

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of
Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council held in The Radcliffe Room, The Grange,
on Monday 29 June 2015 at 7.00pm**

Councillors

Keith Agar	Rodney Brears	Georgia Moore (Chairman)
David Astill	Graham Budworth	Jean Robinson
Penny Astill	Sue Clegg	Josephine Spencer
Joe Bailey	Martin Culshaw	Pam Thompson
Bill Banner	Gillian Dunn	John Thorn
David Barton (Vice Chairman)	Graham Leigh-Browne	Alice Tomlinson

Also present: Mrs Jacki Grice (Clerk), Cllr Roger Upton (Rushcliffe Borough Councillor) Cllr Jean Smith (Rushcliffe Borough Councillor), and three members of the public.

Rushcliffe Borough Council Officers: Allen Graham (Chief Executive)

(until 7.32pm)

Dan Swaine (Executive Manager)

Catherine, Evans (Transformation Project Officer)

South Nottinghamshire Academy: Dan Philpotts (Head Teacher)

(until 7.53pm)

Deborah Giles (Chair of Governors)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Neil Clarke - Rushcliffe Borough Councillor and Cllr Kay Cutts – Nottinghamshire County Councillor.

2. Declarations of Interest

None received.

Minutes of the Full Council Annual Meeting held on 18 May 2015 for Approval

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

Chairman’s Announcements

4. The Chairman attended the Rushcliffe Borough Council Annual Town and Parish Conference on 12 June and also the County Council Civic Service on 28 June.
5. There are many Events coming up that are organised by the Parish Council. All volunteers to let Lisa, Hall Manager know your availability.

Rushcliffe Borough Council Economic Growth Board

6. Allen Graham, CEO at Rushcliffe Borough Council provided a presentation of the newly formed Economic Growth Board. In summary:
- Rushcliffe is facing significant growth via the Local Plan – 13,000 new homes over the next 15-20 years. More employment land providing more jobs. More pressure on our infrastructure.
 - Three growth boards established to help shape and develop future economic development and regeneration and to agree a plan and implement a long term vision for the future that meets the needs of existing and future residents and businesses – West Bridgford / Cotgrave / Radcliffe on Trent joined with Bingham.
 - Board membership to comprise of Borough and Parish Officers and Councillors and co-opted stakeholder members
 - Funding to support growth - LEP for A46 Corridor £6.25m
 - South Notts Leader Funding (share of 1.6m / 40% match)

- Sustainable Urban Development Funding (share of 10.6m)
 - Strategic Growth Board Commissioning Fund £100k
7. Members asked various questions with particular regard to Radcliffe's lack of Leisure facilities compared to other large councils and how much funding would come directly to Radcliffe. (Priorities would be established via the Growth Board).

To Nominate a Representative for the RBC Economic Growth Board

8. Cllr Barton proposed Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Leigh-Browne. It was **Unanimously Resolved:** "That Cllr Moore be appointed as the Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council Representative."

South Nottinghamshire Academy

9. Dan Philpotts, Head Teacher and Deborah Giles, Chair of Governors provided an update on the new school build, in summary:
- The build is progressing well and the P.C will be kept regularly updated. There is potential for small expansion in the future.
 - Only the 3G pitch and the Sports Hall will remain and school access will be on the immediate left from Glebe Lane entrance. Unfortunately buses will not be able to access the site due to a restricted turning angle and access from the A52 is not a viable option.
 - The move into the new building is expected in September and the existing site demolition and landscaping phases expected to take a further 5 months.
 - The build cost is £10m, which still isn't enough for new furniture and additional car parking.
 - There are five community groups in discussion with SNA with regard to the available land left. Playgroup are liaising with N.C.C and outcomes are awaited.

Members raised questions regarding car parking, how the space would be utilised by the community and what the intentions are of the school to fill the gap in community activities since the loss of the pool. It is early days regarding the available space and the school hopes to continue the relationship with the Parish Council with information updates.

Forward Planning for the Next Four Years

10. The Vice Chairman explained the rationale of the Council putting together a plan of what is wanted to be achieved over the 4 year term of office. A coherent, thought out and prioritised programme rather than spontaneous ideas throughout the term. There would be input from Councillors, Staff, the Community Plan and other stakeholders from the local community and businesses. Ideas raised will need to be considered for feasibility and importance and a first draft presented to Full Council on 07 September prior to the budget setting process. Cllr Budworth advised that this new programme would also have to consider and work in alignment with the many other focus groups working on projects such as the Neighbourhood Plan and the Economic Growth Board.
- The Chairman proposed that the Council undertake the process of a four year plan, seconded by Cllr Thompson, it was:
- Unanimously Resolved** "To approve the undertaking of a four year plan by the arrangement of working groups, to be presented to Full Council on 07 September."

Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes

11. M48. South Nottinghamshire Academy Totem Poles

South Nottinghamshire Academy have confirmed that it is their intention to retain the Totem Poles, they will either remain in their current locations or be re-sited, the decision will be made when the landscaping plans are finalised.

M.51 Website Pictures and Profiles

12. There are still a few pictures and profiles required from members to update the website.

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

13. Standing Orders were suspended at 8.12pm

- A resident commented that the new Academy rebuild is a fantastic thing for the village, but raised concerns about the loss of the pool and hoped that the new Council would include this provision in their strategic planning. An initial meeting was held last year but the project was not taken forward.

14. Standing Orders resumed at 8.15pm

Police Crime Statistics April and May 2015

15. Noted.

16. Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 01 June 2015

were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Martin Culshaw, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to committee save for the following amendment".

