

Our Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) regularly patrol Paddock Wood through the day and they will issue a penalty charge notice (pcn) to any vehicle that they find illegally parked.

Within national **parking** laws there are some dispensations allowing vehicles to park on yellow lines. Blue badge holders can park for up to 3 hours and any vehicle can stop on a yellow line to allow loading and unloading of goods or to pick up and drop off passengers.

If a CEO sees a vehicle stopped on the yellow line, before enforcement can take place they need to satisfy themselves that loading is not taking place. The accepted method of doing this is through a period of observation, which takes place over a period of minutes.

This observation is probably what has been seen and described taking place in the comments from the town council.

Issuing pcns too quickly without the observation period would go against normal **parking** enforcement practices and it would make the pcn open to challenge on appeal. In my experience it can lead to complaints from traders that it is having a detrimental effect on their business.

Local economies rely on customers and delivery drivers being able to quickly stop and pick up or drop off goods, though I do agree any **parking** for longer than a couple of seconds or minutes needs to be encouraged in to our car parks or in to the on street **parking** bays.

I hope that my explanation is helpful, please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance."

Sarah Hamilton

Conservative Borough Councillor for Paddock Wood East
T: 01892 ~~XXXXXX~~

(KCC Member for Tunbridge Wells Rural)

From: Claire Reilly <deputyclerk@paddockwoodtc.co.uk>

Sent: 22 July 2021 13:06

To: Parking Restrictions (TWBC)

Cc: Rodney Atkins (Cllr); Matthew Bailey (Cllr); Sarah Hamilton (Cllr); Bill Hills (Cllr); Bob Turk; Carol Williams; David Sargison; Derek Boyle; Don Kent; Henry Atkins; Meryl Flashman (Parish Chairman); Mike Ridger; Raymond Moon; Rodney Atkins; Sarah Hamilton

Subject: Pavement parking in Paddock Wood, Commercial Road

Good afternoon

The Town Council discussed this at a meeting recently and have asked us to write to TWBC to ask what the arrangements are for the parking wardens to visit.

They also noted that the wardens often wait for drivers to reappear from the shops rather than just ticketing them immediately and, whilst they understand the wardens reluctance to be confronted, they feel that this removes the deterrent effect of a ticket. Would it be possible to have some idea from you as to the frequency of visits and perhaps have a period of intense ticketing activity that would have more impact in encouraging people not to do this but instead use the 1 hour free parking in the two car parks.

Regards

Mrs Claire Reilly-Deputy Clerk

Paddock Wood Town Council PAYMENTS LIST

Voucher Code	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
224	Current/Business		Cleaning of memorial fencing	F & C Cleaning	S	298.33	59.67	358.00
225	Current/Business		Foal Hurst Wood	Elm Fencing	S	595.00	119.00	714.00
226	Current/Business		Grants to outside bodies	Paddock Wood Lights Up	E	500.00	0.00	500.00
227	Current/Business		Rents	J Eastal	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
228	Current/Business		St Andrews Field	Eon	E	56.39	0.00	56.39
229	Wages Imprest	bacs	Salaries	HMRC	E	2,028.00	0.00	2,028.00
230	Wages Imprest		Salaries	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	4,551.73	0.00	4,551.73
231	Wages Imprest		Salaries	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	206.70	0.00	206.70
232	Wages Imprest	bacs	Salaries	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	4,948.49	0.00	4,948.49
233	Wages Imprest	bacs	Salaries	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	471.41	0.00	471.41
234	Wages - Watering	bacs	Wages - Watering	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	377.20	0.00	377.20
235	Wages - Foal Hurst	bacs	Wages - Foal Hurst	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	630.00	0.00	630.00
236	Wages St Andrews	bacs	Wages St Andrews	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	89.81	0.00	89.81
237	Fuel	bacs	Wages St Andrews	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	97.03	0.00	97.03
238	Estates Misc	bacs	Fuel	Wex Retail Cards	S	124.57	24.91	149.48
239	St Andrews Hall	bacs	Estates Misc	Veolia Environmental	S	159.75	31.95	191.70
240	Electricity	bacs	St Andrews Hall	Southern Electric	S	145.47	7.27	152.74
241	Memorial Pitches and	bacs	Electricity	Southern Electric	S	36.35	1.81	38.16
242	Elm Tree Pitches &	bacs	Memorial Pitches and	Southern Electric	S	61.86	3.09	64.95
243	Elm Tree Pitches &	bacs	Elm Tree Pitches &	Southern Electric	S	86.39	4.31	90.70
244	St Andrews Hall	bacs	Elm Tree Pitches &	Southern Electric	S	14.43	0.72	15.15
245	Salary	bacs	St Andrews Hall	Southern Electric	S	107.79	5.38	113.17
246	Chairmans allowance	bacs	Salary	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	50.00	0.00	50.00
247	materials (Estates)	73	Chairmans allowance	Bloom & Wild	S	29.17	5.83	35.00
248	Security Company FHW	74	materials (Estates)	Homecraft	S	275.40	55.08	330.48
249	Security	75	Security Company FHW	Prestige Guarding	S	266.00	53.20	319.20
250	Security St Andrews	75	Security	Prestige Guarding	S	266.00	53.20	319.20
251	Podmore Building	75	Security St Andrews	Prestige Guarding	S	266.00	53.20	319.20
252	Telephones	76	Podmore Building	Viking Direct	S	78.85	15.77	94.62
253	Consultants Fees	77	Telephones	Symcar	S	108.10	21.62	129.72
254	Memorial Pitches and	78	Consultants Fees	Troy Planning	S	415.00	83.00	498.00
255	Mower Lease	79	Memorial Pitches and	Green Oak Services	S	295.00	59.00	354.00
256	Elm Tree Pitches &	80	Mower Lease	Kidmans	S	1,530.00	306.00	1,836.00
257	Green Lane Pavilion and	72	Elm Tree Pitches &	Capel Care	S	200.50	40.10	240.60
258	Play areas	82	Green Lane Pavilion and	Business Stream	Z	11.91	0.00	11.91
259		83	Play areas	G B Sport & Leisure	S	602.00	120.40	722.40

