

**Minutes of a meeting of Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council held in  
The Radcliffe Room, The Grange,  
on Monday 28 April 2014 at 7.00pm**

**Councillors**

David Smith (Chairman) (A)	Dominic Tompkin	Roger Upton (Vice Chairman)
Mrs Penny Astill	Rodney Brears	Graham Leigh-Browne
Mrs Janet Maughan	Jim McKechnie	Mrs Melanie McKechnie
Gordon Moore	Mrs Georgia Moore (A)	Peter Robinson
Mrs Jean Smith	Mrs Josephine Spencer	James Spencer
Bill Sylvester (A)	Mrs Pam Thompson	John Thorn

**Also present:** Mrs Jacki Grice (Clerk), Cllr Kay Cutts (Nottinghamshire County Councillor) and six members of the public

1. **In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr David Smith, the Vice Chairman, Cllr Roger Upton chaired the meeting.**
2. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs David Smith, Georgia Moore, Bill Sylvester, Neil Clarke and PC Steve Mathias
3. **Declarations of Interest:** None received.
4. **Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 17 February 2014**  
It was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman."

**Chairman's Announcements**

5. Nottinghamshire County Council is consulting with stakeholders regarding the possible amalgamation of Radcliffe on Trent Community Infant and Nursery and Radcliffe on Trent Community Junior Schools.
6. The NHS Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group are surveying all households to review the GP services in Rushcliffe.
7. Bingham Library will soon be undergoing refurbishment. To minimise the negative impact of the closure, Radcliffe Library opening hours will be extended from 24<sup>th</sup> May – 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014.
8. Attention was brought to an article in the Nottingham Post with regard to Eric Pickles proposal of a draft regulation called the Audit and Accountability Act 2014 which has been laid in Parliament and, if approved, could come into force by May, giving rights to everyone to film all council meetings.
9. The Outlaw Half Triathlon cycle element shall be travelling through Radcliffe on Trent on Sunday 1 June, and the Full Triathlon event is on Sunday 27 July 2014.
10. A presentation for Bill Banners retirement will take place at the Grange on 02 June at 6pm.

**Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes**

11. An initial meeting was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March with interested residents to discuss a strategy on the way forward regarding leisure facilities in the village. Unfortunately those present did not have common goal to progress anything as a working group. Various actions were taken from the meeting and information is now awaited from relevant groups before any further progress can be made.

**Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business**

12. Standing Orders were suspended at 7.10pm

*The following items were raised:*

- *Changes to Park Homes site licensing, Government has advised that it will be of benefit to residents, as by paying an annual fee means that they can hold the local authority to account.*
- *Thanks given to all who attended the Community Plan survey results day on 23 April. All information collated to produce the plan could be used if needed for a Neighbourhood Plan.*

13. Standing orders resumed at 7.15pm

**Police Crime Statistics**

14. Crime figures for February and March 2014 were noted. P.C Mathias sent an email advising that vehicle crime has decreased in the month of April.

15. **Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meetings of 10 March 2014 and 14 April 2014** were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Rod Brears, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to the committee".  
- The Community Litter Picking event shall be advertised on the website and notice boards and community groups informed.

16. **Minutes of The Grange & Grange Hall Management Committee meeting of 31 March 2014** were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Penny Astill, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to the committee".

17. **Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting of 03 March 2014** were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Jo Spencer, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to the committee".  
-The new village planters shall be planted up when the bulk spring flowers arrive for the village and Grange Grounds.

18. **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting of 07 April 2014** were presented by the Chairman Cllr Gordon Moore, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to committee."  
-A review meeting with the football club is being held on 02 May 2014.  
-Defibrillator training for staff, councillors and interested residents will be arranged when the machine is installed.

**Correspondence**

**a) Park Homes Site Licensing Update**

19. Members were circulated with the notes from a meeting with Sarah Cairns and Dan Swaine from the Borough Council. The meeting advised on the recent changes in the Mobile Homes Act 2013 for Site Licensing. It is hoped that this will be a step in the right direction to give more protection to residents and better management of the sites. NOTED.

**b) Main Street Parking Issues**

20. The police have installed signs to deter parking on the crossing near on the high street, however they are very small and do not appear to have any effect. The Clerk would ask them to put larger signs in place and remind them that the CCTV looks at that area. The Speedwatch Group will be asked if they are interested in monitoring the area.

**Actions and Follow Up Procedures**

21. The Clerk would ensure that in future all correspondence received is acknowledged and responded to in a timely manner. All actions requiring a response from outside bodies shall be chased up and if no response then escalated to appropriate people in a timely manner.

**Grant Requests**

22. It was **RESOLVED**: “To defer the grant requests (Neighbourhood Watch and Scouts Group) to the next Finance and General Purposes Committee which is the appropriate committee to consider the applications.”

**Neighbourhood Planning**

23. Cllr Upton presented members with a summary report on the procedure and benefits for a Neighbourhood Plan. It was: **RESOLVED**: “To approve that the Parish Council submit a proposed Neighbourhood Plan area to Rushcliffe Borough Council for designation.”

The Clerk would ask a representative of the Keyworth Neighbourhood Plan to attend a meeting to provide a summary of key issues they have found with the process.

**Reports from Borough and County Councillors**

24. Cllr Jean Smith had nothing to report.
25. Cllr Cutts advised that:
- the proposed school amalgamation will be based on keeping the two sites for the foreseeable future.
  - There is lobbying for safer routes for cyclists, but due to financial constraints it is unlikely that there will be any additional improvements in this area, it was noted that the Multi User Route (Cotgrave- Holme Pierrepont) has been withdrawn from the programme.
  - recently attended an Awards reception at the Notts County Cricket Club and a Scouting event at Flintham.
  - Minerals Local Plan review is due shortly and the Shelford Gravel Plan will be considered.
  - Shelford and Newton Parish Council separation is currently being debated.
  - an approach has been made by Mark Greenhalgh, local voluntary youth worker for taking on a County Council mini bus for community use. Various groups have been asked to express an interest.

**Reports from Outside Organisations**

26. The Angling Society have reported that someone is approaching the Lily Ponds area by boat and cutting down healthy tree branches for firewood. The police have been informed.
27. The ROTSA management Committee is still without a Chairman and Vice Chairman. 4 Recreation still manages the everyday operations. Cllr J. Spencer is endeavouring to arrange a meeting to involve new volunteers. The Clerk will Agenda the item for regular review.
28. The AGM for ROTSPA was recently held and attendance at the pool has already dropped by 19%. There is no training planned for volunteers and from May the pool will not be open on Tuesdays or Thursdays. It is likely that the pool will close in July.
29. The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 16 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960 **RESOLVED**
30. **Minutes of the Personnel and Wages Sub Committee 14 April 2014** were presented by Cllrs Gordon Moore and Mel Mckechnie, it was: **RESOLVED** “That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to sub committee.”

**Date of Next Meeting**

31. **May 2014 (ACM)**  
**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm**

**Signed: Chairman.....Date.....**