

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd October 2011 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs K. Lawson (Chairman), K. St Pier (Vice Chairman), P.Fulford, A.Hill, D.Howson, D. Lloyd and J.Sheridan
In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk).

56. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr. B.Evans, East Herts District Councillors L.Haysey and M.McMullen.

57. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held 5th September 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

58. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

59. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Following a parishioner's comments at the last meeting the Parish Council reviewed the various points raised as follows. They noted:

- The Segway signs in Orchard Road had previously been notified to East Herts Council, Planning Enforcement and were deemed acceptable.
- The red brick wall and gates at 53 Orchard Road are under an Enforcement action which is currently under appeal by the property owner.
- The A Board on the village green in front of the Plume of Feathers pub has been previously discussed by the Parish Council.
- The new white fence at 54/56 Upper Green is part of the planning permission.
- The Parish Council has written to the Rose & Crown and the banner has been removed as has the banner outside Tewin Memorial Hall.
- The Parish Council agreed to obtain the map of Common Land CL149, adjacent to FP30 at Queen Hoo Lane, from the Records Office.
- The removal of a hedge, subject to a planning condition under planning permission 3/99/0745/FP for 7 Bishops Road and agreed to monitor the situation.

60. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £1063.42 from the Current Account were approved by the Parish Council.

St Peters Church – The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £135 towards the cost of producing the Parish News.

Upper Green Rental – A cheque for £28.75 has been received from the Wayleaves Department of UK Power Network (previously EDF) for rental of land on Upper Green under which an electricity cable runs. This payment is on a 5 yearly basis and the Parish Council has requested a copy of the agreement and a location map.

Precept – The second instalment of the precept, amounting to £12,400, has been received.

61. PLANNING

Planning Decisions

3/11/1068/FP – 12 Desborough Drive, Tewin – Loft Conversion and the addition of two roof dormers – TPC No objection – EHC Granted.

3/11/1037/FP – 2 Hertford Road, Tewin – Erection of Two Residential Dwellings, new access drive and Double Garage for Existing House – TPC No Objection – EHC Refused.

Planning Applications received

3/11/1536/PT - New BT Telecomm Cabinet – Opposite 2 Grass Warren, Tewin - TPC No objection.

3/11/1588/FP - 2 West Riding, Tewin - Construction of a single storey, timber framed garden outbuilding for use in association with the main dwelling – TPC No Objection.

Enforcement Appeal

E/10//0347/B – 53 Orchard Road, Tewin – The unauthorised erection of a front boundary wall, gates and piers with lanterns and a front canopy extension. The Parish Council agreed to forward its original letter of objection to the Inspector, and to advise parishioners that objected to the planning application that to carry their objections forward, they would also need to write directly to the Inspector.

Enforcement Issues – None.

East Herts Council SLAA Partnership Meeting – The Clerk attended the first meeting on 19th September 2011. A report was circulated to the Parish Council.

62. HIGHWAYS

Salt Bins – Nothing to report.

B1000/Churchfield Rd Junction Visibility – A complaint has been received about the visibility at this junction due to overgrown tree and scrub growth. The site has been inspected by Gordon Grose, Herts County Council and forwarded to Eralp Yucelt, Herts Highways.

Traffic Mirror on Upper Green Road – The Parish Council noted this request for a traffic mirror to be mounted on a tree and agreed to forward the relevant guidance notes and ask that tree friendly fixings be used.

63. PAVILION, PLAYGROUND & UPPER GREEN

Tennis Club and Valuation Office – Mr D.Room, Chairman of Tewin Tennis Club, advised that he has written confirmation of 100% small business rate relief for a year. He also has formal acknowledgment of their appeal against the assessment from the Valuation Office and that it may take months before they respond further.

Pavilion CIC and Valuation Office – The CIC has formal acknowledgment of their appeal against the assessment from the Valuation Office.

Tewin Pavilion Water Inspection – This was completed by Cllr D.Howson on 6th September and it was satisfactory. The Parish Council agreed to meet with the CIC and the Cleaner to work out a routine for the monthly test as the hot water tank needs switching on and hot water run through the entire system.

Fire Risk Assessment – A meeting was held on 12th September 2011 and the fire risk assessment has been completed. The Clerk has submitted it to the Fire Protection Officer and some further work has been suggested.

Pavilion Works – The Parish Council agreed to accept the quote for removal of and making safe the heaters in the Changing rooms, moving the light in the Store Cupboard and installing a door light switch for the hot water tank cupboard.

Football Club – The Parish Council noted the Cricket Club's letter with regard to restoration of the football pitch and have already responded confirming that the Football Club will reinstate the pitch after the season, will accommodate any Tewin parishioners that wish to play, are aware that the Cricket Club have priority at the beginning and end of the season when the cricket and football matches may overlap.

Playground - Nothing to report on inspections. Cllr A.Hill advised that the works on the playground fence will take place shortly.

Annual Playground Inspection – This has been completed and only two issues were raised: the gate and fence works which are due to take place shortly and the overhanging trees which Cllr K St Pier has dealt with already.

Dog Waste Bins – This has been installed at the junction of FP37 with Hertford Road by East Herts Council. A request has been received from East Herts Council for a further bin in Grass Warren. The Parish Council agreed to ask EHC whether these are emptied specially, or whether they are done at the same time as the litter bins.

Upper Green Road Verge Surfacing – The Parish Council accepted Mr Loughrey's offer of levelling this verge and Mr Loughrey has also added some crushed granite surfacing which he will compact in due course. The Parish Council agreed to monitor the situation.

Pond Clearance – These works will take place in due course.

64. LOWER GREEN

New Litter Bin – This has been received and will be installed in due course.

Rose & Crown – The Parish Council has written to the landlord and the banner has been removed.

Grass Warren – Riversmead have removed the leaning tree and the stump has been chemically treated.

65. RISK ASSESSMENT

Annual Risk Assessment – The posts have been reinstated around the green in front of the Plume of Feathers.

Quote for Removal of Lower Branches on Trees on Upper Green, Godfries Close and Harwood Close
– The Parish Council requested a breakdown of the quote.

66. CORRESPONDENCE

Urgent Care Centre at Hertford County Hospital was closed on Friday 30 September,

Rural Parish Conference on 15th September 2011 – Cllr D.Lloyd attended and her report will be circulated.

Request for Marquee on Upper Green – The Parish Council could not allow this as it was for a private party.

Consultation on proposals to change the type of special educational needs provided for at 15 special schools in Hertfordshire - The Parish Council agreed to put this in the Parish News.

Superfast Broadband – The Parish Council agreed to look into this.

Enquiry about permitted uses of the field above Godfries Close – The Parish Council replied with details of permitted uses for up to 28 days per year.

67. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin Charities Trustees – Nothing to report.

Transport – Nothing to report.

Tewin Website – Nothing to report.

Tewin Memorial Hall – Nothing to report.

Policing – Nothing to report.

Parish Paths Partnership – Nothing to report.

68. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Monday 7th November 2011 in the Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

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

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS September 2011

Fault line: 01438 737321

District Team: 01992 526900

Assistant District Manager: Eralp Yucelt

Area Engineer: Vicki Leggett

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

Ref:	PROBLEM.	DATE RAISED	COMMENTS
1	Surface Dressing of Main Road through Tewin	2009	
3	Salt Bin – Needs replacing and filling	28.4.2011	Chased 5.9.11 Chased 3.10.11
4	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road (nr B1000) – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	2009	
5	Line Markings – Missing on School Lane	2009	

