

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th June 2017 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

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

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), East Herts Councillor Michael McMullen and no parishioners.

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from Cllr D.Howson, Cllr N.Moore and East Herts Councillor Linda Haysey.

NO PARISHIONERS COMMENTS.

17. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 8th May 2017, copies of which have been previously circulated to Councillors were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

18. NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

19. PLANNING

Planning Applications Received

3/17/1155/PNHH - 11 Cowpers Way, Tewin - 2 single storey rear extensions: Depth 8.0 metres, Maximum height 4.0 metres, Eaves height 2.4 metres - *TPC agreed to refer to concerns raised in letter to Kevin Steptoe, Head of Development Control, EHC dated 18th May 2017.*

3/17/1079/HH - 29 Orchard Road, Tewin - Proposed two storey rear extension - amendment to previous approval 3/17/0484/CLP - Infilling of 100mm gap between approved extension and existing building - *TPC agreed to refer to concerns raised in letter to Kevin Steptoe, Head of Development control EHC dated 18th May 2017.*

3/17/0992/HH - 30 Lower Green, Tewin - Change of use of land to residential curtilage and extension to garage annex within new curtilage (resubmission of App Ref: 3/14/0946/FP) - *TPC No Comment*

3/17/0836/VAR - 74 Upper Green Road, Tewin - Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans) and 6 (landscaping) of planning application 3/15/1018/VAR - Erection of 1no dwelling - Amendment to design reducing overall scale and to achieve Passivhaus energy and comfort standard. Rewording of condition 2 to show drawings 3353.10 Rev C and 3353.11 Rev A. Rewording of condition 6 to show drawing 3353.11 Rev A - *TPC No Comment- TPC Agreed to forward request for application to go to Committee.*

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

Planning Decisions

3/17/0746/FUL - Land Rear of 16a Hertford Rd, Tewin - Erection of two 3no bedroom dwellings and two detached garages with associated access and parking - *TPC No Comment - EHC Granted.*

3/17/0722/OUT - Land East of Upper Green Road, Tewin - Construction of 9no dwellings consisting of 4no 3 bedroom and 5no 2 bedrooms with two new vehicular accesses - *TPC Object to the proposal as the applicant has not justified building on Green Belt land, the proposals are incompatible with the submitted District Plan and therefore not a sustainable development and it would create a precedent for other developers with land around the village. TPC also supported parishioners comments against the proposed application - EHC Refused*

Planning: Alison Young, Development Manager, EHC will reply in 20 days to the letter sent to Kevin Steptoe, Head of Development Control, EHC about the current extended permitted development rights which are resulting in multiple un aesthetic single storey extensions rather than aesthetic extensions which compliment the property and are in keeping with the surrounding area. The Parish Council agreed to write to Kevin Steptoe and Alison Young with three further examples of planning applications received this month.

Certificates of Lawfulness

3/17/1226/CLP - Four Winds, Desborough Drive, Tewin - Erection of single storey rear extension, single storey side / rear extension, new entrance porch, dormer windows, alterations to openings and replacement windows on ground and first floors. New second floor window and roof lights.

20. 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 8th May 2017 amounted to £6494.96 and from the Pavilion account amounted to £1443.24.

Insurance - The 5 year long term quote of £819.66 from Zurich Municipal had been confirmed to include the defibrillator and cabinet at no extra charge.

Benches - The Parish Council agreed to purchase two benches with anchors from Jati Ltd for £827.95 incl vat to be located on Upper Green overlooking the tennis courts.

Lower Green Electricity - The Parish Council agreed to pay an invoice from EON of £25 .

Public Works Loan Board - The loan repayment of £2916.77 will be paid by direct debit on 7th June 2017.

Internal Audit - McCash & Hay completed the internal audit and confirmed that all the records were in good order and they did not need to qualify the report in any way. The Internal Audit Certificate has been completed and signed. The invoice for £122 plus VAT was paid

Inspection Period - The accounting records of the Parish Council for FYE 31.3.2017 are available for inspection from 3rd June until 14th July by appointment with the Clerk only.

21. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Gully outside Tewin Cowper School - Herts Highways are investigating the ownership of the gully. The Parish Council have supplied a Highways map showing the position of the gully outside the school gates and highlighted in grey along with the road and pavements of Cannons Meadow which usually indicates some form of public ownership. *To date there has been no further response.*

May Pond Green Trees - Herts Highways will be conducting 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.*

Drivesafe - The Herts Police and Crime Commissioner has agreed to provide Tewin Drivesafe with a fixed flashing solar powered speed indication device along with funds for repair and maintenance over the next 5 yrs. Installation is expected later this summer. The Parish Council agreed that Tewin Drivesafe team should submit expense invoices for reimbursement for last year and going forward.

Fly Tipping - Further fly tipping to be reported on Hertford Road , on the B1000 lay by as well as on B1000 past the Lafarge Tarmac gatehouse. The Parish Council agreed to ask East Herts Council why it was taking so long for the fly tipping to be collected.

22. PAVILION AND UPPER GREEN

Weekly Playground Inspections - Nothing to report.

Dead Tree Adj to Upper Green - The Parish Council agreed to write to the landowner.

Pavilion Building Regulations - Building regulations approval has been received from East Herts Council.

Schedule of works, floor plans and elevations - These have been received from Ted Kavanagh Planning Services and the Parish Council agreed to pay the invoice.

Tender - The Parish Council agreed that an external toilet was not necessary and agreed to tender for the extension works to the Pavilion

Fire Extinguisher Service - This has been completed by T&J Fire and no further works are necessary.

23. LOWER GREEN

Christmas Tree - Cllr B Evans is waiting for confirmation from Majestic Trees about the watering regime for the tree.

Godfries Close Access Road Repairs - Riversmead Housing Association advised that they have written to all private owners of the houses that use the access road outlining costings for the repair and asking for contributions.

Untaxed Cars on Lower Green - One car has been removed and the other remains in the road. DVLA advise that the process will take time.

24. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP (P3) GRANT

As agreement from the Rights of Way Service, Herts County Council could not be obtained to install a larger pipe on BR4 at this current time the application has been submitted for tidying of the ditch and full replacement of the pedestrian bridge on FP23 which should cost £1000 or less.

25. PARISH RISK ASSESSMENT 2017

Dandelions in tarmac and fencing on ground - Riversmead /Housing Association have requested weed spraying.

Bus Stop Tiles missing - Cllr K St Pier to replace.

Xmas Tree Electricity Wiring - Cllr K St Pier has replaced the socket and buried the cable so it is safe.

Lower Green Litter Bins - The Parish Council agreed to order two new litter bins.

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

Pavilion Shed Roof Repair - Ted Kavanagh aware and spare roof sheet received.

Dead Tree Behind Upper Green - Write to landowner.

Flytipping Hertford Road - Report again and ask EHC why it is taking so long to get picked up.

Grass Warren Potholes - These need reporting again as all tarmac has come out.

Maypond Green Electricity Meter Cupboard - The Parish Council agreed to ask Sevenacres Residents Association if they would ask the management company to give it a coat of paint.

26. CORRESPONDENCE

Parking on Tewin Hill and Upper Green Road - The Parish Council agreed to obtain an update from Greene King about parking proposals.

Tebbutts Shop Shut - The shop has now closed and Cllr K St Pier agreed to attend a meeting on 14th June.

Increased Air Traffic - Due to concerns raised about increased air traffic a query was raised with Luton Airport, Noise and Environment Complaint line and a response is expected in writing.

27. NO REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at 7.45pm on Monday 3rd July 2017 at Tewin Memorial Hall .

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.20pm.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS May 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