

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Planning & Transport Committee held on
28 September 2010 at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway.**

Present: Cllrs. L. Gray (in the Chair)
E. Gordon J.P
P. Cottrell
A. Alsop

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Woodley.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chairman stated that Councillors must declare their interest under the Model Code of Conduct in any matter to be discussed, either at the beginning of the meeting or when it is raised during the meeting.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 27 July were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) It was agreed to hold a Civic Reception to include presentation of the Alderman Scott Awards in the week commencing Monday 3 January 2011 at the Community Centre if the hall was available.
- b) The Committee were very pleased that most of Coniston Road had been resurfaced over the summer but noted that from Waterside Drive to Scott Park still needed to be done. The Clerk would make enquiries about this section.
- c) It had been agreed to hold an exploratory meeting with Chelford Grove shopkeepers and residents concerning repairs to the forecourt, which would cost £5,000. It was noted that the Town Council had £2,000 carried forward in its

budget for improvements to Chelford Grove.

Cllr. Alsop said he had spoken to the shopkeepers; some were owners and some were tenants. He would like to meet the Street Care Officer who prepared the quotation before proceeding with a meeting with shopkeepers and the Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting.

- d) The Committee was pleased to note from the Core Strategy that SGC gave great importance to play areas. This would tie in with the Council's decision to adopt a play policy.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications for consideration this month.

The Committee noted the following applications granted by South Gloucestershire Council:

Texaco Garage Gloucester Road	Erection of portacabin for waiting area and canteen
1 Brookfield Road	Single storey detached annexe
CS2 Ltd. Park Avenue, Aztec West	Roller shutter doors to two elevations
Edge Church Park Avenue, Aztec West	Change of use from office to church, day nursery, offices & storage
New Police Station 90 Gloucester Road	Two storey police station & custody facility (Outline)
Communications Mast Highwood Road	Replacement of existing mast

The Committee noted the following application refused by South Gloucestershire Council:

31 Cavendish Road	Bungalow
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6. SGC PROPOSALS TO BUILD ON SMALL AREAS OF OPEN LAND

The Committee noted a proposal from SGC Property Services to sell off a number of small plots of land on the corners of roads, currently grassed or landscaped, around the Coniston Ward.

After discussion, it was agreed unanimously that the Committee were totally opposed to this policy which would completely change the open aspect of the area to the detriment of the pleasant environment enjoyed by residents and to inform SGC accordingly.

7. OTHER MATTERS

Highways

The Clerk was asked to approach SGC concerning the following matters:

- The section of Durban Road near the junction of Bradley where the road had sunk due to heavy equipment used in the construction of the new houses.
- The completion of the cycleway - when will the work be carried out in Bradley Road and in the path from Coniston Road to Britannia Road?

Severn Estuary Forum

It was agreed to ask interested Councillors to inform the Clerk if they would like to attend this event on Friday 8 October in Bristol. The cost of £40 for two representatives would be covered by the Council.

Small Works

It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain alternative prices for small works to remove the loading bay in Rodway Road and to close the entrance to Shellmor Avenue for discussion with SGC.

Bus Shelters

Cllr. Gordon pointed out that the bus shelter in Blakeney Road opposite the old doctor's surgery was covered in graffiti and the shelter in Durban Road at the Blakeney Road junction needed replacing. The Clerk would check and report to the next meeting.

Fence at the rear of the Baptist Church

The Committee noted that the groundstaff had erected screening to raise the height of the fence at the rear of the church in response to concerns of residents at the temporary building in the church car park.

Patchway Station

It was agreed to request the promotion of the station in Patchway People, including links on how to get cheap tickets.

The Committee was very pleased to hear that Network Rail had collected a bench from the Town Council to be erected on the platform at Patchway Station with a plaque in memory of Geoff Woodley. A ceremony was to be arranged by the rail company with Mrs Woodley in due course to which Councillors would be invited.

Hempton Lane

Cllr. Gordon asked the Clerk to find out when work to create parking restrictions in Hempton Lane was to commence.

Dumped rubbish in Scott Park

The Clerk was asked to investigate rubbish dumped behind the Club's refuse container in Scott Park.

Weed killing in gutters

The Clerk was asked to discuss with SGC their programme of weed killing in gutters, particularly in Stoke Lodge, and to report back.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 26 October at 7.30 p.m. This would be the budget meeting.