

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 9 July 2013 at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway.

Present: Councillors Mrs E. Orpen (in the Chair))
P. Cottrell) Callicroft
J. Moore) Ward
M. Greensword)
Mrs E. Martin) Coniston Ward

81/13. CHAIRMAN OF MEETING

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, it was agreed that Cllr. Orpen should take the Chair.

82/13. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr. A. Sollars, Chairman, Patchway Royal British Legion Branch

- 1) 2014 is the Centenary of the First World War and the Legion would like to see Patchway Town Council involved in this, maybe by planting poppy seeds. The Chair said the Council would be pleased to support the 2014 remembrance and would meet with the Branch to discuss this.
- 2) More and more cars were parking on pavements, some with four wheels on the pavement. Disability buggies cannot pass especially in Worthing Road.
- 3) Residents are allowing their shrubs to grow over the back lanes, reducing the width.

The Chair said both these matters would be raised with the police and SGC.

Mr. C. Griffiths, President, Aretians Rugby Football Club

The Club thanked those Councillors who had supported their recent fun day. The Club was promoting team work, starting from children of 2 years old – working with their families. They now have 125 children between 2-6 years attending all year round. The Club would like to set up a sub-committee with the Council to work on fundraising. The Councillors agreed that they would be happy to work with Aretians, pointing out that they had made a grant to the Club in the past. It was also suggested that Mr. Griffiths joined Patchway Community Sports Association and discussed his plans with that group.

Mrs P. Weaver, Rodway Road

Asked when the middle section of Coniston Road was to be resurfaced and what the progress was on Highwood Road being reopened. She also commented that parking in Rodway Road was very difficult. The Chair responded that Coniston Road was on the list for further resurfacing, Highwood Road would be re-assessed in April 2014 and a survey was in progress on parking in Rodway Road.

Ms R. Strong, Stoke Lane

Suggested a lorry watch on Coniston Road should be carried out by SGC. It was noted that SGC have recently been informed that HGVs were still ignoring the weight restriction. Old consultation signs had not been removed and the Clerk would pass this information to the Street Inspector.

83/13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Mills (illness), Grotzke (holiday), Alsop (holiday), Tiley (working), Walker, Scott, Hopkinson & Pomfret (attending Area Forum meeting), Gordon (childcare) and Thorne (another meeting).

It was noted that under Standing Orders, Councillors must state a reason for their absence from Council meetings and that this must be recorded as well as the names of any Councillors not sending apologies. It was also noted that under Standing Orders Councillors must make their own apologies by contacting the office.

84/13. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman stated that any member having a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed should declare it during the meeting as specified in the Code of Conduct required by the Localism Act 2011 Section 27 and should leave the room while the matter was discussed.

85/13. MINUTES

Cllr. Hopkinson had asked for the following to be added to the minutes, and this was agreed at the end of Minute 67: "Cllr. Hopkinson asked that his dissatisfaction at being prevented from asking a further question should be recorded." Cllr. Hopkinson's email to the Clerk was read to the meeting and discussed. An appropriate response would be sent explaining that the Police Inspector had spent some time in the foyer speaking to a resident before leaving the building.

The amended Minutes of the meeting held on 11 June, which had been circulated, were approved as a correct record, proposed Cllr. Moore, seconded Cllr. Cottrell and signed by the Chairman.

86/13. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Patchway Fire Station: 76/13

The Council was pleased to note that Cllr. Terry Walker had agreed to attend the September meeting to update the Council on this matter. The Clerk was also writing to Eric Pickles outlining the Council's concern at cuts to the service.

87/13. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

a) Planning & Transport Committee:

Cllr. Moore presented the minutes of the committee meeting held on 25 June, which had been circulated and which were endorsed by the Council. It was noted that Dick Whittington had been invited to meet the committee in September to advise on drawing up a Community Plan and that Rob Stirzaker would be attending the next meeting of the Parks Committee to discuss the Strategic Sports Vision.

