

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th September 2005 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm

PRESENT: Cllrs K. Lawson (Chairman), K. St Pier, A.Hill, M.Howe, D. Howson, S. Stott and C. Pool.

In attendance: Mrs C. McFarlane (Clerk), East Herts District Councillor M. McMullen and five members of the public.

PARISHIONERS' COMMENTS

Parishioners expressed their concerns about the increasing numbers of rabbits and the damage that is being caused in gardens and other land. Safety concerns were also voiced.

The Parish Council referred to the existing Defra guidance and suggested that further information should be sought on how the problem could be tackled.

49. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED from Cllr B.Evans and apologies for lateness from Cllr M.McMullen.

50. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held 4th July and 8th August 2005 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

51. MATTERS ARISING – Nothing to Report

52. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £5089.54 was approved by the Council.

Allocation of Funds for Seat in Bus Shelter – A seat, formerly used in the bus shelter, has come to light in the village and Cllr S.Stott proposed that it should be put back into the bus shelter and the situation monitored, Cllr C.Pool seconded this proposal and the motion was agreed with 6 votes for and 1 abstention. The Council agreed that a limit of £75 should be paid for this to be done and that the seat must be risk assessed. The Council also asked that the Police should be notified.

53. PLANNING

Planning Applications Received

3/05/1589/FP/JS – AKAROA, Tewin Hill, Tewin – Single Storey Extension – TPC No Obj

3/05/1563/FP/EH – 52 Orchard Road, Tewin – Single Storey Side Extension & Alterations – TPC No Obj

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Planning Decisions Received from EHDC

3/05/1281/FP – 33 Orchard Road, Tewin – Single Storey Rear Extension. Proposed Study to replace existing conservatory – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/1196/FP – 26 Harwood Close, Tewin – Reconstruction of Garage with Pitched Roof & Workshop Extension – TPC Obj – EHDC Refused

3/05/1229/FP – 3 Bishops Road, Tewin – Carport to side – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/1024/FP – Tewin Orchard, Tewin – Replace the existing wildlife observation hide with a new wildlife observation hide and store room – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/1112/FP – Mimram Cottage, Poplars Green, Nr Tewin – New drive and parking area – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/1131/FP/EH – 18 West Riding, Tewin – New Porch, alterations, new front boundary wall – TPC No Obj – EHDC granted

3/05/0890/FP – 7 Bishops Road, Tewin – Rear bedroom & bathroom extension over existing living area plus addition of bedrooms in loft space – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/0955/FP – 8 East Riding, Tewin – First Floor Extension over existing bungalow – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

3/05/1017/FP/LAH – 4 The Walled Garden, Tewin Water – Rear Conservatory – TPC No Obj – EHDC Granted

Appeal Decisions

APP/J1915/A/04/1162353 – 14 Bishops Road, Tewin – Detached Garage and Store – TPC Obj – EHDC Refused – Appeal Dismissed

APP/J1915/A/04/1158821 – 126 Bramfield Road, Bulls Green – Single Storey Link Extension – TPC Obj – EHDC Refused – Appeal Dismissed

Enforcement Issues

Nothing to report

54. PLAYGROUND

Nothing further to report at present

55. YOUTH CLUB

Cllr B Evans has spoken to many people and ascertained that there is support and funding available as well as several Youth Clubs in surrounding villages. He hopes to report on ideas at the next meeting.

56. HIGHWAYS and TRANSPORT

Works Outstanding – Flooding at School Lane and Margery Lane continues to occur and this has been taken up with Highways Department and Herts County Councillor Bryan Hammond.

The sign on the B1000 has been moved further away from the side of the road thus improving visibility.

The Clerk was asked to report the water leak outside the Rose & Crown again and the broken meter cover.

57. NEW POWERS FOR PARISH COUNCILS

This document has not been completely circulated yet and will be put on the next agenda.

58. POLICING MATTERS

Cllr D.Howson attended a Policing & Crime Reduction meeting, which explained how there would be more meetings in the future

59. PARISH PLAN

Sub-committee – The sub-committee met on 5th September and agreed an agenda for the Open Meeting, arranged jointly with Tewin Society, on 26th September. The Council also agreed that a one page flyer advertising the meeting be completed and sent out with the East Herts LINK.

60. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

The Council agreed to sign the new PPP agreement.

61. CORRESPONDENCE

East of England Draft Plan Examination deferment to 1.11.05

Concerns over lack of bus shelter seat – See Section 52 Finance above

Friends of Tewin Christmas Tree Request – The Parish Council agreed to allow a Christmas Tree to be put up on Lower Green providing the a PAT test on the lights is obtained by a qualified electrician to ensure compliance for insurance reasons.

Friends of Tewin Donation – They have funds available to donate towards a worthy cause and have asked the Parish Council if they have any suggestions.

Friends of Tewin Request for Traditional Finger Post Signs on Lower Green – The Parish Council agreed to find out how much they are.

Licensing Hours – Both the Plume of Feathers and the Rose & Crown have asked for small extensions to their opening hours. The Clerk was asked to report to EHDC that there was not a sign up at the Rose & Crown advertising the changes.

62. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin School – Nothing to report. The Clerk was asked to confirm whether John Burton is still the Parish Council representative.

Tewin Charities Trustees – Nothing to report.

Tewin Memorial Hall – Nothing to Report.

Tewin Website – Some adjustments need to be made to the Conservation Area details and they would like the Parish Council's useful numbers displayed more prominently.

63. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 3rd October 2005 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 10.15pm.

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APPENDIX 1 – HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS Sept 2005

Fault line: 01438 737321

District Team: 01992 526900

Assistant District Manager: Raj Goutham

Assistant Engineer: Ian Bishop (last meeting 15.4.05)

Three Valleys Water 0845-7823333 (fault/leak reporting)

Ref:	WORK IDENTIFIED AS NEEDING TO BE DONE AND REPORTED TO THE PARISH ENGINEER.	ACTION
1	Flooding at junction of Margery Lane with Churchfield Rd as Drainage ditch along Margery Lane needs clearing	Done but still flooding. Letter sent to Cllr B.Hammond
2	Collapse of the side of the road along Upper Green	Done
3	Trip Hazards - Grass Warren outside old peoples bungalows	Done
4	Bollards – replacements needed in Grass Warren/Cannons Meadow	Awaiting approval of a disabled bay before these works can be done although there are objections.
5	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	IB Noted
6	Bridge Repair at Tewin Hill – past farm – railings on bridge over stream and missing fencing	Ordered
7	Kerbing – Two loose kerb stones on drive opposite Tewin Stores	IB noted
8	Trees – Dead trees on Churchfield Rd	IB Noted
9	Ownership – Clarify ownership of access road off Godfries Close	
10	Signs Heavy Vehicles signs on Hertford Rd Tewin Sign at Hollybushes – broken	Ordered
11	Line Markings - Many need renewing as fading	IB Noted
12	Flooding – Along Bramfield Road (gully needs emptying) Ref 1175810	Done
13	Flooding – Out of the drain outside the Rose & Crown & void opening up under the tarmac beside the drain	Reported 8/05
14	Flooding - School Lane – This has been reported and referred to the design team. Cllr B.Hammond has also been written to.	Reported 8/05

Please be aware that Highways have a very limited budget and have to prioritise all work.