

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning & Transport Committee held on 28 January 2014 at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway

Present: Cllr. S. Scott (in the Chair)
M. Grotzke
C. Mills
E. Gordon
P. Cottrell

In attendance: Mrs J. Close, Southern Brooks Community Partnership

1. Community Plan for Patchway

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Close to the meeting representing SBCP which is the lead organisation for Priority Neighbourhood work in Patchway.

Julie explained that the steering group had just drawn up new priorities for the next two years for priority neighbourhood work and it would be helpful for this work to understand the Town Council's priorities for Patchway. She offered any help which SBCP could give to the Council in drawing up a plan.

The Committee noted that a working group had been appointed consisting of Cllrs. Walker, Mills, Gordon, Grotzke and Scott, but the group had not yet met. It was also noted that Councillors had held a meeting with Marian Jones to consolidate the achievements from the earlier Planning for Real consultation and that Dick Whittington from the West of England Rural Network had spoken at the September meeting of the Committee on the help which he could give the Council in creating a community plan and consulting with the public.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Close for her contribution and it was agreed that the working group should arrange a meeting and decide the way forward.

2. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

3. Declarations 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.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 22 October were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, proposed Cllr. Walker, seconded Cllr. Gordon.

It was noted that the November meeting was not quorate.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

a) Coniston Road traffic meeting

The Committee noted that the next meeting on Coniston Road traffic would be held at the office on Wednesday 12 February at 10 a.m. and Councillors were encouraged to attend.

The Clerk would put together a list of items to raise, as for the previous meeting. It was pointed out that one of the speed humps near The Parade had a hole in it.

b) Patchway Strategic Sports Vision

Councillors noted the ongoing work Patchway Community Sports Association on a strategic sports vision and that the Association would be working on this vision with a view to its incorporation into the Patchway Community Plan. It was noted that part of this vision was to have a 3G sports facility in Scott Park – this was an all-weather pitch – and an sports facility in Patchway. It was also noted that the trigger point for releasing the first instalment of s.106 money for sports facilities from Charlton Hayes would be reached (750th house occupied) within the next year and it was agreed to arrange to discuss the division of this money with SGC officers.

c) Callicroft Farm Track

The Clerk reported that Elaine Tayler had been visiting long-time residents of Patchway and collecting evidence of their use of this lane which would support the Town Council's application for it to be adopted as a Public Right of Way. The Committee agreed to make the application to SGC and thanked Elaine for all her hard work in this connection.

d) Charlton Hayes phases 2 & 3

The Committee noted that a meeting had been held on 23 January with the Project Officer for Charlton Hayes at SGC. Notes of this meeting, which had covered the doctors' surgery, design briefs, signage, Hayes Lane pavement, Hayes Wood, number of houses built, s.106 for sports facilities, bus routes, a surface crossing of the A38 at Callicroft Road junction and the Patchway Town Centre group, were circulated.

6. Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood consultation

The Clerk reported on her attendance at a briefing on one of the development sites, the triangle of land between the M5 and Cribbs Causeway with entrance at Clifton Rugby ground. This was for 1,000 houses and the developers (Skanska) expect to start work on site in 2015.

Another site, owned by Persimmon, on the other side of Cribbs Causeway, between the road and the southern edge of the runway, known as Fishpool Hill, was for 1,100 houses. A meeting had been held earlier in the day with SGC, Patchway, Almondsbury and Filton Councils to explain the s.106 provisions for this site as it was due to be discussed by Development Control (West) next week.

A consultation event was being arranged by SGC for the whole site at Coniston Community Centre on Thursday 6 February from 3-7 p.m. and Councillors were urged to attend this.

7. Planning applications

The Committee made no objection to the following planning application:

47 Rodway Road	Alterations to roof for rear dormer windows for loft conversion
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This application was later withdrawn

25 Bourton Close	Alterations to roof for front dormer windows for loft conversion
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The Committee noted the following applications agreed by SGC:

24 Brighton Road	Single storey rear and side extension to form additional living accommodation
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Royal & Sun Alliance PLC Aztec West	Freestanding sign board and mounted sign (illuminated) on elevation
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Atkins Aztec West	Smoking shelter
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Cllr. Cottrell passed further information to the Clerk that the alleged breaches of planning control at Nos. 54 and 31 Cavendish Road had been registered for investigation by the planning enforcement team. This was noted by the Committee.

8. Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 25 February at 7.30pm.