

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th February 2018 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 and Cllr N.Moore.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), East Herts Councillor Michael McMullen.

95. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from Cllr A. Hill, Cllr J.Sheridan, East Herts Councillor Linda Haysey.

NO PARISHIONERS COMMENTS

96. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 4th December 2017 and 29th January 2018, copies of which have been previously circulated to Councillors, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

97. NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

98. PLANNING

Planning Applications Received

3/17/2883/HH - Highfields, Queen Hoo Lane, Tewin - Single storey orangery extension linking the main dwelling to the garage incorporating a wood burning stove flue - *TPC No Comment*.

3/17/2881/HH - 4 Desborough Drive, Tewin - Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation - *TPC No Comment*.

3/14/1506/FP - The Studio, Churchfields, Tewin - Change of use from ancillary building r/o Farce to permanent dwelling. Revised plans received April 2016 providing additional details of parking and building interior and elevations - *TPC maintain all previous objections as they do not want the annex to become a separate dwelling. They support parishioners and Highways objections.*

3/17/2867/HH - Woodbury, 6 East riding, Tewin - Demolition of existing conservatory, utility room, garage and part kitchen. Erection of single storey side and rear extension. Erection of two storey side extension and replacement of existing roof. Alterations to fenestration. Insertion of balconies and canopy roof at rear. Alterations to application 3/15/1651/HH - *TPC Object as it is not in keeping with the street scene.*

Planning Decisions

3/17/2844/HH - 25 Harwood Close, Tewin - Single storey side extension, alterations to fenestration on the ground floor side and rear elevations, new external door at 1st floor level and use of external 1st floor roof as a balcony - *TPC objects to this application as a large balcony can be used for social events by the current and future residents of the property and this combined with the elevated position would cause more disturbance to the neighbourhood. TPC supports the objections to this application from the surrounding neighbours - EHC Granted.*

Enforcement Issues - Nothing to report.

Hertfordshire Draft Minerals Local Plan Consultation from 4th December until 9th February 2018 - The Parish Council agreed that no comment was necessary.

99. 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 12th December 2017 amounted to £3004.01.

Carols on the Green - The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £114 towards Carols on the Green.

Senior Citizens lunch - The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £100 towards the Senior Citizens lunch.

Grass Cutting Reimbursements - These have been received from Riversmead Housing Association and Herts Highways.

VAT Reclaim - The VAT reclaim for £1470.29 has been received.

Internal Audit - This was completed on 31st January and everything was found to be in order.

Budget versus actual income and expenditure - This was reviewed and a surplus of £1686 is expected at the end of the year with grants, donations, NHB and associated expenditure are stripped out.

Financial risk assessment and effectiveness of internal audit - The date has yet to be confirmed.

100. HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

May Pond Green - An order has been placed with Majestic Trees for a Wild Service tree for £307.60 incl delivery and planting. A response concerning a contribution from Ken Crofton and Herts Highways is awaited.

Flooding of ditch and culvert Upper Green Road - This has been reported to James Vine, Herts Highways.

Pavement Opposite Rose & Crown Pub - The pavement has been cleared and overgrown turf placed along the northern edge of Lower Green next to the new kerbstones.

101. COMMUNITY BUS

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to grant £500 of funding towards the Community Bus for another year.

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102. LOWER GREEN

The Parish Council thanked Cllr A. Hill for placing granite blocks on the southern point of Lower Green to deter traffic and protect the green.

103. PAVILION AND UPPER GREEN

Weekly Playground Inspections - Nothing to report.

May Pond Green Electricity Cabinet - There are three potential live electricity cables in the cabinet and one cable cut off at ground level. The cupboard has been locked up and the Parish Council agreed to contact the electricity board about disconnecting. GTC advised that it is not a temporary builders supply installed by them. Dave Weston at Taylor Wimpey has been in contact with UKPN and is awaiting a response. He has also contacted Herts County Council to see if there has been any historic permission allowed by HCC.

Pavilion Extension Works - The expected start date is 9th April 2018. A further meeting to discuss amendments will be arranged. The Parish Council agreed to arrange a meeting with Tewin Tennis Club regarding their quest for coffee/tea making facilities when hirers are using the pavilion. Most of the regular hirers have now been relocated to the Bowls Club or the Parish Room at Tewin Memorial Hall for 12 weeks whilst the extension takes place.

Pavilion CIC - Cllr K St Pier and the Clerk attended a Pavilion CIC meeting and agreed that Cllr B.Evans and the Clerk will liaise over the extension works. The Parish Council agreed that that another Parish Council representative on the Tewin Pavilion CIC was not needed at this time.

Pavilion Maintenance - The Parish Council agreed to get a quote to relay the uneven paving stones on the tennis club terrace by the hedge as well as replace the broken toilet seat and mend the leaking tap.

104. DEFIBRILLATORS

Both the cabinets at Burnham Green Village Hall and Tewin Memorial Hall have been installed and registered with the ambulance service and are now fully functional.

105. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP (P3) GRANT

The works to rebuild the steps on FP 26 opposite the shop and to replace the handrail and install a new one on the foot bridge on FP23 have been completed. The works to level FP 13 by Muspatt's Farm will be completed in the drier weather.

106. PARISH RISK ASSESSMENT 2017

Cut ins at Lousehole Bottom, Hertford Road and Margery Wood - The cut ins on Margery Wood have been done.

All the risk assessment works have now been completed.

107. CORRESPONDENCE

Aggressive Cows - This email from a parishioner has been passed to the landowner and to Tom Goldsmith, Countryside Access Officer, HCC Rights of Ways Service.

108. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin Stores - The AGM is on 7th February 2018.

109. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at 7.45pm on Monday 5th March 2018 at Tewin Memorial Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.04pm.