

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th July 2022 at Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

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

In attendance: C. McFarlane (Clerk).

14. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from Cllr N Moore, East Herts Cllr M McMullen, East Herts Cllr L.Haysey and Herts County Councillor K Crofton.

15. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 6th June 2022, copies of which have been previously circulated to Councillors were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

16. NO PARISHIONERS COMMENTS

17. NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

18. PLANNING

Planning applications

3/22/1290/HH – Woodlands, 126 Bramfield Road - Single storey rear extensions. Insertion of bifold doors. Alterations to fenestration. Removal of apron pitched roof and replacement with flat roof and parapet wall – *TPC No Comment*.

3/22/1225/HH - The Old School House, Lower Green, Tewin - Erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to ground floor rear fenestration - *TPC No Comment*.

3/22/1213/HH - 2A Bishops Road, Tewin - Erection of garden room and store - *TPC No Comment*.

3/22/1204/FUL - Tewin Cowper J M I School, Cannons Meadow, Tewin - Single storey extension to north elevation - *TPC No Comment*.

3/22/1100/LBC – Theresa's Cottage, Marden Hill - Enlarging courtyard door and window opening and inserting an aluminium 'Crittall' door with fixed glazed side-light - *TPC No Comment*.

3/22/1334/PNHH - Seven Pines, Margery Lane, Tewin - Single storey rear and side extensions: Depth 8.00 metres, Maximum height 4.00 metres, Eaves height 2.51 metres.

3/22/1274/ASDPN - Seven Pines, Margery Lane, Tewin - Construction of an additional storey to the bungalow to increase the height of the dwelling from 4.861 metres to 7.219 metres.

3/22/1256/CLPO - Seven Pines, Margery Lane, Tewin - Two single storey side extensions and two single storey rear extensions.

3/22/1212/CLPO - 2A Bishops Road, Tewin - Single storey side extension.

3/22/1305/FUL - Marden Dairy, Archers Green Lane, Tewin - Erection of stable building within the residential curtilage of the dwelling house, together with the erection of a menage and associated change of use of adjacent land to equestrian (both for private use) – *TPC No comment*

Planning Decisions

3/22/0428/HH – 2 Badgers Walk, Tewin – Part single, part two storey side extension and two storey rear extension. Insertion of window to first floor side extension – *TPC No Comment – EHC Granted*.

3/22/0445/HH – Tewin Oaks, 42 Orchard Road, Tewin - Two storey rear infill extension. Alter 1 ground floor side window into French doors with side light windows - *TPC No Comment – EHC Refused due to overdevelopment and loss of light to neighbouring property*.

3/22/0568/HH – 29 Upper Green Road, Tewin - Demolition of garage. Erection of a single and two storey side extensions – *TPC No Comment – EHC Granted*.

Appeals

3/21/2260/HH - 42 Lower Green, Tewin - Enclosure of pergola with glazed panels and doors and clear polycarbonate flat roof - *TPC No Comment – EHC Refused*.

3/21/0913/HH – Land off Hertford Road, Tewin - Change of use of land for Equestrian; erection of a stable block and fencing; Hardstanding with car parking spaces and internal access way - *TPC Object – EHC Refused – TPC submitted a response to the Planning Inspectorate.*

Enforcement

Glamping: The Parish Council has become aware of potential "glamping" sites being set up in the parish.

The Duty Planning Officer advised that if the land is agricultural then it would be a change of use and therefore need planning permission. Planning Enforcement have also been advised and an update requested.

Dog Park: A dog park with a car park, fencing and wooden structure has just opened up off Churchfield Road, Tewin in a field. This was reported to East Herts Council Planning Enforcement and an update requested.

The Duty Planning Officer advised that if the land is agricultural then it would be a change of use and therefore need planning permission.

Mobile Home: The appeal for the temporary siting of a mobile home on agricultural land west Of Orchard Road was dismissed on 21.5.21. The mobile home is still in situ and Enforcement has been advised and an update requested.

E/20/0065/ENF - Dawley Woods, Tewin – Concerns about a mobile home with no planning permission, concerns a puppy farm being run, dogs bark through the night and are on the loose on the site.

EHC advised that the site has been visited and the 'mobile home' in the woods has been dismantled. A further visit will be made to check that the site has now been cleared of the resultant waste before the case is closed.

No evidence of a puppy farm has been seen at the site. An update has been requested

The Parish Council agreed to raise the lack of response from Enforcement with East Herts Cllr L Haysey.