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260 Salaries	07/07/2021		Wages Imprest	bacs	salary deductions	HMRC	E	3,326.81	0.00	3,326.81
261 Fuel	06/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	fuel	Wex Retail Cards	S	49.15	9.83	58.98
262 Mower Lease	21/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Mower Lease	Paribas Lease	S	331.67	66.33	398.00
263 General expenses	12/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	General Expenses	Lloyds Bank	S	240.71	48.14	288.85
264 software/licenses	16/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Payroll ~Services	Sage Payroll	S	36.50	7.30	43.80
265 Telephones	21/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Mobile phone Account	O2	S	23.86	4.77	28.63
266 Estates Equipment	21/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Mobile phone Account	O2	S	23.86	4.77	28.63
267 Salaries	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Pension - fees	Aviva	E	30.50	0.00	30.50
268 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates - St Andrews	Castle Water	E	24.00	0.00	24.00
269 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates - Green Lane	Castle Water	E	16.00	0.00	16.00
270 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Badsell	Castle Water	E	30.00	0.00	30.00
271 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Cemetery	Castle Water	E	11.00	0.00	11.00
272 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Day Centre	Castle Water	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
273 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Elm Tree	Castle Water	E	15.00	0.00	15.00
274 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Kent close	Castle Water	E	12.00	0.00	12.00
275 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Memorial	Castle Water	E	13.00	0.00	13.00
276 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Podmore	Castle Water	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
277 Estates Misc	28/07/2021		Current/Business	DD	Water rates Ringden	Castle Water	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
278 Estates Equipment	28/07/2021		Current/Business		Estates supplies	misc suppliers as	S	133.31	26.66	159.97
279 Wages - memorial	28/07/2021		Current/Business		Wages - Memorial	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	97.03	0.00	97.03
280 Salaries	28/07/2021		Wages Imprest	bacs	salary deductions	HMRC	E	1,823.26	0.00	1,823.26
281 Salaries	28/07/2021		Wages Imprest	bacs	salary deductions	HMRC	E	51.60	0.00	51.60
282 Salaries	28/07/2021		Wages Imprest	bacs	Pension - office	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	626.84	0.00	626.84
283 Salaries	28/07/2021		Wages Imprest	bacs	Pension - Estates	PWTC Wages Imprest	E	625.37	0.00	625.37
284 St Andrews Field	30/08/2021		Current/Business	82	Electricity St Andrews	E.ON	S	55.49	2.77	58.26
285 Estates Equipment	30/08/2021		Current/Business	83	Personal Protective	Paddock Wood Garage	S	12.50	2.50	15.00
286 Trees/Plants	30/08/2021		Current/Business	84	Tree work	Green Oak Services	S	450.00	90.00	540.00
287 Cleaning/maintenance	30/08/2021		Current/Business	85	Public Toilets	F & C Cleaning	S	48.33	9.67	58.00
288 St Andrews Field	30/08/2021		Current/Business	81	Gang Mowing	Capel Ground Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
289 Estates Misc	30/08/2021		Current/Business	86	Estates supplies	Jewson Ltd	S	35.06	7.01	42.07
290 Salaries	30/08/2021		Current/Business	87	Locum Fees	SLCC Enterprises	S	1,323.00	264.60	1,587.60
291 Foal Hurst Wood	30/08/2021		Current/Business	88	FHW expenses	Lamberhurst Engineering	S	15.00	3.00	18.00
292 Estates Misc	30/08/2021		Current/Business	89	Estates supplies	Jewson Ltd	S	8.53	1.71	10.24
293 Estates Misc	31/08/2021		Current/Business	90	fencing repairs	Elim Fencing	S	580.00	116.00	696.00
294 St Andrews Hall	31/08/2021		Current/Business	91	Water rates - St Andrews	Business Stream	E	72.10	0.00	72.10
295 Estates Equipment	31/08/2021		Current/Business	92	shop safe radio	TW Safe Town	S	89.25	17.85	107.10
296 Memorial Pitches and	31/08/2021		Current/Business	93	Tree work	Green Oak Services	S	380.00	76.00	456.00
297 Chairmans allowance	31/08/2021		Current/Business	94	flowers	Bloom & Wild	S	29.17	5.83	35.00
298 General expenses	31/08/2021		Current/Business	95	Milk	Waitrose	S	7.42	1.48	8.90

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299 Postage and Stationery	31/08/2021		Current/Business	96	stationery	Viking Direct	S	34.53	6.91	41.44
300 Staff Training	31/08/2021		Current/Business	97	Training fees	Kent Association of Local	S	64.00	12.80	76.80
301 Elections	31/08/2021		Current/Business	98	Election costs	Tunbridge Wells Borough	E	11,467.78	0.00	11,467.78
302 Telephones	31/08/2021		Current/Business	99	Telephone bill	British	S	112.40	14.48	126.88
303 General expenses	02/09/2021		Current/Business	300381 / 100	General Expenses	Petty cash	S	64.67	12.94	77.61
304 Estates Misc	02/09/2021		Current/Business	300381 / 100	General Expenses	Petty cash	S	20.00	0.00	20.00
305 Memorial Pitches and	06/08/2021		Current/Business	72	Grounds maintenance fee	Capel Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
306 Green Lane Pavilion and	06/08/2021		Current/Business	72	Grounds maintenance fee	Capel Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
307 St Andrews Field	06/08/2021		Current/Business	72	Grounds maintenance fee	Capel Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
308 Putlands	06/08/2021		Current/Business	72	Grounds maintenance fee	Capel Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
309 Memorial Pitches and	30/08/2021		Current/Business	81	Gang Mowing	Capel Ground Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
310 Green Lane Pavilion and	30/08/2021		Current/Business	81	Gang Mowing	Capel Ground Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
311 Putlands	30/08/2021		Current/Business	81	Gang Mowing	Capel Ground Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
312 Elm Tree Pitches &	30/08/2021		Current/Business	81	Gang Mowing	Capel Ground Care	S	110.50	22.10	132.60
313 van hire	12/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Van rental	Lloyds Bank	S	325.00	65.00	390.00
314 Loan Repayments	02/08/2021		Current/Business	dd	loan payment	Public Works Loan Board	E	3,240.88	0.00	3,240.88
Total								46,991.71	2,201.76	49,193.47

