

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council
Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held in the Radcliffe Room,
The Grange, on Monday 30 March 2015
at 7.00pm

Cllr. Rod Brears (Chairman)

Cllr. Graham Leigh-Browne Cllr. Jim McKechnie (Vice Chairman)
 Cllr. Mrs Melanie McKechnie Cllr. John Thorn
 Cllr. Mrs Pam Thompson Cllr. Dominic Tompkin
 Ex-officio: Cllrs Roger Upton and Mrs Georgia Moore

Also present: Clerk – Jacki Grice, five residents and Cllr Neil Clarke (Rushcliffe Borough Councillor)

Apologies

1. None received.

Declarations of Interest

2. None received.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting Held on 02 March 2015

3. It was: **Resolved:** “That the minutes are approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman”

Chairman’s Announcements

4. Two subsequent applications have been received since the Agenda was published.

Clerk’s Report on Previous Minutes

5. **M.7 Hutton Energy UK Ltd: Community Advisory Board**

All expressions of interest from people wishing to sit on the board were passed to Curtin Consultants, it is understood that the list has been reduced to a 12 members panel only. Cllr Kay Cutts will Chair the meetings, the first of which to be held on 23rd April.

6. **M. 10 Nat West**

The Bank closed on 11 March, the ATM machine will remain in place.

7. **M. 10 Tesco / Black Lion Site**

The Corporate Affairs Manager has advised that work will recommence in May for an August opening.

8. **M. 14 Energy Monitoring**

Cllr Upton was tasked with looking at the Grange Roof with regard to the potential of installing solar energy panels. The roof is well over 100 years old and would need replacing before erecting anything on to it.

9. **M. 22 RBC Meetings**

The Clerk has sent a request to Rushcliffe Borough Council asking them to consider more evening meetings when Parish Council representatives are invited. No response received to date.

Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Relevant Matters

10. Standing Orders were suspended at 7.10pm

- Cllr Neil Clarke (RBC) informed the meeting that Cllr Cutts was asked to Chair the Community Advisory Board regarding the Harlequin 3 well site. (Cllr Upton confirmed the panel names.)
- Cllr Neil Clarke wished to clarify the position on the 4th Bridge (Colwick to Radcliffe) which has recently been reported on in the Nottingham Post. ‘There is no plan, it is just an idea that has been ongoing for decades and no specific location has been suggested. He would not support a crossing unless it takes traffic away from Radcliffe on Trent and improvements were made to the A52. The Cllr Clarke mentioned in the article was Cllr Clarke of Gedling

Borough Council and not Cllr Clarke of Rushcliffe Borough Council. A feasibility study would be needed for the scheme and Gedling, Borough and the City Council would split the cost estimated at £60,000.

- *Cllr Neil Clarke has met with the previous MD of East Midlands Trains and aims to meet with the new MD in the near future to lobby for a better train service, the re-franchise is coming up and now is the time to put Radcliffe's needs forward.*

11. **Resolved:** "To continue to suspend standing orders to allow the order of business to be amended and Item 12, be brought forward."

East Midlands Trains

12. The working group has recently met and recommended that a letter be sent to the Department of Transport (relevant parties copied in) endorsing the report prepared by Jim Bamford, Nott's Community Rail Partnership, N.C.C. The report highlights rail issues in Nottinghamshire including Radcliffe on Trent and outlines the need for track infrastructure works, increased stops, journey times, optimising connections and even spacing of peak and inter-peak services. The letter would also highlight the bus service demand, housing growth, A52 accident rate, A52 transport/rail corridor, potential of a mini park and ride and the traffic pressure on the current three River Trent Crossings.

Resolved: "To approve the letter to be sent."

13. Standing Orders resumed

Recent Rushcliffe Borough / County Council Decisions

14. These were accepted as circulated as outlined on the attached document.

Planning Applications

15. The applications received were reviewed and decisions taken as outlined on the attached document.

Applications Subsequently Received

16. The two applications received were reviewed and decisions taken as outlined on the attached document.

Energy Monitoring Report: To Consider Contract with ESPO for Gas and Electricity

17. The item was deferred until the next meeting as the Fixed Rate prices have not yet been confirmed.

Neighbourhood Plan Update

18. The minutes of the meeting held on 26 March were not yet available. Cllr Roger Upton provided a verbal update:
- The application to Locality for grant aid will be submitted by the deadline of 02 April. A response will be received within 10 days.
 - BPUD, the consultants have been asked to revise their quotation to compress the works programme into 6 months as the bid criteria has changed in that grant funds need to be spent within 6 months, previously it was 12 months. Members noted the update and thanked Cllr Roger Upton for all his hard work in getting the Neighbourhood Plan project to this point.

Radcliffe Buses

19. The temporary Road Works to be carried out during 5th – 9th May at the Bingham Road/Cropwell Road/Main Road crossroads is going to cause major transport issues for residents and school children. Travel and Transport Services are looking at alternatives but it may be that full closure still goes ahead. The Clerk would request that the resurfacing be carried out during the night to reduce the transport issues particularly the diverted bus routes.

Correspondence

a) N.C.C Road Works Notification Procedures

20. Due to limited or no notifications received on recent Road works. The Clerk asked N.C.C Highways to provide information on the notification process. An alert email has now been set up to enable details to be received by the Clerk.

b) RBC: Notes of Strategic Growth Board Meeting 10 March 2015

21. Cllr Upton and the Clerk attended the launch event of this new growth board which is using the information gathered at the forums to create a long term vision and master plan for the future. In particular addressing the A52 corridor. Bingham/Radcliffe/West Bridgford. Topics covered included: Community Infrastructure, Retail, Employment/Business Growth and Transport Infrastructure. Noted.

Date of Next Meeting

22. Confirmed as Monday 20 April 2015. (7.00pm)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Signed: Chairman Date