

## **TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 24 February 2003 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs K.Lawson (Chairman), K.St Pier, J.Burton, C.Pool, S.Glew, S.Stott and M.Howe.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), Cllr M.McMullen and 3 members of the public.

A parishioner attended to answer any questions about a planning application.

Two parishioners attended to ascertain the progress of the bicycle ramps request.

**102. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllr M.Hargreaves.

**103. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** held 27<sup>th</sup> January 2003 were amended, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

### **104. MATTERS ARISING**

**Playground** – As there are no further suggestions for a site for the proposed bicycle jumps this subject will be closed.

### **105. FINANCE**

**Accounts for Payment** – In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £494.68 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### **106.PLANNING**

#### **Warrengate: -**

The site meeting with MP Oliver Heald and the Tewin Society was postponed.

Article 4 Directions have been served on both plots of land and do not have to be ratified by the Secretary of State. They prevent any further erection of fencing without planning permission.

A second Article 4 has been sought on both plots of land and this has to be ratified by the Secretary of State and will take a couple of months. This Direction prevents the use of land for 28 days without planning permission, no agricultural buildings can be put up without planning permission, no plant machinery can be used, no roads or hard standing can be put down, no waste can be deposited, no ponds dug, no grading machinery used.

Cllr M.McMullen agreed that at the next EHDC meeting he would raise the issue of whether EHDC are in a position to act within the necessary timescale if this happens again.

The Chairman asked that a member of EHDC Planning Department be invited to attend the next meeting to discuss the issue.

#### **Applications:**

3/03/0059/FP/EH – Mimram House, Tewin Water, Digswell –Two storeys Side Extension – TPC No Obj

3/02/2546/FP/GF – 16 Lower Green, Tewin – Demolition & Construction of New Garage (amended drawings) – TPC No Obj

3/02/0979/FP/NJ – 3 Cowpers Way, Tewin Wood – Single and Two Storey Extensions, Access Drive and Vehicular Accesses (Amended Drawings) – TPC No Obj

3/03/0146/FP/JA – 20 Hertford Road, Tewin – 2 Storey Front Extension, Single Storey Rear Extension, Proposed Loft Conversion and Front and Rear Dormers – TPC No Obj

3/03/0153/FP/TH – 11 Desborough Drive, Tewin Wood – Double Storey Side Storey Extension & Bay Window. Demolish Existing Conservatory – TPC No Obj

3/03/0176/FP/EMW – Tewin Lodge, Churchfield Road, Tewin – Double Storey Extension to Rear of Building and Single Storey lean-to to side of Existing Building – TPC No Obj

3/03/0170/FP/TH – Kabete, West Riding, Tewin – Single Storey Sun Lounge Extension with Front Bay Window Extension – TPC No Obj

**Decisions:**

3/02/2510/FN – 40 Orchard Road, Tewin Wood – Rear Extension, Single Storey and Conversion of 2 Garages to Living Accommodation – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/02/2567/FP – Oak Heights, Tewin Water – Single Storey Side Extensions and 2 Storey Rear Extension-TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

**Appeals:**

E/02/0068/B – Land at the Stables/rear of Seven Acres, Upper Green Road- Appeal Dismissed

**Other Planning Items:**

**36 Firs Walk** – Cllr S.Glew and C.Pool undertook to take a further look at these plans.

**45 Orchard Road** - The Council agreed to write a letter to EHDC about the colour of the house.

**Planning Meeting** – This is scheduled for Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2003, if required.

**Rural Strategy Paper** – The Council agreed to decline to comment on this paper.

**Community Strategy Document** - Cllr M.McMullen agreed to find out when the 2<sup>nd</sup> Deposit Draft of the East Herts Local Plan is due out. The Council agreed to write a letter reiterating our concerns over Tewin being classed as a Category 1 village according to that version of the Local Plan. The Council also agreed to respond to the Community Strategy Document stating that, as the Local Plan has not been approved, Tewin is not yet a Category 1 village.

**107. STANDING ORDERS/FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

The Council agreed to change the meeting dates to the first Monday in the month except for August and January. The Council agreed unanimously to accept the changes to the Standing Orders and the Financial Regulations.

**108. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION ISSUES**

**Road Works Outstanding** – Refer Appendix 1.

**Rural Traffic & Transport Conference Summary** – The Council agreed to postpone discussion on this until the next meeting.

**Road Outside Tewin School** – This has been repaired to agricultural standard.

**Back Lane Gully** – A gully has been dug from the pond under Back Lane. The water then runs back onto the path leaving it very wet. The Clerk is waiting for confirmation of ownership of Back Lane from Land Registry.

**Orchard Road** – The Clerk was asked to inform Highways about the state of the road and verges after the recent gas works, in order to get it repaired.

**109. PAVILION & UPPER GREEN**

**Users of Pavilion Meeting** – Another meeting is expected to be arranged shortly.

**Excess Water Around Pavilion and Ditch at Back of Upper Green** – Cllr K.St Pier suggested that a covered trench be dug parallel to the path leading to the tennis club in order to take the water away from the path and the front of the Tennis Club.