Paddock Wood Town Council RECEIPTS LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Receipt No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
147 Putlands	21/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Ground Rent	Paddock Wood Bowls	E	96.03	0.00	96.03
148 St Andrews Hall	23/07/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Hall hire	Scalliwags Nursery	S	863.42	172.68	1,036.10
149 Rents	03/08/2021		Current/Business	00276	Allotment Rents	Clarke	E	5.00	0.00	5.00
150 Rents	03/08/2021		Current/Business	00276	Allotment Rents	Christie	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
151 Rents	03/08/2021		Current/Business	00276	Allotment Rents	Bwidani	E	20.00	0.00	20.00
152 Rents	03/08/2021		Current/Business	00276	Allotment Rents	Ross	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
153 Rents	03/08/2021		Current/Business	00276	Allotment Rents	Lefley	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
154 VAT Refund	06/08/2021		Current/Business	00249	VAT Refund	HMRC	E	11,750.08	0.00	11,750.08
155 Memorial Fees	11/08/2021		Current/Business	bacs	Memoral fee	Henry Paul	E	796.00	0.00	796.00
156 Rents	27/08/2021		Current/Business		Allotment Rents	Hayes	E	10.00	0.00	10.00
157 St Andrews Hall	31/08/2021		Current/Business		Hall hire	Scalliwags Nursery	S	918.36	183.67	1,102.03
Total								14,488.89	356.35	14,845.24



Notice of a petition received by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

Enquiries relating to this notice to Mark O'Callaghan, Scrutiny and Engagement Officer. Mark.OCallaghan@TunbridgeWells.gov.uk, (01892) 554219

Reference: PET20210628

Date of notice: Monday 28 June 2021

Title:

"Memorial Playing Field Paddock Wood"

Petition Statement:

"We the undersigned petition Tunbridge Wells Borough Council to lobby Paddock Wood Town Council to reconsider their plans to build a Community Centre on the Memorial Playing Field."

Justification:

"The PWTC Analysis scored Putlands as the equal top site for the proposed Community Centre.

The Parish Poll (held on 15 January 2019) advised The Memorial Playing Field is not the right site for the Community Centre.

There was an initial concept plan drawn up by Alan Legg of TWBC in 2015 by the Borough and PWTC to make Putlands into a multi-purpose Community and Leisure Centre.

The Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan states Protect and Enhance Green Space (not build on it).

The Borough needs to work with PWTC to save money. By enhancing what is available at Putlands the Borough should be able to save considerable subsidies that it currently makes in order to keep Putlands open purely as a Leisure Centre."



Petitioners:

Lead petitioner: Jeremy Thompson (on behalf of Friends of the Memorial Playing Field)

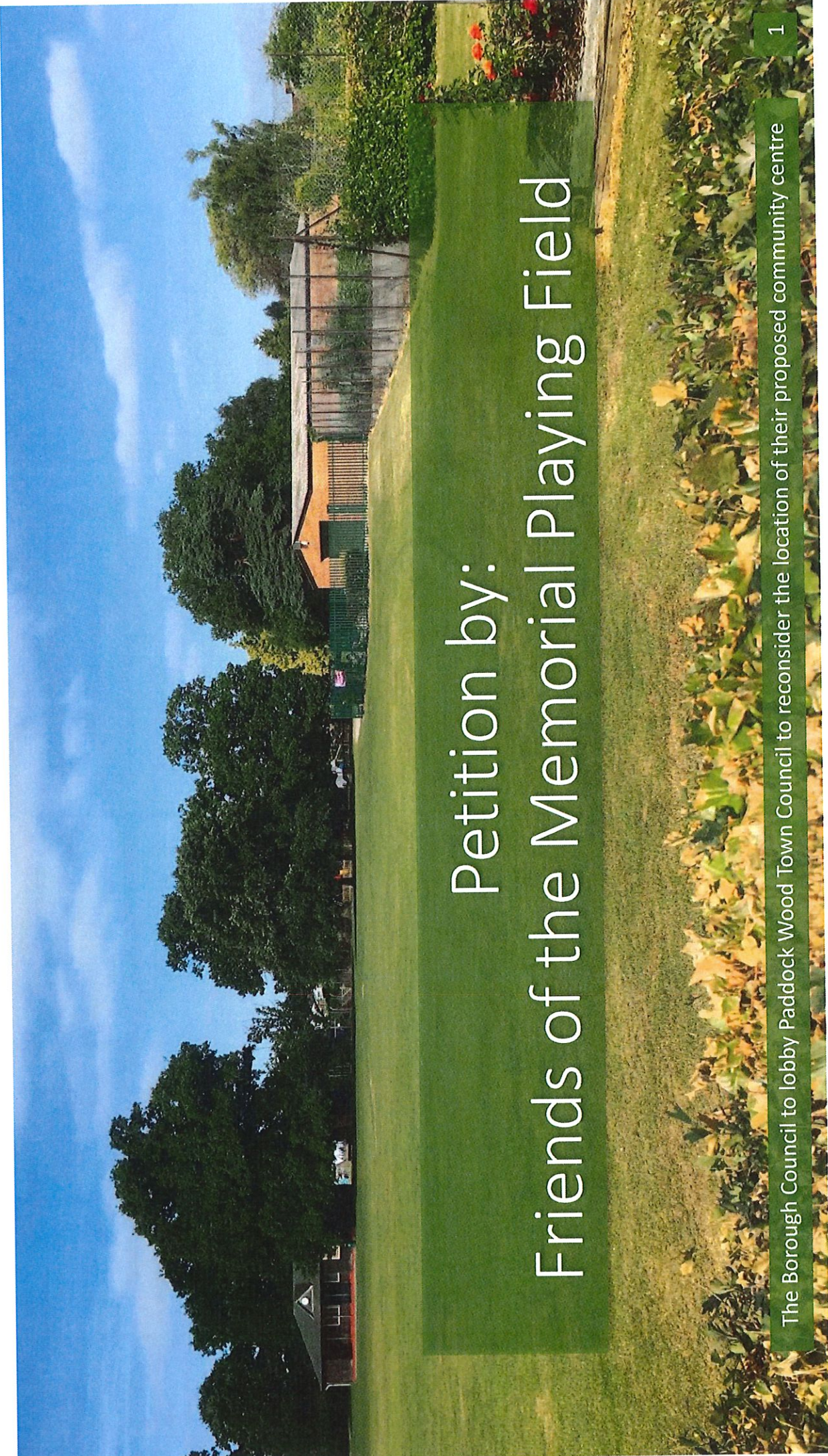
Petition received by the Council on 28 June 2021 via the Council's online portal.

