

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 10 October 2017 at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway.

Present: Councillors Mrs E. Orpen (in the Chair))
P. Cottrell)
R. Loveridge) Callicroft
K. Dando) Ward
Ms R. Messenger)
S. Scott)

Mrs E. Martin)
E. Gordon) Coniston
T. Bathe-Taylor) Ward
Mrs M. Bathe-Taylor)
K. Walker)

107/17. PRESENTATION ON NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL IN CHARLTON HAYES

The Head Teacher Designate, Neil Lankaster, showed slides of the plans for the new school and reported that Charlton Wood Primary Academy would open in September 2019 with 60 Reception places. The school would have 420 pupils when full and would build up to this size year by year. They were currently consulting to see whether there would be enough demand for a Year 1 class to make this viable in the first year. Mr. Lankaster is working on a travel plan for the school but the following are already in planning: staggering the start and finish time by running a Breakfast Club from 7.30-8.30 and an After-School Club up to 5.30 or 6 p.m. There will be 3 access points for the school to minimise traffic congestion before and after school time.

A steering group is being set up and Mr. Lankaster would like a Town Council representative on this, together with parents and representatives from other schools. This group will only meet every three months. There will be a Board of Trustees for the Academy, rather than Governors.

Mr. Lankaster said he would be pleased to come and speak to the Council again in future to keep Members up to date with progress.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Lankaster for his presentation and he then left the meeting.

108/17. PRESENTATION BY YOUTH WORKER

The new youth worker with Southern Brooks Community Partnerships, Ria Pandya, reported on the success of the international youth camp held on August at Woodhouse Down camp site, which had been attended by young people from Clermont and Gaunting.

The Youth Centre is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and the outreach team is working in Scott Park on Thursdays. At present they have 12 peer mentors helping younger children, 25 attend the junior session and 40 young people are being engaged in Scott Park, playing basketball. The youth workers also engage young people on drugs and alcohol harm reduction and they are planning a graffiti project in Scott Park to replace the art work on the skateboard park, once funding has been obtained. Activities are publicised on Facebook.

The Chairman asked Ria to write an article in Patchway People on what is on offer for young people in Patchway and thanked her for her presentation. Ria then left the meeting.

109/17. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. J. Butler (working), Ms P. Coleman (working), Cllrs. Greensword and Grotzke are long-term sick.

The Council was very pleased to hear that Cllr. Greensword hoped to be able to return to Council meetings in January.

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.

110/17. 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.

111/17. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12 September 2017, which had been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, proposed by Cllr. E. Bathe-Taylor seconded by Cllr. Martin.

112/17. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Almondsbury Joint Burial Committee

It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee would be on 16 November and that the response from Almondsbury Parish Council on equal representation was awaited.

- b) Windermere Road
The Clerk had contacted SGC with the concerns raised at the last meeting and was awaiting a response. Cllr. Bathe-Taylor stated that it might not be practical to carry out Speedwatch patrols in this road if the visibility was impaired by parking.
- c) Olive Tree Court
It was noted that a new layout for the square opposite the flats had been submitted to SGC by Bovis. This information would be passed on to residents.

113/17. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- a) Parks & Open Spaces Committee
Cllr. Orpen presented the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September, copies which had been circulated and were endorsed by the Council. The Clerk reported that the office was checking the progress of the planning application with the Planning Officer on a daily basis.
- b) Planning & Transport Committee
Cllr. Gordon presented the minutes of the meeting held on 26 September, copies of which had been circulated and were endorsed by the Council
- c) Finance Committee
Cllr. Orpen presented the minutes of the meetings held on 3 October, copies of which had been circulated and were endorsed by the Council. The Clerk would remind local organisations which usually applied for a grant from the Council that applications should be received by the end of October.
- d) Personnel Committee
The minutes of the meeting held on 9 October were taken in confidential session. After discussion, the recommendations of the committee on groundstaff salaries were agreed by 7-1 with 2 abstentions. Cllr. Dando asked Councillors to bear in mind value for money for residents.

114/17. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION

The Council supported the recommendation of the Planning & Transport Committee contained in the minutes of 26 September, which was that there should be two SG Councillors for Patchway Wards (Coniston and Callicroft) and two for a new Ward of Charlton & Cribbs. In order to achieve this, it might be necessary to redraw some of the boundaries to achieve an improved division of voter numbers and the Council would take advice on this.

This resolution was agreed by 9 votes to 2.

115/71. AUDIT REPORT ON COUNCIL'S ACCOUNTS

The Council noted the favourable report of the external auditor on the Council' accounts for the year ended 31.3.17 copies of which had been circulated.

116/17. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Dando reported on discussions on encouraging taxi drives to use electrical vehicles.

Cllr. Walker reported that the new system moving from Committees to Cabinet decisions was still settling down.

117/17. REPORTS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The Clerk reported on a meeting of Faith Leaders the previous day at which a useful discussion had taken place on joint working to support any residents facing hate incidents. Future meetings were planned.

118/17. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Information about the reorganisation of Bovis which had resulted in a delay in progressing schemes in Charlton Hayes was noted.
- b) Councillors were pleased to hear new from Mark Greensword's family that he was looking for accessible accommodation and hoped to return to Council work in January.
- c) It was noted that the speaker for the November meeting would be consultants for a commercial development at the junction of the A38 and Hayes Way.
- d) It was noted that Healthwatch South Gloucestershire was looking for volunteers. This information would be circulated electronically.
- e) It was noted that Four Towns Community Transport was looking for volunteers. This information would be circulated electronically.
- f) The Annual Report of the Four Towns Play Scheme had been received for information.
- g) The Council set the date for a meeting about the 2018 commemoration of the end of WW1. This would be held on 2 November at 7.30 at the Sports & Social Club.

The Council agreed the following expenditure:

To Whom Paid	Particulars of Payment	Sub Total	Total Cheque
HMRC	PAYE		4832.51
BANES	Pension		3853.62
Virgin Media	Broadband		39.60
Viridor	Skip Emptying Sept		581.04
Orange	Mobile Phones		28.73
The Consortium	Stationary, Cleaning materials, Ink		347.68
Select Security Solutions	CCTV Annual Maintenance		420.00
Tincknell Fuels	Gas Oil 800 Litres		1259.58
Murray Hire	Hire of Solid Tine Aerator		55.20
Patchway People	September Council News		180.00
Prolific	Copying/Printing Sept		52.53
Building Supplies Patchway	48 Sleepers and Associated materials for Scott Park		1920.44
Carr Power Products	Nylon Line for strimmer		32.72
Bristol Locksmiths	Padlocks Scott Park	19.78	
	Padlocks The Tumps	83.33	103.11
South Gloucestershire Council	Ground Rent Coniston Community Centre		250.00
UKI Safety Matters	3 x Pairs Safety Boots		95.56
Patchway Auto Parts	AA Batteries	5.99	
	Drill Bit	1.66	7.65
Ross Office Supplies	Coloured Paper		30.00
Blakeney Road Allotment Association	Annual Contribution to Electricity Bill		51.22
Lucy Hamid	Box of 2 Pin Lamp Bulbs	47.40	

	Vacuum Cleaner Repairs	14.95	
	Hacksaw Blade for Repairs to Benches	4.37	
	Gifts for Twinning Visit	89.45	
	Postage	71.99	223.16
Salaries	Salaries		15,757.44
		TOTAL	30,126.79

121/17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Council noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 14 November at 7.30 pm. at which there would be a presentation by consultants on the planning application for commercial development at the junction of the A38 and Hayes Way. The meeting would commence with Public Question Time.