

TEWIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd December 2012 in Tewin Pavilion at 7.45pm.

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

In attendance: Mrs C. McFarlane (Clerk).

82. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr D.Howson, Cllr N. Moore, East Herts District Councillor L. Haysey and East Herts District Councillor M. McMullen.

NO PARISHIONERS COMMENTS

83. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS held 12th November 2012 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

84. NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were received.

85. NO MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

86. FINANCE

Accounts for Payment - In accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations the schedule of payments amounting to £2265.16 from the Current Account were approved by the Parish Council.

Donation for the Christmas tree – A donation of £200 was received from Friends of Tewin towards the Christmas tree.

Internal Audit – This was completed on 22nd November 2012 by Cllr D. Lloyd and B. Evans and everything was found to be satisfactory.

Precept – Following the Parish Council's unanimous resolution at the last meeting to increase the precept by £700 to £27,000 for the next financial year, the precept request form was signed.

Tewin Magazine – The Parish Council unanimously agreed to fund the first edition of the Tewin Magazine up to £216 so that it could be distributed to every house in the parish. The Parish Council requested feedback on the take up of the new Tewin Magazine and Cllr K Lawson agreed to write an article for the first page.

87. PLANNING

Planning Decisions

3/12/1579/FP Orchard House, 16 Hertford Road, Tewin – Single storey rear garden room extension - *TPC No comment – EHC Granted.*

Planning Applications received

3/12/1991/FP – 19 Orchard Road, Tewin – Two storey extension and detached garage – *TPC No Comment.*

3/12/1958/FP - 35 Upper Green Road, Tewin – Replacement single storey porch, entrance and family room to the front. The main roof and flank to be extended to mirror the existing right side. Roof to be raised to 1.5 storey to provide additional first floor accommodation – *TPC No Comment.*

3/12/1719/FP – 122 Bramfield Road, Datchworth – First floor side extension, new part main pitch roof to flat roof dormer, new front canopy, part front extension – *TPC No Comment.*

3/12/1572/FP – 2 Bishops Road, Tewin – Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new 6 bedroom dwelling house (amendments) – *TPC No Comment.*

3/12/1904/FP – 3 Purcell Close, Tewin – Two storey side extensions, single storey rear extensions and front open porch extension – *TPC No Comment.*

Certificates of Lawfulness - None

Appeals Submitted

3/12/0276/FP – Westley Wood Farmhouse, Hertford Road, Tewin - Change of use of 3 en suite bedrooms for bed and breakfast accommodation and removal of condition 9 of 3/99/1693/FP to allow use of the existing garage for ancillary residential purposes (retrospective).

Seven Acres Development

May Pond Green Footpath – Taylor Wimpey are in the process of providing a quote for the footpath across May Pond Green. TPC has received written permission from Herts County Council to allow the hardening up, in some form or another, of the path along the edge of May Pond Green to link the new development frontage with the tennis court car park area.

Grasscrete – Taylor Wimpey have forwarded contact details for the supplier of grasscrete.

Wall – TPC has received written permission from Herts County Council to allow Taylor Wimpey access across May Pond Green in order to remove materials and construct the boundary wall providing it is fully reinstated to the Parish Council's full satisfaction.

Grass Warren Development

Riversmead have been in discussion with East Herts Council about opening up the grassed area from the Grass Warren side, reinstating the road and allowing vehicular access but not creating a through road. They are investigating this proposal and are awaiting costings. Herts Highways have indicated that the road will not be adopted. Re-submission is expected in early 2013.

Enforcement Issues -

53 Orchard Road - The compliance period ends on 23rd January 2013.

Upper Green – East Herts Council Planning Enforcement Officer has visited the fields and barns to the rear of Upper Green and advised that there is nothing to report.

Welwyn Hatfield Emerging Core Strategy Consultation - This is open from 12th November 2012 to 18th January 2013. The Parish Council decided not to comment.

DCLG Extending Permitted Development Rights for Homeowners and Businesses Consultation – The Parish Council decided not to comment.

88. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS

LTP3 Inter-urban Route Study Consultation – The Parish Council decided not to comment.