The petition was signed by **517** subscribers.

The names, addresses and signatures of those who signed the petition (the subscribers) were validly received and are deposited with Democratic Services but have been omitted from this notice to protect the subscriber's personal data.

Qualification:

The petition contains more than 500 (but fewer than 1000) signatures and, in accordance with the Council's published petition scheme, qualifies for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.



Petition by: Friends of the Memorial Playing Field

The Borough Council to lobby Paddock Wood Town Council to reconsider the location of their proposed community centre

The Petition

We the undersigned petition Tunbridge Wells Borough Council to lobby Paddock Wood Town Council (PWTC) to reconsider their plans to build a Community Centre on the Memorial Playing Field.

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Started by: Jeremy Thompson (Friends of the Memorial Playing Field)

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Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Local Plan

• The Memorial Field is the best recreation ground in Paddock Wood

- Money raised by residents
- For the purpose of exercise and recreation
- Girl Guides refused permission
- Reduction of public open space
- Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Local Plan 2006
- Protected by Policy R1 and Policy EN21

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Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's 5-year Plan 2017-2022

- It is clear the Borough Council is run as business
- Providing Value
- Create new Sports facilities across the Borough

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Developing a Sense of Community

- Support the development of Community Centres in the Borough
- Importance of Green Space for physical and mental wellbeing
- Net loss of green space
- Housing developments

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Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Leisure & Sports

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Strategy:

- Sports and Active Recreation Strategy
- Make best use of their parks and open spaces
- Open space needs analysis and sports facilities audit
- Target Council resources and funding more effectively

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Recommendation for Full Council

- Friends of the Memorial Playing Field support the aspiration for a new Community Centre in Paddock Wood. They do not support its location on the Memorial Field.
- The Overview & Scrutiny Committee may seek: “to propose ways that the Council can help other organisations to achieve positive desired outcomes for the community.”
- We ask members to consider outcome 2.4 and how TWBC might lobby PWTC and support the move of the location for its planned Community Centre.

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Why I'm here:

Strong connections with Paddock Wood
Project experience of this nature

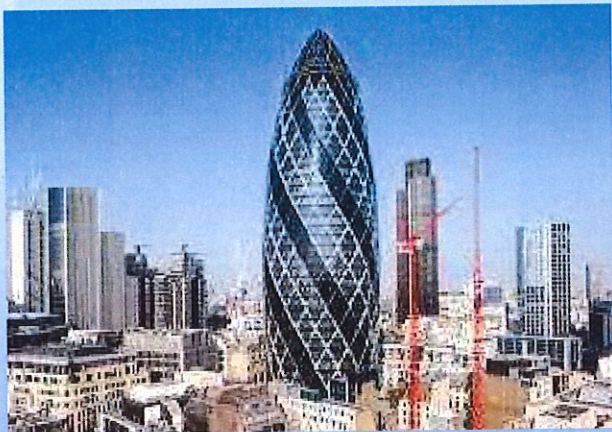
Who I am:

Mr C Wise BSc (Hons) CEng MICE CMS

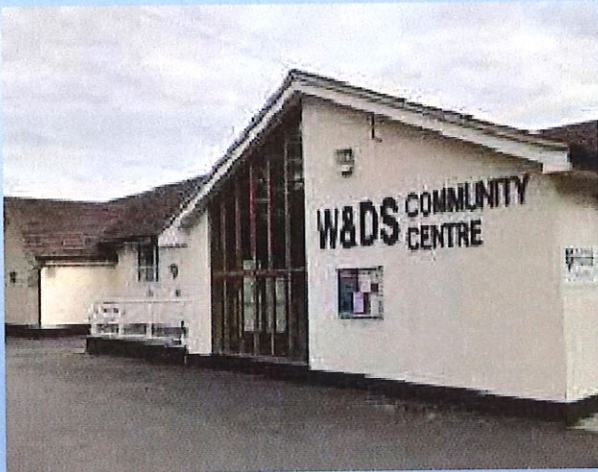
Chartered Civil Engineer

Working with Skanska UK, former Borough / County Councillor &
Chairman, Wootton & Dry Sandford Community Centre, Oxfordshire

Skanska UK
The Gherkin and Scalpel, London



Wootton and Dry Sandford Community Centre, Oxfordshire



Fit for Purpose?

- Is the design Fit for Purpose? This hasn't been determined
- **The need for a Community Centre in Paddock Wood has not been evidenced** whereas the wish and agreement for a swimming pool was 45 years ago. Why hasn't the Putlands Project been concluded, as intended?
- Why hasn't the wider Community been involved or engaged with during the design development process?
- Why have tennis, cricket & football facilities been rundown by the Council for decades, with the Public unable to play tennis or cricket for some years? How does this fit with TWBC's Sports & Leisure values?
- Why does Paddock Wood Town Council behave like an impenetrable fortress? For example, I was denied access to the Project Manager at TWBC (who agreed to meet me) & the Town Council stopped the meeting
- Why was I asked to sign a Petition at the Memorial Field to support this project whilst waiting to bat during a cricket match in 1977? Why is this project still on the drawing board some 45 years later?
- Why hasn't the Council approached other land owners about alternative sites, and not maximised housing developer's contributions without an attempt to fund raise within the Town?
- Finally: Deeds of Variation should be applied to the Section 106 Agreements for funding of other sites other than the Memorial Playing Field
- **Personal View:** Wrap the Cricket Pavilion within a new Community Centre maintaining Heritage Connections with Modern needs



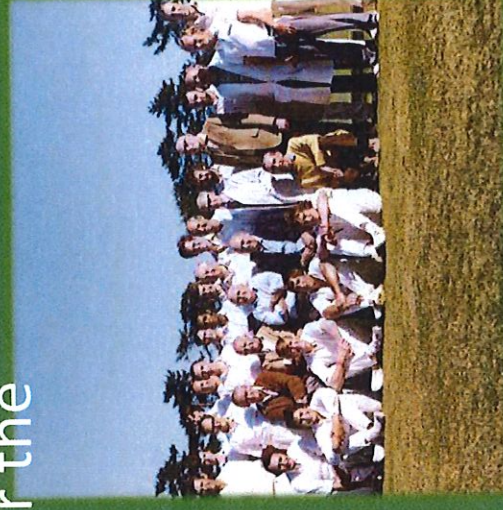
John Haffenden Chairman

Paddock Wood Cricket

Why get involved?

