

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 16 January 2018 at Callicroft House, Rodway Road, Patchway.

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

Mrs E. Martin)
M. Grotzke)
K. Walker) Coniston
T. Bathe-Taylor) Ward
Mrs M. Bathe-Taylor)
J. Butler)

1/18. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chairman opened the meeting by wishing everyone a very happy new year.

There were two groups of residents present:

Windermere Road

Mrs Janice Andrews and her neighbour had raised the speeding problem in Windermere Road in November. They were pleased that SGC had installed a VAS sign to record speed data and asked if this could be moved to record the area by the roundabout where there was more speeding. The Clerk would pass on these comments to the highway engineer.

Olive Tree House

Mr. Brian Jocelyn expressed the concern of residents of Olive Tree House that a new nursing home and four houses were to be built adjacent to their flats and their fear that this would impinge on the residents' parking area. The Council agreed they would make comments on this issue in their response.

2/18. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Ms P. Coleman (working) and E. Gordon (working). Cllr. Greensword is long-term sick but his niece had sent a message that he hoped to be well enough to attend the February Council 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.

3/18. 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.

Cllr. Orpen stated that as Secretary of Patchway Community Association, she declared her interest in Item 5: Vision for Patchway Town Centre, and was willing to leave the room during discussion of this item. The Council agreed that this would not be necessary.

4/18. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12 December 2017, which had been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, proposed by Cllr. Dando,00 seconded by Cllr. Mrs Bathe-Taylor.

5/18. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Vision for Patchway Town Centre: 140/17
Councillors were reminded that a special meeting would be held on Wednesday 24 January at 6.30 pm to brief Members.

- b) Sports Development meeting: 139b/17
It was noted that SGC had asked the Town Council to suggest a few dates for a daytime meeting. It was agreed to respond that Town Council members would make themselves available on any date which was convenient to Sport England, English Cricket Board, Gloucestershire FA and SGC. The Clerk would contact the Community Sports Association in relation to the meeting date.

6/18. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- a) Finance Committee
Cllr. Orpen presented the minutes of the meetings held on 9 January, copies of which had been circulated and were endorsed by the Council. It was noted that the recommendations of the Committee on the Budget and Precept for 2018-19 would be discussed under item 8 on the agenda.

7/18. JOINT SPATIAL PLAN

As the closing date for comments was 10 January, the Clerk had sent preliminary comments emphasising the problems caused to the Patchway area by new housing developments on the existing highways and requesting action to create new highway infrastructure.

In addition, the Council agreed to express concern at the poor air quality caused by traffic, both on the roads and motorway. Reference would also be made to the effect of gridlocked traffic on the bus timetable, which was severely delayed, creating a disincentive to residents using public transport. It was suggested that First Bus could provide tacking information on travel times, which would be factual evidence for SGC.

Efforts were being made to hold a meeting with the Metro Mayor and neighbouring councils on the effect of development on the highways in the whole of the North Fringe area, looking at proposals in the West of England Joint Transport Study.

8/18. TO AGREE THE BUDGET AND SET PRECEPT FOR 2018-19

The Chairman asked Councillors to look at the budget, prepared by the Finance Committee, page by page and ask any questions they had.

The budget was agreed unanimously by the Council at £680,454.

The Council then discussed the Precept for 2018-19 and agreed unanimously that this would be £600,730 with an additional Local Government Support Grant of £14,595. There would be no increase in the basic rate of council tax and £65,129 would be taken from balances to cover the budget agreed.

9/18. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Walker reported that meetings were being held on affordable housing.

Cllr. Scott asked whether the Health Scrutiny Committee had considered the current problems of Southmead Hospital, but there was no information on this topic.

10/18. REPORTS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The Clerk reported on a meeting with SGC Planning Officers & REACH on 5 January on progress with various projects on the Charlton Hayes development. Items discussed had been potential problems from parent parking in the roads surrounding the new primary school; implementation of landscaping plans for Charlton Square; timetable for opening Charlton Boulevard to buses once the construction of the McCarthy Stone housing and the primary school had been completed; creation of bus stops in Hayes Way.