LTP3 Active Travel Strategy Consultation – The deadline for comments is 18th January 2013. Cllr K Lawson agreed review it.

Hertfordshire Highways – A meeting with the new contact from Highways has been arranged for 7th December 2012 and a list of works for compiled.

Resurfacing of Orchard Road – Cllr B. Hammond advised that the beginning section of Orchard Road was not included in recent works; however it can be put on the list for next year although he will be leaving in May.

Tewin Stores Sign – Highways have quoted £150/£200 for a Village Shop sign to be attached to the existing post at the junction of Churchfield Road and the B1000. The Council agreed to discuss the subject at the Highways meeting on the 7th December 2012.

388 Bus Timetable – The pocket timetables will be available shortly.

Water Leak Outside 49 Upper Green - Affinity Water is investigating the source of the leak.

89. UPPER GREEN, PAVILION AND PLAYGROUND

Tewin Tennis Club Correspondence with Valuation Office – David Room has advised that the Valuation Office will be ready to discuss the appeal on the tennis court rates during the first quarter of 2013.

He also advised that the Tennis Club are researching court floodlights and will attend a Parish Council meeting to outline their proposal in due course.

Pavilion Fridge – The contractor will complete the transfer of the kitchen fridge onto the unmetered electricity supply on Wednesday 5th December.

Pavilion Showers – The contractor is sourcing a replacement key for the loft hatch.

Hedgerow Planting on Upper Green– This has been completed.

Upper Green Repairs – The Parish Council agreed to ask Tewin Cricket Club to repair Upper Green where it has been worn away whilst using the practice nets.

Upper Green Lorry Damage – A lorry got stuck on Upper Green and some damage was incurred. Quotes for repairs are in the process of being obtained and the delivery company has agreed to cover the costs.

Upper Green Lorry Damage – A delivery lorry caused extensive damage to the verge at the entrance to the Upper Green car park and a quote of £110 for repairs has been obtained which the company is prepared to pay. This will need to be revised as further damage by the same delivery company has been done today. The Parish Council agreed to write to the delivery company supporting parishioner comments.

Plume of Feather Green – The Parish Council agreed to obtain a quote replace a fallen post.

Margery Lane – The Parish Council agreed to accept the quote from Kirkham Contracting to dig out the drainage slips in Margery Wood. The Parish Council agreed to ask Kirkham Contracting to complete this on an annual basis.

Playground Inspection – There was nothing to report on the weekly inspections.

90. LOWER GREEN

Allotment Gate - Works are due to be completed shortly

Christmas tree on Lower Green – The tree is up and the PAT test completed satisfactorily by Mill Green Electrical. Cllr J. Sheridan has agreed to complete the daily tree inspection ensuring it is stable, secure and that the lights are intact & working. The Carols on Lower Green will be on Monday 20th December 2012.

91. MEETING DATES

The Parish Council agreed the list of meeting dates for the next year.

92. CORRESPONDENCE

CPRE Training Course on Planning on 20th November – Cllr D.Lloyd attended. Slides have been circulated.

EHAPTC Meeting on 21st November at Castle Hall. Cllr K. Lawson attended and notes of the meeting will be circulated in due course.

93. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Tewin Charities Trustees – Nothing to report.

Transport – Nothing to report.

Tewin Website – Next meeting is on Wednesday 5th December 2012.

Tewin Memorial Hall – Nothing to report.

Policing – The next meeting is in January.

Parish Paths - Nothing to report.

94. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at 7.45pm on Monday 4th February 2013 at Tewin Memorial Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.05pm.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS November 2012

Fault line: 0300 123 40 47

Affinity Water 0845-7823333 (fault/leak reporting)

Ref:	PROBLEM.	DATE RAISED	COMMENTS
1	Surface Dressing of Main Road through Tewin from Upper Green to 31 Orchard Road	2009	H/W Locality Budget - Bryan Hammond
2	Bridge Reflectors in Churchfield Road (nr B1000) – White lining & chevrons to be repainted & reflective discs/paint on bridge	2009	
3	Line Markings – Missing on School Lane	2009	
4	Potholes – Outside Rose & Crown	2012	
5	Ditch – alongside Upper Green Road	2012	To be completed before Oct 2012