My family has been involved with Paddock Wood Cricket Club for more than 40 years. My father made it too difficult to play and President, brother Haffenden always co-ordinated a team of 10 adults teams. I always walked away to other sports teams.

village team Paddock Wood Sports Association responsible for the building of Putlands Sport Centre.



“It is Paddock Wood Cricket’s position that in planning the new Community Centre, Paddock Wood Town Council has in terms of cricket and tennis been in violation of TWBCs Sports and Leisure policies to the detriment of residents.”

Cricket pitch modern history before closure

1. 1977 Cllr Thomas asked waiting batsman to sign her petition to build a Community Centre on the Memorial Field. Her offer was declined.
2. The public toilet block was demolished siting vandalism. Tennis Pavilion removed.
3. 2006 Additional large Council Estates store was built on Memorial Field in North West corner without planning permission.
4. Cricketers found it difficult to book matches and getting support from Estates staff.
5. 2012 Pitch declared too dangerous for league games by Kent League. Friendlies continued but PWCC gave up trying. Ad-hoc use by Horsmonden, Bells Yew green, Yalding, Capel and Castle Hill and local charity matches continued until 2016.
6. 2016 the last match is played.
7. 13.3.2017 Es34 Cllr Steward proposed, Cllr Thomas seconded: That the cricket square should no longer be available for cricket and the fencing should be removed



Since PWTC indicated that the Memorial Field (MF) was the preferred site for the Community Centre (CC) project, facilities there have been lost. Especially the demand for Tennis and Cricket their In Vaikunthapuram. A part of the site has been allocated to the facilities for the highest in the world. The site is a point of becoming too dangerous to use and consequently closed.

Cricket - revival

11.3.19 **ES73** PWC request reinstatement of existing square for soft ball park charity match on 7.7.19 working towards a hard ball pitch as featured in Community Centre plans. **The wicket is not safe to play on, would need a Kent County pitch inspection.**



7.7.19 and 25.8.19 Two successful softball charity matches played with huge enthusiasm going forward.

16.09.19 **ES51** PWC Secretary submits proposal to help rejuvenate Cricket and Tennis at the MF. PWTC asked 32 questions most of which are unanswerable by an embryonic club.

14.10.19 **ES51** “The proposed timetable was not achievable” & “The location of the cricket square will depend very much on the CC project” – *pre-determination*

1. 17.12.19 **Es72** "PWTC have made a decision to build a CC on the Edge of the MField. A wicket cannot be reinstated until after that project is completed and even then would have to be moved from it's previous location". " – pre-determination
2. 10.2.20 **Es79** PWC Asked for a resolution to re-instate hard ball cricket and offered to install an interim pitch for hard ball cricket free of charge to the council and are happy to move it needs must. TC did not entertain PWC's offer, insisting on more information from PWC.
3. 9.3.20 **Es89** "It has become apparent that the project to build a community centre and the desire to have hard ball cricket on the Memorial Ground are not mutually compatible with each other. Therefore, until the Community Centre project has completed RIBA stage 4, this council will not consider hardball cricket on the Memorial Field. It will however consider softball cricket on a one-off application basis." – pre-determination
4. 6.5.21 **Es5** PWC applies for two softball matches in 2021. PWTC responds "Neither date to be used as a campaign against the community centre project. Cllr Turk proposed the following amendment, Cllr Boyle seconded the amendment: The above agreement is subject to a solemn undertaking by PW Cricket that the events will not be used to thwart the building of the community centre." – pre-determination

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Intimidating members of the public into manipulating a third party in order to be able to hire council facilities. This goes against the Councillors' Code of Conduct and the Nolan Principles

PWTC actions breach the following TWBC's Leisure and Sport policies

1. Delivering economic benefits and raising the profile of local communities by attracting visitors to high quality facilities and sporting events
2. Developing a sense of community by pulling together local groups and organisations
3. Providing opportunities for residents & communities to take ownership of & make best use of their parks & open spaces.
4. And values: That the council, and all those who work for it or are elected to govern it, will show Respect, Openness, Aspiration and Responsibility in all that they say & do

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Cllr Derek Boyle cancelled this charity match

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It's just not cricket

Club protests against council treatment

By Alan Smith
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Cricketers held a protest after ten- sions over plans to build a community centre on a green in Paddock Wood reached fever pitch at the weekend.

Paddock Wood Cricket was set to hold a charity match on the Memorial Playing field on Sunday, but the town council let

the ground to another group because the side declined to guarantee the occasion wouldn't be used as a 'political gesture' to campaign against the project.

It follows dissent over the authority's proposals to build a £3m community hub, including a hall, pre-school and cafes, on part of the former stone Road site at the expense of some of the playing field space.

Haffenden, the chairman of the cricketers group, said: "All we want to do is to start bringing cricket back to Paddock Wood after a long

absence. We are not opposed to the community centre and had no intention of using the event in that way."

"We just wanted to raise money for charity as we did when we last played there in 2019".

Paddock Wood cricketers will turn up at the ground on Sunday and held a "silent protest" standing in a ring around the pitch.

Mr Haffenden said: "Let's be clear, this was not a protest against the community centre, but against the discriminatory way we've have been treated as cricketers."

When the cricketers sought

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The Memorial Field in Paddock Wood. Above: Paddock Wood cricketers stand in silent protest.

Fears over centre chat

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Members of the council's estates committee said the event would not be used to generate any publicity against the centre.

Mr Haffenden said: "Members were worried about the legal implications. We couldn't stop somebody else talking about the community centre."

They still had not received an answer from the council and so had not agreed to the undertaking, when they were informed last week the Sarudava Royals CC from Tunbridge Wells had the dates.

The council's community centre plans do include a new cricket pitch.

Cllr Meryl Flashman, the chairman of the town council, could not be reached, and the deputy clerk was unable to give a comment.