**Funding Fair** – Cllr S.Stott attended the Funding Fair on 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 2002 and reported that there are lots of grants available for 60-90% of the funding. The details will be circulated.

#### **110. CORRESPONDENCE Received in February 2003**

Correspondence Received - See Appendix 2

**Elections** – The election is set for 1<sup>st</sup> May 2003. The nomination papers are on their way and have to be completed and returned to the EHDC Returning Officer by 12 noon on the 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**Dog Fouling** – The Clerk was asked to pass to the number of the Dog Warden to the Parishioner.

**School Lane Fencing** – The Council agreed that there was little they could do.

**Village of the Year Competition** – The Council agreed to complete some questions on the form.

**Recycling** – The Council had asked EHDC if it planned to apply for DEFRA funding for collection of recyclable waste, particularly paper. According to EHDC, there is no money currently available for kerbside recycling but there is some available for village “bring sites”. The Council feel that there are no suitable sites at this present moment.

#### **111. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP**

Parish Environmental Action Plans – Cllr S.Glew and Cllr K.St Pier agreed to arrange a meeting with the representative of these plans.

Many of the way markers have now been put up.

#### **112. COMMON LAND**

**Common Land 148** – The Council agreed that a letter should be sent reiterating our objections to the size of the lettering and reminding the parishioner that the wall must be removed by the 30th May otherwise the Council will have it removed.

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

**Tewin School** – Nothing to report.

**Tewin Memorial Hall** – Nothing to report.

**Tewin Website** – Nothing to report

#### **114. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2003 at 7.45pm in Tewin Memorial Hall.

#### **115. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 11pm.

## APPENDIX 1 – HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS

Fault line: 01438 737321 Enquiries: 01438 737320

District Team: 01992 526900 Assistant District Manager: Val Weaver

Assistant Engineer: Ian Bishop

PC John Ivens, Rural Community Liaison Officer: 07736 225373

No	Priority Ref:	WORK IDENTIFIED AS NEEDING TO BE DONE AND REPORTED TO THE PARISH ENGINEER.	DATE WORK SCHEDULED FOR
<b>1</b>	<b>1b</b>	<b>Bridge in Churchfield Road – White lining &amp; chevrons to be repainted &amp; reflective discs/paint on bridge</b>	<b>Nothing to report</b>
5		Damaged and Missing Kerbing to be replaced outside the Memorial Hall.	Awaiting
<b>6</b>	<b>1a</b>	<b>School Lane Drainage -</b>	<b>EHDC applying for extra money for repair wk</b>
8		The Hazels Guard Rails - to be repainted by HCC.	Only if in a very bad state
20		Bramfield Road going to Bulls Green – flooding caused by a blocked drain needs cleaning	
25		Depression opposite 4 Hertford Road Reported to 24hr Fault line on 1.10.01 Ref 1004796/ 13/5 Ref 1020829	Chased on 13/5, 20/6
27		Lower Green/Hertford Road – Pooling of water	Chased 29/4
30		The point of Lower Green near the Post Office is being eroded as cars turn – Advice on stopping erosion	
35		Back of finger signpost missing on Lower Green. 12/12 Ref 1042844	
36		Flooding of water in Upper Green Road opposite entrance to Godfries Close. 12/12 Ref 1042842	
37		Flooding around the Tewin Memorial Hall – School Lane backing up and pushing manhole covers up on path from Car Park to Hall – 12/11Ref 1038106 12/12 chased	
38		Flooding in Orchard Road outside No 45. 12/11 Ref 1038104 12/12 chased	
40		Pothole in Orchard Rd opposite bus shelter at the end of Desborough Drive. Ref 1042831	
41		Gully outside Rose & Crown blocked, surrounding tarmac breaking up.	

## **Appendix 2 – Correspondence Received in February 2003**

1. Rural Traffic and Transport Conference Summary Comments By 21 Mar 2003
2. Letter re Residual Tree Debris to Highway Verge
2. Herts Highways East Herts District Team Active Works List Jan 2003
2. CPRE Planning Update
2. CPRE Rural Matters
2. CDA Invitation to opening of new premises – 5.3.03 @11am
2. HALC Parish information
2. Weekly List of Planning Applications
2. P35 Inland Revenue Form
2. Launch of Hertfordshire's ~Policing Plan 2003/04 on Fri 21<sup>st</sup> March @10.30am
2. Councillors Behaving Badly – An information Leaflet
3. CPRE Letter re Warrengate Plots
3. Weekly List of Planning Applications
3. Parishes for Rural Environment Protection meeting 25.2.03 at 8pm in The Community Centre Braughing.
3. CPRE Briefing Enforcement: Quality Control in planning
3. Area Forum West & Local Area Partnership
3. Letter re 36 Firs Walk (not in circ)
3. East Herts Rural Inclusion Forum Mon 3.3.03 Bennington Village Hall 7pm
4. Consultation on Hedgerows
5. Letter of complaint re Dog Fouling in Grass Warren
5. Countryside Voice
5. Election Notices and Timetable
5. Letter from Countryside Management Service re PEAPS
5. EHDC Agenda and Minutes
5. Licensing Bill
6. Electoral Registration – A review of the process