

Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

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cc: All Members of the Development Control Committee

cc: Mrs K Cutts, Nottinghamshire County Councillor

Date: 26 May 2015

Dear Mr Pegram

Land North of Nottingham Road, Radcliffe on Trent - Outline Planning Application (13/02498/OUT)

The Parish Council has grave concerns regarding the timing of this application being considered on 28th May 2015 at the Development Control Committee meeting.

Radcliffe is currently in the process of developing a Neighbourhood Plan which is expected to be adopted in the spring of 2016.

We urge the committee to defer any decision until the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan. Ideally the Parish Council would prefer a delay until the end of Local Plan Stage 2 Greenbelt Review as the Parish Council originally objected on the grounds of the development being in the Greenbelt.

It is noted with much interest the S106 Draft Heads of Terms Summary which include contributions to Swimming Pool facilities of £83,600, Sports Hall of £134,202 and Sports Pitches of £128,344. Equating to £346,146 for these three areas.

The current facilities in Radcliffe and the amount of the sums mentioned means it is highly unlikely that the Pool and Sports Hall contributions will come directly into the village.

The recently produced Community Plan highlighted a strong demand for better sport and leisure facilities in the village and the Neighbourhood Plan intends to mirror these aspirations. One of the Focus Groups is currently collating information on the potential of a small scale community leisure complex at the Wharf Lane Recreation Ground (which is in close proximity to the proposed development.) The contributions mentioned would go a long way to making this aspiration a reality and the Parish Council requests that the committee consider the long term detrimental affect it would have on the village if the S106 funds were not directly used in the village, noting that this development is for an additional 300 houses, improved leisure infrastructure in the village is essential.

In summary, whilst the Parish Council would prefer for the decision to be deferred to allow sufficient time for the conclusion of the Neighbourhood Plan and the Green Belt Review, in the event that RBC does decide to approve the consent then the Parish Council requests that a variation to the s.106 Heads of Terms is made to ring fence the funds for Radcliffe.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J. Grice Parish Clerk