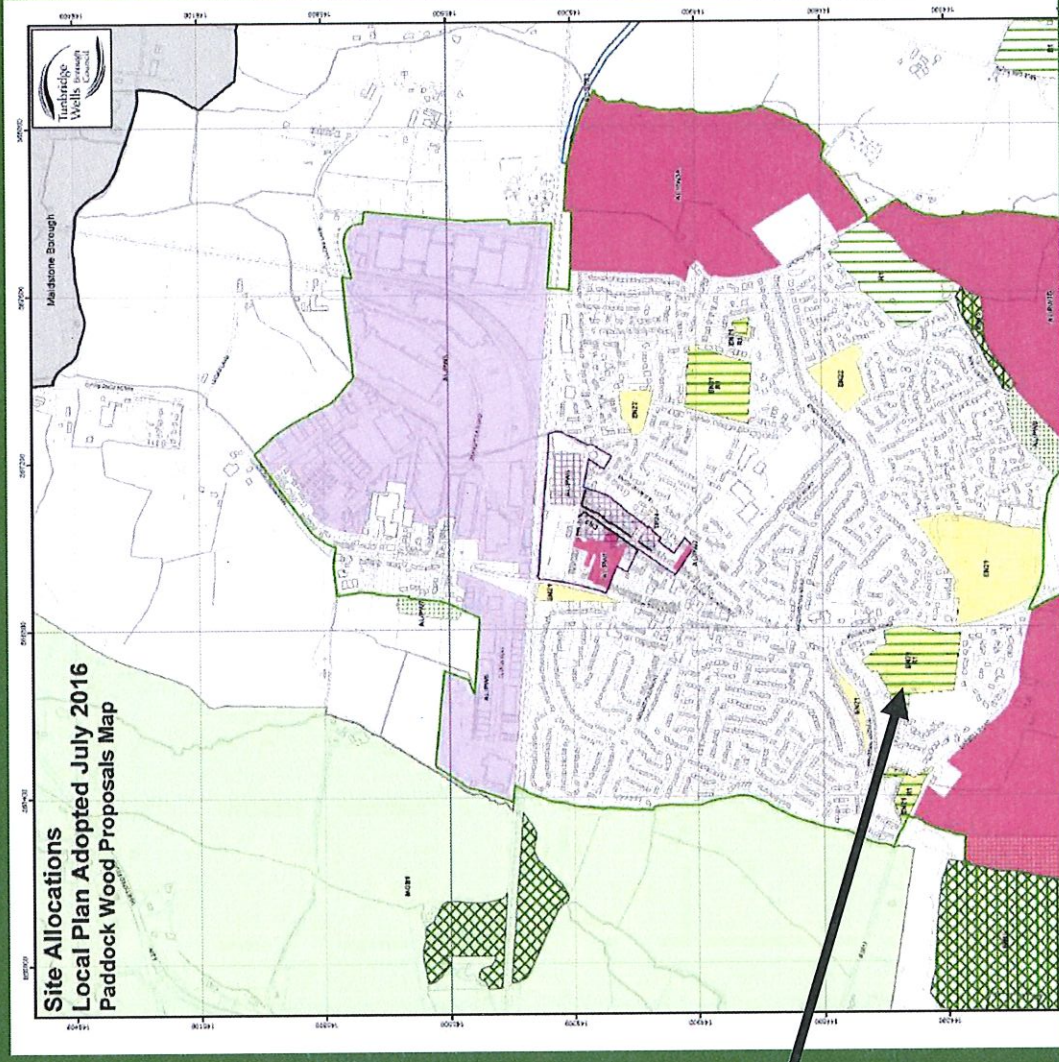
TWBC Local Plan 2006

Remaining saved policies

The Memorial Field is EN21

Areas of Important Open Space

We understand that this has been changed in the new draft plan. It is unclear by who or when.



Summary

- There has been an Agenda for 45 years to build on the only cricket ground in Paddock Wood. During this time a number of facilities have been lost and left to decay to a dangerous unusable state forcing closure at the expense of the town's sports people.
- The Town Council has refused permission for charity matches over the years to the disadvantage of charities and local sports people and dismissed the donation of a professionally installed pitch which they have planned in their own project. Why?
- Despite no Tennis team petitioning for the reinstatement of the courts thousands are being spent to move and provide LTA standard courts whilst the cricketers have to apply to play individual soft ball charity matches.
- **Pre-determination** of building a community centre has been to the detriment of sport in Paddock Wood for at least fours years with no alternative sites.
- **The audio of the Estates meeting 6.5.21 demonstrates that PWTC are prepared to go to extraordinary lengths to achieve their goal which is contrary to the Borough's policies, it's own Code of Conduct and Nolan Principles.**

PADDOCK WOOD TOWN COUNCIL
**RESPONSE
TO PETITION**



Response to “ The PWTC Analysis scored Putlands as the equal top site for the proposed Community Centre”

- The scoring which placed Putlands as equal top site for the Proposed Community Centre clearly identifies Putlands Field NOT Putlands Sports Centre.



OPTION	Road Access	Pedestrian Access	Relationships	Capacity of site	Ownership	Impact
1. Putlands	Situated on a busy country road. Existing car parking fully used. Athletics Track will make car parking worse. Heavy school traffic	Good pedestrian access from everywhere. 15 min brisk walk from centre of PW. Suspected most would use cars.	Near to Mascalls school on existing Sports Centre site. Near to the edge of the Mascals Court Farm Development. Adjacent to housing.	Would mean the loss of at least one playing pitch. Would have the capacity but would mean the loss of open space.	Owned by PWTC but with possible restrictive covenants.	Over development of the site. There is already a Sports centre, Bowling Club, rugby and football pitches as well as an Athletic track.

Response to “ The PWTC Analysis scored Putlands as the equal top site for the proposed Community Centre”

- The Matrix (Nov 2013) which is being used to calculate the scoring was flawed.
- The ownership of both Mascalls Court and Memorial Field was incorrect.
- The Town Council does not own Mascalls Court but does own Memorial Field.

Paddock Wood Sites Matrix - ORIGINAL - INCORRECT

OPTION	Road Access	Ped. Access	Relationships	Capacity of site	Ownership	Score
1 Putlands	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	14
2 Mascalls Court	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	13
3 Elm Tree	Green	Red	Red	Yellow	Green	10
4 Church Farm	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	10
5 Green Lane	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	14
6 St Andrews	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Red	Green	11
7 Hop Pocket	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	9
8 Nursery Road	Red	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	7
9 Memorial	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Red	12
10 Badsell Road	Green	Red	Red	Yellow	Green	10

Response to “The PWTC Analysis scored Putlands as the equal top site for the proposed Community Centre”

- Amending the matrix would change the scores.
- This would place Memorial Field equal to Putlands Field and Green Lane.

