

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th October 2003 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs K.Lawson, M.Howe, S.Stott and C.Pool.

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), Cllr T.Robertson, Cllr M.McMullen, Mr A.Hill and 1 member of the public

PARISHIONER'S COMMENTS

One parishioner raised the following topics, which were noted by the Clerk.

- a. What is the current situation regarding the appeal on the categorisation of Tewin as a Category 1 village. This is due for consideration by EHDC on either 24th February 2004 or 23rd March 2004.
- b. The Wildlife Trust would be available to do a free woodland management survey of any land the Parish Council has a concern over.
- c. Concerns over the status of the encroachment on CL148, that it is an offence to drive on Common land and even a tyre mark is a criminal act and also whether the Parish Council are aware that Councillors may be personally liable for not arranging access over common land/village green?

56. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED from Cllr K.St Pier and S.Glew.

57. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held 1st September 2003 were amended, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

58. CO-OPTION

Mr Adrian Hill of Tewin Hill Farm expressed an interest in becoming a Councillor.

Cllr S.Stott proposed and M.Howe seconded the proposal to co-opt Mr A. Hill onto the Council. The motion was unanimously approved. Mr A.Hill completed and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Register of Interests.

There remains one vacancy in the Tewin North.

59. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Tewin Charities – The Clerk was asked to ascertain what the status of the charity was following the proposal from the trustees to close and whether the Parish Council need to appoint a trustee in replacement for the late Mr P.Briggs whose term of office expired in August.

Aircraft Noise - A response from Luton airport regarding excessive aircraft noise detailed that when the wind is from an easterly direction the aircraft land from the east and consequently fly over Tewin. There are more planes landing in the summer as it is the peak holiday season.

Common Land – ‘Our Common Land’ book is currently in circulation.

60. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment – In accordance with the Council’s Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £518.17 were approved.

61. PLANNING

Received:

3/03/1574/FP/3MB – 11 Grass Warren, Tewin – Single Storey Rear Extension – TPC No Obj

3/03/1651/FP/3EH – 5 East Riding, Tewin - Double Storey Side & Front Extensions – TPC No Obj

3/03/0801/FP/3TH – Crown Farm Barns – Amended Parking Layout – TPC NO Obj

EHDC Decisions:

3/03/0802/LC - Crown Farm, Back Lane, Tewin – TPC NO Obj – EHDC Granted

3/03/0803/PA – Crown Farm, Back Lane, Tewin – EHDC Granted

3/03/1288/FP/3LAH – 27 Firs Walk, Tewin Wood – 2 storey front extension & 1st floor side extension & extended driveway – TPC No obj – EHDC Granted

3/03/1321/FP/3EH – 54 Orchard Road. Tewin Wood – Front Extension to form double garage – TPC No Obj – EHDC Refused

3/03/1320/FP/3EH – 54 Orchard Road, Tewin Wood – Detached Double Garage – TPC Obj – EHDC Refused

Meeting with Tewin Society: The Parish Council agreed that the Clerk should ascertain from HCC whether they would remove the two unsafe dead trees at Hollybushes, as they are potentially dangerous to road users.

Access Across Lower Green: The vendors of 27 Lower Green have been requested by HCC (the landowner) to pay for the easement over Lower Green in accordance with the Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000 Statutory Instrument 2002 No 1711 Vehicular Access Across Common and Other Land (England) Regulations 2002. HCC have informed the Clerk that they will be writing to inform the Parish Council shortly.

Enforcement Issues:

Excessive Signage at Rose & Crown: Enforcement is awaiting a meeting with Greene King.

Caravan sited at Plume of Feathers: Enforcement is awaiting a meeting with Greene King.

Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000: Cllr K.Lawson and Cllr K St Pier are in the process of comparing the Countryside Agency's draft maps with our own.

62. MAJOR INCIDENT PLAN

The documents are currently in circulation. Forms will be completed with the names of local contacts.

63. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

School Lane drainage works are expected to start in October or November.

Highways cannot independently arrange for cameras to be put down the drains, as this will be done as part of the School Lane project.

The hedges outside 14~44 Upper Green Road have been trimmed by Riversmead. Cllr T.Robertson agreed to find out if there has been a change in policy with regard to the bungalows in Grass Warren being designated old peoples bungalows.

The village shop sign has been put up as part of the replacement signage at the south west corner of Lower Green.

Motorcycle Nuisance: There have been many incidents reported to the Clerk of motorcycles using footpaths and fields in a dangerous way. PC John Ivens, Rural Community Liaison

Officer informed us of Operation Arable and advised anyone seeing people riding motorcycles on land, other than roads to contact Police on 01992 533000. The Parish Council agreed to write to the Chief Constable explaining the problem and Cllr A. Hill agreed to visit the mobile police station.

64. PAVILION & UPPER GREEN

Tennis Club Meeting on 22.9.03 – Cllrs S.Stott, C.Pool and K.St Pier were broadly supportive of the tennis club ideas and the Council await plans to be submitted.

