## **TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2011 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

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

In attendance: Mrs C.McFarlane (Clerk), East Herts District Councillors L. Haysey and M. McMullen (from 8.45pm).

**69. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllr. P. Fulford, East Herts District Councillor M.McMullen.

**70. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** held 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

## 71. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

## 72. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**Upper Green Rental For Electricity Cable** – A copy of the agreement has been requested but not received yet.

## 73. FINANCE

**Accounts for Payment** - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £9.023.49 from the Current Account was approved by the Parish Council.

**Royal British Legion** – The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £50 towards the cost of the Remembrance wreath and Cllr Keith St Pier agreed to lay the wreath on behalf of the Council.

**Football Club Deposits** – The Parish Council agreed to write to previous Football Clubs who have used Upper Green and advise them that their deposits are still retained by the Parish Council

**Pavilion Refurbishment Donation From Tewin Parish Council** – The Parish Council noted that as per Section 93 of the 7.12.09 minutes & the 4.4.2011 minutes the transfer of £5,000 minus any payments that have already been made from the current account for the actual refurbishment will be transferred from the Current Account to the Pavilion account.

**Donation for the Christmas tree** – The Parish Council unanimously agreed to make a donation of £150 towards the purchasing of the Christmas tree for Lower Green.

**Estimate to the Year End -** In accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Council the Parish Council reviewed and agreed the Estimate for the Financial Year Ending 31.3.2012.

**Precept** –The Council will review the precept options at the next meeting.

## 74. PLANNING

## **Planning Decisions**

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 – EHC Granted.

#### Planning Applications received

3/11/1668/LC The Old Hay Barn, Back Lane, Tewin - Demolition of garage - TPC No Comment

3/11/1720/FP The Old Hay Barn, Back Lane, Tewin - Demolition of existing garage, construction of extension to form return wing in line with existing living room - TPC No Comment

3/11/1571/FP 9, Desborough Drive, Tewin Wood - First floor rear extension – TPC No Comment

3/11/1758/FP Archers Green Cottages, Archers Green Lane, Tewin - Proposed amalgamation of 2 cottages into single dwelling and replacement of rear two storey flat roof extension – TPC No Comment

#### Planning Appeal

**Planning Ref: 3/11/0612/FP / Appeal Ref APP/J1915/A/11/2154747** – 24 Hertford Road, Tewin Appeal allowed and planning permission is granted for the erection of a detached two bedroom dwelling with two pay car port and siting of associated septic tank

**Tree Preservation Order P/TP0 551**–35 Burnham Green Road, Tewin – To protect Oak and Hornbeam trees on the grounds of public and visual amenity.

**Enforcement Issues** – None.

<u>EHAPTC Comments on Planning Applications and SLAA process</u> – The Parish Council noted the correspondence between EHAPTC and East Herts Council regarding the involvement of Parish Council Clerks, rather than elected Councillors, in the SLAA meetings

#### 75. HIGHWAYS

**Salt Bins** – Nothing to report.

**B1000/Churchfield Rd Junction Visibility** – Herts Highways advised that the Area Engineer will carry out an assessment this week and provide an update next week.

**Highways Locality Budgets** – Cllr Bryan Hammond has advised that he will be allocated a small Highways budget to use at his discretion following consultation with Parish Councils, Highways Officer and communities. A list has been put together ranking various works and it includes the resurfacing of Orchard Road which has been ranked second. The Parish Council agreed to write to Cllr B.Hammond in support of the proposal.

## 76. PAVILION, PLAYGROUND & UPPER GREEN

**Tennis Club and Valuation Office** – Mr D.Room, Chairman of Tewin Tennis Club, advised that there has been no further contact from the Valuation Office Agency about their appeal.

**Pavilion CIC and Valuation Office** – The CIC confirmed that there has been no further contact from the Valuation Office about their appeal.

**Tewin Pavilion Water Inspection** – Cllr D.Howson completed the inspection and continues to work on the procedure.

**Fire Risk Assessment** – Further works on the assessment have still to be completed.

**Pavilion Works** – The removal of 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 have all been completed.

**Playground** – Nothing to report on the inspections. Cllr A.Hill has completed the works on the playground and advised that the fencing was incorrectly installed thus causing the movement. The Council has written to the Playground Supplier (SMP) who has advised that it is outside the warranty period. Cllr K St Pier agreed to inspect the other fencing posts.

**Playground Netting** – Cllr D.Howson agreed to research harder wearing nets and Cllr L.Haysey suggested applying for a grant towards the cost.

**Dog Waste Bins** – East Herts Council advised that dog waste bins are emptied twice weekly in the summer and once a week in the winter by their contractors.

**Pond Clearance** – These works have been completed and the Parish Council agreed a press release which will be published in the Mercury.

## 77. LOWER GREEN

**Rose & Crown** – As the Parish Council has not received a response to their letter the Parish Council agreed to write to Greene King.

**Bus Shelter** – Friends of Tewin requested permission to put a framed map of the parish in the bus shelter opposite the Rose & Crown. The Parish Council agreed.

**Christmas tree** - The Parish Council agreed to be responsible for this event so that it will be covered by the Parish Council's public liability insurance. The Friends of Tewin (FOT) have volunteered to help the Parish Council organise the event. Cllrs D. Lloyd and J. Sheridan will be Parish Council representatives in the Friends of Tewin. Cllr A .Hill will be installing the Christmas Tree and the PAT test will then be

arranged. Cllr J. Sheridan agreed to undertake the daily Christmas Tree inspection. The Carols on Lower Green will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 6pm.

#### 78. RISK ASSESSMENT

**Annual Risk Assessment** – New tiles have been installed on the well cover, the new litter bin installed outside the shop and a replacement liner put in the litter bin on Lower Green.

**Tree Works** – Following a meeting between the Clerk, Cllr K St Pier and Stuart Kirkham a detailed list of the tree works had been circulated to Parish Councillors mainly comprising of lifting lower branches so as not to impede the mowers. The Parish Council unanimously agreed to accept the quotation.

**Tree Works** – The Parish Council had no objection to a tree located on the verge opposite Fairholm stables, on Archers Green Lane being removed as a third of it has fallen down and the remainder is weakened and rotten.

#### 79. CORRESPONDENCE

New Code of Conduct – East Herts Council has advised that a new Code of Conduct is being worked on. Highways Locality Budget Meeting – Councillor are invited to a meeting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup>

November 2011 at 7pm at Wallfields to discuss the implementation of the Highways Locality

Budget Scheme in the District.

**Parish Councillors Briefing Session** on East Herts Local Development Framework on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm at Wallfields. Cllr K. Lawson and J. Sheridan agreed to attend.

**Planning Policy Team Additional Correspondence** – The Parish Council agreed that there was no need for additional correspondence, the Clerk was sufficient.

## 80. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

**Tewin Charities Trustees** – Nothing to report.

**Transport** – Nothing to report.

**Tewin Website** – Next meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

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

**Policing** – Nothing to report.

**Parish Paths Partnership** – Nothing to report.

#### 81. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011 in the Memorial Hall at 7.45pm. As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.32pm.

# **HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS September 2011**

Fault line: 0300 123 40 47

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	H/W Locality
			Budget ??
3	Salt Bin – Needs replacing and filling	28.4.2011	Chased 5.9.11
			Chased 3.10.11
			Chased 7.11.11
4	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road (nr B1000) – White lining &	2009	
	chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge		
5	Line Markings – Missing on School Lane	2009	