Paddock Wood Sites Matrix

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7	Hop Pocket	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red	9
8	Nursery Road	Red	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	7
9	Memorial	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	14*
10	Badsell Road	Green	Red	Red	Yellow	Green	10

* highest scores

Response to “ The Parish Poll advised the Memorial Playing Field is not the right site for the Community Centre”

- In Jan 2019, a parish poll called by a number of residents was held to determine whether the location of the Community Centre should be at the Memorial Field.
- A Parish Poll is not legally binding
- 13.1% of the electorate voted with 409 votes cast against the location and 357 votes supporting the location.
- The NO campaign was run by a group of local individuals, however, the Town Council chose not to run a significant YES campaign.

Response to “ The Parish Poll advised the Memorial Playing Field is not the right site for the Community Centre”

- Following the Parish Poll, local elections have been held.
- In May 2019, candidates were divided between those who supported and those who opposed building the Community Centre on the Memorial Field.
- In Paddock Wood West ward all the candidates who supported the proposed Community Centre were elected. None of the opponents were elected.
- In Paddock Wood East ward there was no election and candidates were elected unopposed.
- The 2 candidates who stood specifically in opposing the Centre were not elected, receiving a total of 401 votes with those in support receiving 2293 votes.
- Overall turnout for these elections was 32.9%

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DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL

Paddock Wood Town Council

Election of Town Councillor for

Paddock Wood - East Ward
on **Thursday 24 June 2021**

I, William Benson, being the Returning Officer at the above election, do hereby give notice that the number of votes recorded for each Candidate at the said election is as follows:

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Number of Votes*
MACKIE, Andrew M	Our Community Centre and Neighbourhood Plan	306 Elected
THOMPSON, Jeremy Oliver Freeman		248

* If elected the word 'Elected' appears against the number of votes.

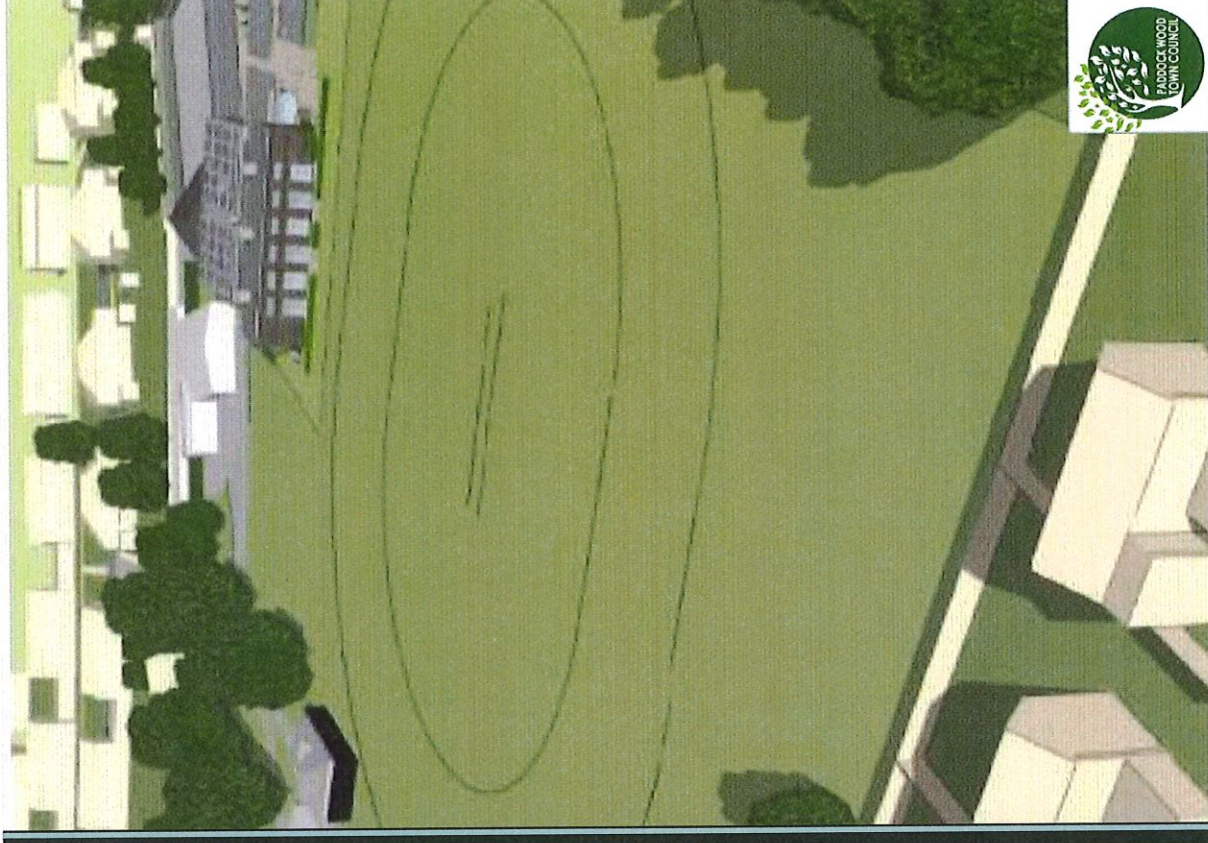
- In the latest elections, the candidate who clearly stated that he supported the Community Centre was elected for the East Ward.

Response to “ Initial Concept Plan by Alan Legg of TWBC in 2015”

- The plan to convert Putlands Sports Centre into a multi-purpose Community and Leisure Centre was drawn up by TWBC
- This plan has been rejected by the Community Centre Working Group and Paddock Wood Town Council

Response to “The Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan states Protect & Enhance Green Space”

- Only 11% of Memorial Field will be built on. 89% will remain leaving space for a full-size football pitch and cricket wicket.
- The currently unusable Tennis Courts will be upgraded.
- The new developments currently underway in Paddock Wood will also provide a large amount of publicly accessible green space. Mascalls Court Farm will provide 20 acres, Mascalls Farm 28 acres and Church Farm 26.5 acres.