11/18. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Boundary Commission report: Councillors were very disappointed at the result of the change in electoral arrangements, which had created a new Ward of Charlton and Cribbs, taking in part of Patchway. It was noted that these changes would take effect from 2019 and that the revised parish electoral arrangements for Patchway Town Council would be 9 Councillors for the Callicroft Ward and 6 Councillors for the Coniston Ward. It was agreed to send the plan to all Councillors.
- b) It was noted that the next meeting of the Filton & Patchway Community Engagement Forum would be held on 17 January at St. Chad's Hall at 7 pm.
- c) Cllr. Walker had received complaints from a resident in Hazeldene Road about disturbance to residents from a hostel in the road. It was agreed to raise this issue with the police the following evening when the Chief Inspector was speaking at a meeting in Patchway (see b) above).
- d) It was noted that the Charlton Hayes Steering Group would meet at the office on 23 January at 1 pm, attended by representatives of Bovis.
- e) Information on Quartet Grants for Patchway & Charlton Hayes for local groups were noted.
- f) The Council noted the receipt of Greetings Cards for New Year from both Twin Towns.
- g) A letter of thanks from Four Towns & Vale Link Community Transport for the grant received was noted.
- h) It was noted that SGC had published its Climate Change Strategy 2018-23. Comments were requested by 12 March and this was referred to the Planning & Transport Committee.

As the time was 9.30 p.m., the Council agreed to suspend Standing Orders to complete business.

12/18. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council made no objections to the following planning application:

Asda Stores	Removal of condition on planning permission to include additional shops on site
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Cherry Cottage
Hempton Lane

Demolition of conservatory. Single storey front extension and first floor rear extension

Grove Industrial Estate
Unit 6, Bristol Forklifts

Alteration to storage unit to raise roof by 1.8m

The Council asked Cllr. Dando to call in this application for a site visit so that consideration could be given to the residents' concerns raised during Public Question Time on the loss of amenities to the existing residents of Olive Tree Court.

Chessel Drive
Charlton Hayes

40 bed care home and 4 houses with parking and associated works: amendment to agreed scheme

13/18. FINANCE

The Council noted the following income received:

Patchway Sports & Social Club	Ground Rent	986.38
Patchway Town FC	Pitch Hire	1068.00
	Total Income	2054.38

The Council noted the following Direct Debits:

Total Gas and Power	Electricity Sports Pavilion	111.36
Total Gas and Power	Electricity Casson Centre	16.04
Total Gas and Power	Electricity Callicroft	67.56
All Star Fuel Card	Fuel for Van	41.75
British Gas	Boiler Servicing/ Maintenance	96.00
Inty Ltd.	Software/security	12.20
	Total Direct Debit	342.67

The Council agreed the following expenditure:

To Whom Paid	Particulars of Payment	Sub Total	Total Cheque
Advanced Plumbing	Plumbing Repairs Casson Kitchen		335.88
HMRC	PAYE		4951.43
BANES	Pension		3890.80
Virgin Media	Broadband		39.60

Viridor	Skip Emptying x 2		622.20
Orange	Mobile Phones		27.60
The Consortium	Envelopes, Cleaning materials,		195.71
Prolific	Copying/Printing October		53.09
Patchway Auto Parts	Halogen Bulbs	4.92	
	Screen wash & Anti-freeze	22.01	
	Key Cutting	7.08	34.99
Complete Business Solutions	Paper, window envelopes	100.67	
	Staples	1.07	101.74
Communicorp	Subscription to Local Council Update		75.00
Pitchworks	Corner Flags and Poles		134.88
Ross Office Supplies	White Card		11.98
FRS Countrywear Ltd	Protective Gloves for Groundstaff x10		105.48
NALC	Subscription to LCR		54.00
Lucy Hamid	Coffee for Meetings	9.98	
	Postage	69.35	79.33
Staff	December Salaries		15,743.44
		TOTAL	26,457.15

14/18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Council noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 13 February 2018 at 7.30 pm.

The Chairman stated that she would like to arrange a meal at the Basmati Restaurant for Councillors on a Thursday or Friday evening which was convenient. She would pay for the food for Councillors, but they would be asked to pay for their guests and for drinks.