended to answer any questions on their certificate of lawfulness application.

### **48. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr J. Sheridan declared an interest in the planning application for land to the rear of 16a Hertford Road as his property backs on to it.

### **49. PLANNING**

#### **Planning Applications Received**

**3/16/1938/HH - 16 Harwood Close, Tewin** - Demolish garage, two storey side extension, enlarged at ground floor level. Single storey rear extension - *TPC acknowledged the strong feeling from three households who attended the meeting to object to the cumulative effect of the extension (including Certificate of lawfulness) which would disproportionately and inappropriately alter the original dwelling which would not be in keeping in the surrounding properties and area.*

**3/16/1772/FUL - Land Rear of 16a Hertford Road, Tewin** - Construction of a single chalet style detached dwelling with access and landscaping. Construction of detached open garage for 12 Hertford Road - *TPC No Comment.*

**3/16/1783/FUL - Land Between 39a Upper Green Road and Mimram Drive, Tewin** - Erection of one new dwelling - *TPC objected on the basis of poor quality of the plans and lack of confidence in their accuracy, dispute over boundary lines, dangerous proposed access, overlooking and overshadowing of neighbouring properties and lack of front garden which is out of keeping with its neighbours, with their enclosed frontages.*

**3/16/1890/HH - 20 Bishops Road, Tewin** - Demolish existing conservatory and replace with single storey rear orangery, alterations to existing rear bay including removal of tiled roof and replace with flat roof incorporating new first floor rear balcony. Replace existing first floor side window with new door. Demolish existing porch and replace with new pitched roof porch. Replace new windows with timber double glazed units. Alterations to fenestration - *TPC No Comment.*

**3/16/1846/FUL - 30 Lower Green, Tewin** - Change of use of land to residential garden land - *TPC No Comment.*

**3/16/1656/HH - 13 Bishops Road, Tewin** - Demolition of the existing rear extension and reconfiguration of the existing internal layout including a rear single storey extension with and alterations to doors and windows - *TPC objects to the eclectic mix of glazing on the frontage as excluding the front door there are seven glazing elements only two of which have the same size and style which is not in keeping with the surrounding properties and area.*

#### **Planning Decisions**

**3/13/1453/HH - 9 Bishops Road, Tewin** - Two & single storey side and rear extensions, alterations to front elevation, widening of existing access, new fences, gates and post to front of property - *TPC had no objection to the plans for the house but did have concerns about the treatment of the front boundary in particular the proposed height and materials and the effect on the street scene - EHC Refused due to the cumulative effect of the proposed development would disproportionately alter of the size of the property which constitutes inappropriate development in the Green Belt. The proposed front boundary treatment by reason of its siting, height and design is not in keeping with the character and appearance of the locality.*

#### **Certificates of Lawfulness**

**3/16/1887/CLP - 16 Harwood Close, Tewin** - Single storey rear extension.

**3/16/1744/CLP - 4 Tewin Hill, Tewin** - Proposed loft conversion comprising of rear dormer, opening will be created for 2no white UPVC casement windows. Further openings will be created to include 5no velux windows.

#### **Appeal**

**AP/16/0074/REFUSE** - Warrengate Farm, Money Hole Lane, Tewin - Confirmation of land use as garden/residential not agricultural  
**3/15/1072/CLE** - *EHC Refused - Appeal Submitted .*

**Enforcement** - Some queries about CCTV, Clay pigeon traps , helicopter landings and excessive lighting at Lady Walk have been raised by a parishioner and Planning Enforcement have advised that these have been investigated before and the case closed as the landowner was within his rights.

## **50. 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 August 2016 amounted to £4,462.

**Online Banking** - The Parish Council recently experienced the situation where a company they wished to purchase a service from would not accept payment by cheque. The Parish Council noted that it is possible to get online dual authorisation for third party payments but it would involve a mandate change and a change to the Financial Regulations.

**External Audit** – BDO LLP has completed the audit of Tewin Parish Council accounts and has issued an unqualified audit opinion as they consider the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. The audit form will be displayed on the Parish Council notice board for the statutory 14 days and is also available to view on the Tewin Village website.

**Kerbing Works** - The works have been completed and A Staunton Groundwork and Civil Engineering Ltd are returning to complete some snagging.

**Open Spaces Society** - The Parish Council agreed to the annual subscription.

## **51. HIGHWAYS**

**Ditch on Upper Green Road** - Nothing to report.

## **52. PAVILION AND UPPER GREEN**

**Electrical Works** - The works are due to be completed shortly.

**PAT Testing** - The works have been arranged for 26th September 2016.

**Green Shed Roof** - The spare roof sheet is being sourced from the supplier.

**Upper Green Parking** - Greene King are currently looking into solutions for the parking problems around Upper Green and have advised that they are aware of residents views.

**Plume of Feathers Triangle** - Greene King are currently looking into solutions to the erosion of the triangle which is village green.

## **53. LOWER GREEN & SURROUNDING AREAS**

**14-44 Upper Green Road** - Riversmead have agreed to fund an extra hedge cut.

**Access road alongside 27 Grass Warren** - Riversmead have been reminded about repairing the numerous potholes on this road.

**Carols on Lower Green on 19th December 2016** - The Parish Council agreed that this could be held on Lower Green.

## **54. RISK ASSESSMENT**

The Parish Council agreed to obtain some quotes for clearing the ditch at Lousehole Bottom and to create an earth bund along the edge of May Pond Green.

## **55. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Godfries Close** - An overgrown cherry tree outside 1 Godfries Close has been reported to Herts Highways for pruning.

**Parish & Urban Conference** on 26th October at Ware Priory - Parish Councillors noted.

**Sir Oliver Heald Surgery** - This has been booked for Saturday 14th January 2017 from 9.30 until 10.30 at Tewin Memorial Hall.

**Speeding on B1000** - Cllr Ken Crofton advised that he had forwarded the Parish Council's concerns about the speed of traffic on the B1000 to the relevant officers. A reply is awaited.

## **56. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

**Allotment Association** - There is currently only one plot available.

**Bowls Club Hedge** - The Parish Council agreed to raise the overgrown hedge requiring pruning with the Bowls Club.

## **57. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 3rd October 2016 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall. As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.55pm.

**HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS August 2016**

<b>Ref:</b>	<b>PROBLEM.</b>	<b>DATE RAISED</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
1	<b>Reinstatement of Kerbing along northern edge of Lower Green</b>	2013	TPC Completed Sept 2016
2	<b>Bridge Reflectors</b> in Churchfield Road (nr B1000) – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	2012	Reported on highway fault website
3	<b>Line Markings</b> – Missing on School Lane	2012	Reported on Highway fault website
4	<b>Signs - Hollybushes</b> - Directional Tewin sign missing - <b>Lower Green</b> - Directional finger post missing	2013	Reported on Highway fault website
5	<b>Ditch - Upper Green</b> - Highways are scheduled to clear it	2016	
6	<b>Speeding on B1000</b> - Cllr K Crofton written to and reply awaited	2016	