Response to “The Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan states Protect & Enhance Green Space”

- Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan Draft Sports & Recreation Policy SR3 states:
- New Developments should provide Spaces that can help support the cultural, social and sporting life of the town.
- Including Large hall to accommodate local music and drama groups, family events and dances, Meeting space for small and large groups and activities.

POLICY SR3

Informal Recreation & Leisure

a) New developments should provide for a clear network of well-designed social and civic spaces that can help support the cultural, social and sporting life of the town.

- Large hall to accommodate local music and drama groups, family events and dances with bar and catering facilities
- Meeting space for small and large groups and activities
- A Youth Hub
- Art gallery space

b) Spaces that create a focus for community activities within green spaces will be supported, including:

- Enhancement and retention of existing green spaces for recreation incorporating indoor and outdoor facilities
- Provision of open green space in keeping with the surrounding area in all new development
- Provision of play areas for all age groups including adolescents in new developments
- Provision of space for outdoor community activities, with barbeque and seating facilities

Space will need to be flexible to accommodate the needs of the changing and growing population in Paddock Wood and the surrounding area.

Response to “The Borough needs to work with PWTC to save money”

- Paddock Wood currently has an “unbreakable lease” with TWBC for Putlands Sports Centre who employ Fusion to run it as a Leisure Centre.
- This is included in TWBC 2017-2022 5 year plan.

Our Range of Services

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council provides a vast range of day to day services that our residents, businesses and visitors rely on. For less than 50p a day, we provide a range of different services such as:

- leisure centres in Royal Tunbridge Wells, **Paddock Wood** and Cranbrook

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- The S106 money for the new Community Centre is not the same as the S106 money that Putlands will receive to improve it's Sports facilities.
- If we were to develop Putlands into a Community Centre, it would lose its S106 money for indoor sport and reduce sports facilities in Paddock Wood.

S106 Contributions	Mascalls Court Farm	Mascalls Farm	Church Farm	Total
Community Centre	£384,750	£317,034	£307,800	£1,009,584
Indoor Sports (Putlands)	£342,000	£281,808	£273,600	£897,408

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- The permissions for Mascalls Farm & Mascalls Court Farm are clear specifying that the contribution is for the building of a community centre on the MEMORIAL FIELD.
- To meet the legal tests for variation, there would have to be a costed and deliverable project for a community centre on another site.
- Both the developers and TWBC would have to agree voluntarily to discuss a variation.
- Under the terms of the agreements the funding needs to be spent within 5 years of receipt otherwise the funds need to be returned to the developer.
- The funds from the Mascalls Court Farm Development have already been received by PWTC.

Response to “The Borough needs to work with PWTC to save money”

- The Paddock Wood Community Centre plan has been included in the TWBC 2017 – 2022 5 year plan.
- This has been voted for by our Borough Councillors.

Support the development of the Community Centres in the borough

The Council has worked closely with Southborough Town Council to help them secure a planning application for the delivery of new community facilities. We will continue to work with them to deliver this exciting project, and with Cranbrook and Sissinghurst Parish Council, and **Paddock Wood** Town Council, who have similar aspirations to increase the availability of local services in the heart of their communities and so enhance quality of life of residents.

Additional Information

- **Why does Paddock Wood need a Community Centre?**
 - In 2008 the Town Health Check identified the need for a community centre as many groups struggled to find suitable, regular accommodation and are restricted in their use of some facilities. With further housing developments now underway, Paddock Wood is looking to the future to provide a community resource for a growing population. Since the loss of the parochial hall this demand has only increased further and adds to the urgency of delivering the community centre.
- **We have plenty of other halls in Paddock Wood which can be booked so why do we need another one?**
 - With the +1000 houses being built in Paddock Wood, there will be an increase in demand for the existing halls which are already unable accommodate all requests currently made. Some halls are only available at certain times, e.g., School Halls can only be booked outside of school hours. Many local groups are finding it hard to book regular times in the facilities available and are having to limit their membership and activities as a result.

Additional Information

- Lately, we have been running a series of posts on facebook answering FAQ's about the proposed Community Centre. These have received many positive comments from residents.



This is going to be great for the whole community the perfect place as well

Let's just get on and get it built, we need it now, a real asset for Paddock Wood. It's over 60 years since the Parochial Hall was demolished. Let's no longer be known as the only Town in Kent without a Village Hall or Community Centre.

This is a fabulous building which everyone will benefit from.

Can't wait for this to get started such a benefit for the community of paddock wood

A great explanation and a desperately needed centre, particularly with PW four times the size in years to come! Plan for future generations' benefit. Just shows just how little green space will be taken by the centre, and obvs all sports can still be played!!

Thank you for making this so clear. We really need the Community Centre to be built now. The vote for the East Ward shows the level of support.

I totally agree. Lots of green space is still left

This looks great, I was talking to a friend of ours who actually looks after the park and he even agrees it's going to be good for Paddock Wood, and said they could still play cricket, football and plenty of space for us dog walkers, I use this field almost every day, so will be great to be able to use the loo and grab a coffee maybe ...hurry up please



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 - Only 11% of the field will be built on
 - The 3 new estates currently under development will be providing almost 75 acres of accessible green space
 - The PWNP draft policies also state that New Developments should provide
.... *Spaces that can help support the cultural, social and sporting life of the town, which includes halls for groups to use for activities.*

IN SUMMARY

- “The Borough needs to work with PWTC to save money”
 - S106 money for building the Community Centre & S106 money for Indoor Sports at Putlands are allocated for different things.
 - Developing Putlands Sports Centre into a Community Centre could lose their S106 Indoor Sports Funding.
 - The permissions for Mascalls Farm & Mascalls Court Farm are clear specifying that the contribution is for the building of a community centre on the MEMORIAL FIELD.
 - The Borough has included Putlands in their 5 year plan as a leisure centre provided by themselves.
 - The Borough has included in their 5 year plan their “Support for Community Centres in the Borough” and identified working with Paddock Wood Town Council to deliver this.

Paddock Wood had identified a need for a Community Centre to serve the residents of a fast growing town. Our current facilities do not meet current demand and with our current expansion, a Community Centre is very much needed.

Sites around the Town were assessed and the Town Council chose Memorial Field as the preferred site.

All plans and permissions have been drawn up in relation to this site. This has been submitted for planning permission.

£106 monies have been allocated to this site.

Should planning permission be approved, building works will commence in Autumn 2021 with a view to completion in Spring 2022.