The Council supported the proposal that a Town Council workshop on the Cribbs Patchway development should be held in the autumn, attended by SG officers. Councillors were concerned at the complaints from Merlin tenants who had no drives of their parking difficulties since the parking restrictions had been introduced in Hempton Lane. It was agreed to arrange a meeting urgently with Merlin to discuss this matter.

b) Parks & Open Spaces Committee:

Cllr. Cottrell presented the minutes of the committee meeting held on 27 June, which had been circulated and which were endorsed by the Council. It was agreed to change the date of the July meeting from 25th to 18th to avoid a clash with the Burial Committee.

c) Finance Committee:

Cllr. Orpen presented the minutes of the meeting held on 2 July, which had been circulated and which were endorsed by the Council.

The Council noted that Mike Winter would leave the staff at the end of August and wished him well with his university course. It was also noted that a new Deputy Clerk had been appointed and would overlap with Mike for three weeks.

88/13. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Orpen reported on the consultation which had taken place on the application for a healthcare facility at 300 Park Avenue, adjacent to Hempton Lane, and reported that this application had now been granted. It had been agreed that the offices and staff car park would be developed nearest to the residents and that the Hempton Lane hedge would be thickened. The hours of use and safety features of the healthcare facility had been agreed.

The DC West Committee had recently visited Charlton Hayes to see the large variety of homes currently being built.

89/13. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Information on Neighbourhood Policing Awards was noted.

- b) The Council agreed to a speaker for the September meeting: Eleanor Fairbrother on Patchway Dementia Action Alliance
- c) It was noted that Jack Lopresti MP had moved his constituency office to Willowbrook Centre, Bradley Stoke.
- d) It was noted that SGC would be carrying out a consultation on a local council tax reduction scheme from April 2014
- e) An invitation to the SG Chair's Civic Service on Sunday 14 July at Staple Hill was noted. Cllr Orpen agreed to represent the Council.
- f) It was noted that Patchway Community College was carrying out a consultation on plans to become an Academy. The Council was pleased to support this proposal.
- g) It was noted that the A38 Cycle Safety Schemes 2013 consultation was open until 29 July and it was agreed to refer this to the Planning & Transport Committee.
- h) The Council noted that Almondsbury Parish Council had rejected the Council's request that Burial Committee representation should be equal between the two Councils. It was agreed that members of the Committee would take up this matter at the next meeting.
- i) The Council was pleased to note that SGC was introducing a Parking Enforcement Car, concentrating on the areas around schools.
- j) The Council noted information on The Wave consultation and agreed to invite a representative to the next Planning & Transport Committee meeting.

90/13. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council made no objections to the following planning applications:

- 90 Gloucester Road Variation of condition on roof top plant
- Costcutter, 7 Coniston Road Illuminated fascia signs & window graphics

91/13. FINANCE

The Council noted the following income:

Blakeney Road Allotments Association	Contribution to allotment groundworks	3,000.00
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Various public	Photocopying	4.00
Rolls Royce FC	Payment of arrears (4/12)	50.00
Circus Ginnett	Hire of The Tumps	195.00
Bradley Stoke United FC	Pitch hire (Jan–May)	462.00
Stoke Lane AFC	Hire of football pitch (Feb 2013)	65.00
Play Days Pre-school	Hire of Patchway Common (Apr–May)	680.00
Almondsbury Youth FC	Hire of football pitches (Feb–May 2013)	396.00
Patchway, Filton & The Stokes Volunteer Centre	Copier paper recharge	10.84
Patchway Town FC	Hire of football pitches (Jan–May 2013)	1,300.00
Patchway Sports & Social Club	Ground rent (Jul–Sep) and car park works (2/8)	3,459.13
Bailey Sports FC	Hire of football pitches (Jan–May 2012)	252.00
Stoke Lane AFC	Deposit for football pitch hire	132.00
	Total	£10,005.97

