

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parks & Open Spaces held on 17 October 2017
at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway.**

Present: Cllrs. R. Loveridge (in the Chair)
Mrs E. Orpen (in the Chair)
Mrs E. Martin
K. Dando
P. Cottrell

In attendance: Mr. J. Thomas - Patchway Community
Sports Association

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Messenger and Butler and Mr. J. Franklin (Community Sports Association)

2. Declarations of Interest

The Chairman asked members to declare any interests in matters to be discussed.

3. Minutes of Parks & Open Spaces Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 September were agreed and signed by the Chairman, proposed Cllr. Martin, seconded Cllr. Dando.
There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

4. Update of Sports Development in Scott Park

It was noted that the planning officer had informed the Council that a decision would be taken by the end of the week on the planning application made for the MUGA and cricket nets.

The Committee agreed to postpone further discussion of the new pavilion until planning permission for the sports facilities had been obtained.

5. Groundsman's Report

The report was circulated, discussed and is attached to these Minutes.

Councillors were pleased to hear that raised planters had been constructed along the edge of the pitch at the entrance to Scott Park to prevent vehicles accessing the turfed areas. The barrier at the back of the Club had been repaired and new metal bollards installed as a security measure.

6. Items for inclusion in next year's budget

Councillors asked the Clerk to obtain costings for a solar light for the footpath at the Longney Place end of the park, another 100m section of perimeter fence. It was noted that the cost of a concrete table-tennis table had already been obtained at £2,300 (supply and installation).

It was agreed to apply for s106 funding for a new basketball court for Scott Park as this facility would be lost through the construction of the MUGA. It was necessary to make an expression of interest for the S106 officer of SGC by 20 November.

Councillors asked whether the Christmas Lights could be operated by solar power and the Clerk would make enquiries from SGC about this.

8. Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 21 November at 6.30 p.m. The first part of the meeting would be attended by representatives of the two allotment associations to discuss their financial requests for the next financial year.