'Cllr Budworth is part of the East Midlands Trains Working Group, not Cllr Leigh-Browne.'

17. Minutes of the Grange Hall and Grange Management Committee Meeting held on 08 June 2015

were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Sue Clegg, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to committee."

18. Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 15 June 2015 for Approval

were presented by the Chairman Cllr. Josephine Spencer, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to committee."

19. Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on 22 June 2015 for Approval

were presented by the Chairman Cllr. John Thorn, it was: **RESOLVED** "That the minutes be accepted as presented and referred back to committee save for the amendment of two typos."

Neighbourhood Plan

20. Standing Orders were suspended at 7.27pm to enable Cllr Roger Upton to speak to the meeting.

21. Update

- The Planning Consultants BPUD are meeting with the Neighbourhood Plan Focus Groups on 8th and 9th July prior to writing up the draft policies.
- Arrangements are being made for a small panel to meet with Developers and Land Owners to listen to their intentions for sites in the village.

- A Neighbourhood Plan Public Exhibition is planned for 8th October for residents to comment on the Final Draft Plan.

22. Standing orders resumed at 7.28pm

23. Nominate Vice Chair of Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Culshaw nominated Cllr Agar, seconded by Cllr Barton, it was

Unanimously Resolved: “That Cllr Agar be appointed the Vice Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.”

Year End Accounts 31 March 2015

24. To Approve and Sign the Annual Return Accounting Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2015

It was **Unanimously Resolved** “That the Annual Return Accounting Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2015 be approved and were duly signed by the Chairman.”

25. To Approve and Sign the Annual Return Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2015

It was **Unanimously Resolved** “That the Annual Return Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2015 be approved and were duly signed by the Chairman.”

26. To Approve and Sign the Financial Accounting Statements for the Year Ending 31 March 2015

It was **Unanimously Resolved** “That the Financial Accounting Statements up to 31 March 2015 be approved and were duly signed by the Chairman.”

Correspondence

Local Government Boundary Commission for England: Draft Proposals for new Nottinghamshire County Council Division Boundaries

27. Cllr Graham Leigh-Browne proposed the following response, seconded by Cllr Budworth:-

‘That Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council make representation to the Local Government Boundary Commission that, having regard to the aim of reflecting their interests and identities of local communities, together with the Commissions reasoning given for Rushcliffe, Tollerton and West Bridgford West, that divisions are drawn in those two to avoid placing rural parishes in West Bridgford, the Council considers it has no ties to Gamston South Ward in West Bridgford so that ward should not be in Radcliffe on Trent and that there are strong links with Shelford, Newton and Cropwell Butler and these rural parishes should be in Radcliffe on Trent division’. It was

Resolved (with 16 votes for and 2 against) “That the proposed response be approved.”

28. Rushcliffe CVS

Free Training Event ‘How to Make a Good Funding Application at the Civic Centre on Friday 3 July 10am-1pm

29. Radcliffe on Trent Playgroup

Requesting a meeting to discuss their future provision. Cllrs Bailey, Tomlinson and Thorn would attend and report back to committee.

30. NALC

New Councillor Training – Shelford Hall – 6 August 7.30-9.30pm.
Interested Councillors to inform the Clerk.

Working Groups and Sub Committees: Dates of Meeting Process

31. **Unanimously Resolved:** “When working groups and sub committees are arranged, a lead member will take responsibility for organising the date and time to suit attendees.”

Standing Orders and Financial Regulations – Working Group

32. Cllrs Spencer and Culshaw would review Standing Orders and Financial Regulations and make recommendations to the next Full Council meeting.

Reports from Borough and County Councillors

33. Cllr Jean Smith reported:-

- On the untimely death of Peter Stead, Finance Executive at Rushcliffe Borough Council, he was a very talented man that will be very much missed by Officers and Councillors.
- Advised that the Executive Management Team at Rushcliffe Borough Council had recently won the award for the Best Management Team in Local Government.
- There are many new Borough Councillors since the May elections and they are currently undergoing extensive training particularly in Development Control and Licensing.
- The proposal for the Health Centre Car Park with regard to the drop off / pick up point is for it to be for a maximum 10 minutes waiting time.
- RBC Chief Executive Allen Graham and Executive Manager Dan Swaine shall soon be undertaking a walkabout of the village.

34. Cllr Roger reported:-

- That he has been appointed Vice Chairman of RBC Development Control Committee and that he hopes for strong liaison with the Planning and Environment Chairman, Cllr Culshaw with regard to planning applications. Cllr Culshaw advised that there is an item on the next Planning Agenda to discuss procedures.

Councillors' Reports

35. The Clerk advised that this would now be an agenda item for Councillors to report on anything that is not on the Agenda for information purposes. However the Hutton Energy Community Advisory Board Reports with regard to the Harlequin 3 Well Site would be a standing item on the Planning and Environment Committee Agenda for the foreseeable future.
36. Cllr Leigh-Browne raised concern at a recent CPRE meeting about the judging of the Best Kept Village Competition, in that the population categories need reviewing as villages are not competing on a like for like basis.

Reports from Outside Organisations

37. Following on from the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting, ROTSPA were approached to consider funding new equipment for Trent First Responders to expand in the Village. Apparently this sort of project does not come under their criteria for funding. The Clerk would write to ROTSPA seeking information on the grant criteria, constitution and total funds available.

Date of Next Meeting

38. 07 September 2015

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm

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