To note the following direct debits:

Allstar Business Solutions Ltd	Diesel for vans	163.79
British Gas (Commercial) Services Ltd	Boiler maintenance contract payments	177.79
Total Gas & Power	Gas at the Casson Centre (Apr–Jun)	108.00
	Total	£ 449.58

To note payments made at other meetings:

M Winter	Replacement starter motor (FP03 ULF)	515.92
Land Registry	Restriction registration for Scott Park	80.00
British Gas	Electricity at Callicroft House	355.54
	Electricity at Scott Park Pavilion	185.20
	Electricity at Casson Centre	176.03
	Total	£1,312.69

The Council approved the following expenditure:

1	APRE Surfacing Ltd	Skate park resurfacing	5,874.00
2	Bath & Northeast Somerset Council	Pension contributions (Jun)	3,241.92
3	British Gas	Electricity at Patchway Common Pavilion	564.00
4	Building Supplies (Patchway)	Top soil and paint	118.90

	Ltd		
5	Classic Landscapes Ltd	Removal of tree branch at Patchway Common	264.00
6	The Consortium	Stationery	190.39
7		Cleaning materials	129.48
8	David Ogilvie Engineering Ltd	Picnic bench and seats	1,982.40
9	Bill Davies	Internal audit	1,900.00
10	Mr R Hainey	Supply and fitting of updated town boundary signs	365.00
11	HiQ Tyreservices	Puncture repairs	193.08
12	HMC Patchway	Replacement tyre	42.60
13	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE (Jun)	4,036.52
14	IRIS Business Software Ltd	Renewal of payroll software license	369.60
15	LexisNexis	Local Council Administration 9th ed.	80.45
16	Local World Ltd	Job advertisement	574.80
17	Mr C Milton	Painting of Casson Centre door	82.50
18		Repair of Scott Park notice board	177.50
19	Mr Fixit Services	Weed clearance at Patchway Community Centre	50.00
20	Murray Hire Centres Ltd	Safety boots	34.79
21	Orange	Mobile bill (Jun)	28.50
22	Patchway Autoparts	Two-stroke oil and maintenance supplies	47.45
23	Patchway Sports & Social Club	Utility recharges	1,453.08
24	Mr B Roberts	Miscellaneous repairs at Coniston Community Centre	518.52
25	Scoops Maintenance	Repair of emergency lighting at Patchway Community Centre	129.00
26	South Gloucestershire Council	Lease rent for Coniston Community Centre	250.00
27		Resurfacing of car park in Scott Park	28,483.20
28	TH White Ltd	Hydraulic oil and mower repairs	1,069.45
29	Triangle Lift Services Ltd	Lift servicing at Coniston Community Centre	341.46
30	TT Services Ltd	Repair of toilets at Patchway Community Centre	151.50
31	Uphill & Son Ltd	Tractor fuel fault	299.40
32	Virgin Media Payments Ltd	Broadband at Callicroft House	36.00
33	Viridor Waste Management Ltd	Bin hire and waste disposal at Patchway Common	231.54
34	Patchway Garden Society	Best Kept Allotment and Patchway in Bloom competition prizes	260.00
35	Mrs L Hamid	Clerk's expenses:	
36		Refreshments for Twinning visit	6.06
37		Milk for meetings	0.99
38		Printing of Rodway Road plans	75.00
39		Parking permit	0.50

40	Coffee for meetings	6.32
41	Balloons for Tea Dance	13.02
42	Postage	53.00
43	PHAB Patchway Grant	300.00
44	Southern Brooks Community Partnership Grant: Core funding	20,500.00
45	Southern Brooks Community Partnership Grant: Youth work	27,400.00
46	Wednesday Luncheon Club Grant	600.00
47	Staff Salaries (June)	13,333.91
	Total	£115,859.83

92/13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Council agreed to the August recess and noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 10 September at 7.30pm with speakers from the Fire Service and Dementia Alliance.