Plotlands Article 4 Directive – The meeting with the EHC Legal team was postponed due to illness and annual leave and is scheduled for the beginning of July.

19. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments approved by the Parish Council amounted to £5,158.14 comprising: Kirkham Contracting £2480.03, Kirkham Contracting £1698.97, C McFarlane £795.89, NEST £83.44, J T Canton £50.00 and T&J Fire £49.81.

Budget Review - Income is in line with the budget. Donations received so far are £325 from Tewin Tennis Club towards the white lining of the tennis courts.

Expenditure is all within budget except for Charitable Donations of £300 to Friends of Tewin towards insurance expenses incurred for the Jubilee and £50 donation to the Over 50's Club.

Pavilion R&M includes expenditure on new showerheads and both the fire alarm & extinguisher service.

Repairs and Maintenance totals £815 and covers: tennis court white lines £325, removal of the allotment blackberry bush £40 and repair of post at Pavilion £50 as well as agreed but not yet invoiced : clearance of May Pond Green £320, Lifting Lower branches Hertford Rd £40 and Margery Lane Cut ins £40.

Tree works of £2450 is the cost of the tree survey by PR Newson which has been completed but not yet invoiced.

New Homes Bonus – There is currently £5,661 remaining of NHB to be spent after the tree survey.

Xero – The Parish Council noted that Xero will be increasing their prices by £2 per month to £28 per month in September.

20. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Upper Green Road Broken Birdsmouth Fencing - This has been reported to Herts Highways and some red and white tape put on it. The status of this fault is "this has been reported by someone else" and nothing has been done for a month. This has been raised with Cllr K Crofton.

Churchfield Road Potholes – The large potholes on Churchfield Road between 1 Churchfield Cottages and the back entrance to Tewin Bury Farm were reported a month ago but have not been filled. This has been raised with Cllr K Crofton.

Bus timetable – An error on the timetable has been reported by Cllr K Lawson and will be amended.

Saturday Community Bus - The Parish Council agreed to ask Tim Haywood Smith if he could arrange a steering committee meeting as soon as possible so that Cllr K Lawson can attend in order to get some more information.

21. LOWER GREEN

Dangerous Parking - The Head Teacher advised that she has sent requests to parents and re-issued their travel plan map. They also trialled a 'walking bus' for a week in May to encourage parents to park at the Rose and Crown; the children were then walked to school by staff members. She advised that she would chase the local police to attend at a drop-off time.

The Parish Council agreed to advise the Head Teacher that dangerous parking was continuing and agreed that the Clerk should also contact the police.

22. PAVILION & UPPER GREEN

Weekly Playground Inspections - Nothing to report.

Annual ROSPA Inspection – This is due to take place on the week commencing 25th July 2022.

Cricket Sight Screens – The Parish Council to ask the Cricket Club to remove the old sight screen.

Pavilion Fire Extinguisher Inspection – This took place on 15.6.22. No remedial action was necessary.

Urinals Battery – The Parish Council agreed to buy a new £8.50 battery for the urinal flusher in the Pavilion.

23. RISK ASSESSMENT

Lower Green – Paint meter cupboard door – K St Pier

May Pond Green – Raise lower branches, clear and tidy – Kirkham Contracting

Lousehole Bottom – Highways cut ins need clearing – Clerk has reported

100 Yr Wood – Find photo of missing plaque – K.Lawson

Grass Warren – Remove part of tree outside 14 Grass Warren – Kirkham Contracting

Pavilion – External tap dripping, Tap sticking in Ladies toilets - Done

Pavilion - Fixed Wire test - Clerk

Pavilion – Replace rotten exterior boards at the base of Pavilion – K St Pier

Tree Survey – The internal inspection of 6 trees took place on 28th June and we are awaiting the results.

On 28th June Cllrs K ST Pier, J.Sheridan, K Lawson and D Howson looked at the trees on Upper and Lower Green that require works. Various bits of minor dead wood was removed by Cllr K St Pier on 29th June 2022.

The Parish Council agreed to meet again to look at the trees on Tewin Hill and Queen Hoo Lane.

24. CORRESPONDENCE

Ward Walk – This was cancelled and will take place in October.

The Circuit (The National Defibrillator Network) – Both the Pavilion defibrillator and the Burnham Green Village Hall defibrillators have been added to this Map. The Pavilion CIC have been advised to do the same.

25. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Allotments – The ¾ inch water supply pipe has been replaced and the tank replaced with a post and tap.

26. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at 7.45pm on Monday 5th September 2022 at Tewin Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 9pm.