Cricket Club – The debris has now been cleared and the Clerk is awaiting confirmation of the liaison officer. The Clerk has asked the Cricket Club to make the main doors waterproof and will also request them to put the sight screens away.

The Clerk was asked to contact an HCC drainage expert regarding the flooding near the pavilion and also to ascertain whether the pavilion required a disabled toilet.

65. CORRESPONDENCE Received in September 2003

Tewin Allotments Association – The Council noted the incident of a fire.

66. RISK MANAGEMENT Following Meeting on 6.5.03

Works Done: The Parish Council agreed the quote to repair the pavilion window.

67. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

Nothing to report.

68. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin School – Mr J. Burton reported that the Parents Association AGM is on the 23rd October.

Tewin Memorial Hall – Nothing to report.

Tewin Website – Nothing to report

69. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 3rd November 2003 at 7.45pm in Tewin Memorial Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 10.10pm.

APPENDIX 1 – HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS September 2003

Fault line: 01438 737321 District Team: 01992 526900 Assistant District Manager: Val Weaver
Assistant Engineer: Ian Bishop

No	Priority Ref:	WORK IDENTIFIED AS NEEDING TO BE DONE AND REPORTED TO THE PARISH ENGINEER.	DATE WORK SCHEDULED FOR
1	1b	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	IB will contact Steve Minton
2	1a	Flooding - School Lane Drainage and reset kerbing nearer edge of the road.	EHDC expect work to begin in Nov.
3	1c	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	Camera cannot be arranged, as it is part of the overall School Lane job.
4	1d	Flooding of water in Upper Green Road opposite entrance to Godfries Close. 12/12 Ref 1042842	
5	1e	Flooding on Bramfield Road going to Bulls Green – Gulleys need clearing Ref: 1058851/1058853 2/3/03	
6	1f	Flooding in Orchard Road outside No 45. 12/11 Ref 1038104 12/12 chased	
7	1g	Flooding at Lower Green/Hertford Road where point is being eroded.	
		Flooding outside 32 Upper Green Road where pavement sinking	
8		Reinstatement of Verge - The point of Lower Green near the Post Office is being eroded as cars turn – Advice on stopping erosion	IB will investigate granite edging
9		Reinstatement of Verge in Orchard Road after road works Ref 1058848 2.3.03	IB will chase Gas Board
10		Sign - Back of finger Burnham Green signpost missing on Lower Green. 12/12 Ref 1042844 7/5/03 Ref: 1068407	Done
11		Sign - Tewin Sign at B1000 and Hertford Road junction broken Ref 1058844 2.3.03 Ref: 1068409 7.5.03	Done
		Sign – Village Shop sign	Done
12		Swallow Hole - opposite 4 Hertford Road Reported to 24hr Fault line on 1.10.01 Ref 1004796/ 13/5 Ref 1020829	IB will chase Water Board
13		Potholes – at the bottom of Tewin Hill Ref: 1068406 7.5.03	
14		Bridge Repair at Tewin Hill – past farm – railings on bridge over stream are missing fencing Ref: 1068404 7.5.03	
16		Kerbing - Two Loose Kerbstones on drive opposite Tewin Stores	IB will put on works list
17		Kerbing - Damaged and Missing Kerbing to be replaced outside	

		the Memorial Hall.	
18		Ownership – Clarify ownership of paths in front of houses on Upper Green Road	Riversmead are responsible for hedges
19		Ownership – Clarify ownership of access road off Godfries Close	IB will contact Land Registry
20		Gulleys – Ian Bishop stated that a Gulley survey would be undertaken to assist cleaning crews	

Appendix 2 - Correspondence Received in September 2003

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- 28. Parish Council Major Incident Emergency Plan
- 29. Open Spaces Society Newsletter
- 29. Our Common Land
- 29. Land Adjacent to Hollybushes Report
- 29. Clerks & Councils Direct
- 30. Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000 Draft map information for Parish Councils
- 31. IsitFair Campaign
- 31. Frontline Services Review Stakeholder Workshop 30th Sept 5.30pm
(sue.richardson@eastherts.gov.uk)
- 31. AGRE Newsletter
- 31. CDA For Herts Newsletter
- 31. Tewin Allotments notification of a fire
- 31. Car Parking Fees in Hertford
- 31. First issue of Rural News
- 31. HALC Open Evening on Tues 14th October from 6.30pm at Roe Hill Hall, Briars Lane, Hatfield.
- 31. Letter from Mr P.Holden re FP 32
- 32. Herts Local Transport Plan 2006/7 – 2010/11 Consultation Document Sept 2003
- 33. Funding for Capital Projects
- 33. Newsletter from SLCC
- 33. Temporary closing of Hertford Road, Welwyn
- 33. Wildwood Newsletter
- 33. Vital Villages Update
- 33. HALC Newsletter

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