

# Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council

## Finance and General Purposes Extraordinary Committee Meeting held in the Radcliffe Room, The Grange, on Monday 08 August 2016 at 7pm

Cllr Josephine Spencer (Chairman)

Bill Banner (Vice Chairman) (A)

Rod Brears

Martin Culshaw

Gillian Dunn

Dave Barton

Pam Thompson

Georgia Moore

Keith Agar (A)

Graham Budworth

Sue Clegg (A)

David Astill (Ab)

Graham Leigh Browne

John Thorn

**Also Present:** Jacki Grice (Parish Clerk)

In the interests of transparency, the council asks that any person wishing to record the meetings proceedings informs the Chairman prior to the start of the meeting and that recording equipment is on view. There is an Open Session on the Agenda at which time members of the public are invited to raise any matters pertaining to the work of the committee, limited to fifteen minutes, during which time Standing Orders will be suspended.

1. **Apologies Approved:** Cllrs Sue Clegg and Keith Agar, Bill Banner

2. **Declarations of Interest**

None received

3. **Chairman's Announcements**

The Parish Council took ownership of the 20 year old SkatePark in January 2015, the Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council supports the continuation of a SkatePark facility.

4. **Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Relevant Matters, Limited to 15 Minutes**

No members of the public were present.

5. **To Consider and Approve Unbudgeted Expenditure for Repairs / Alterations to the SkatePark**

Cllr Barton provided an update on the Skatepark facility:

- SkatePark is unfit for use due to damage/wear and tear and is currently closed.
- 2 Meetings have been held with Parish Councillors and SkatePark Users
- 1 Site Meeting held with Rampchild (Skatepark Designer/Specialist)
- Hard Copy and Online User Surveys Carried Out
- Short Term and Long Term Actions to be Considered

Cllr Moore advised that Councillors had worked hard these past couple of weeks to engage with the SkatePark Users which include BMX, Skateboard and Scooter riders. The questionnaire results showed a preference for concrete ramps when long term plans are considered and that short term the volcano section could be removed to save on repair costs as it is rarely used.

**Resolved:** "no objection to the removal of the volcano section."

Cllr Moore would draft another letter to Radcliffe's Borough Councillor's regarding the lack of RBC investment for Leisure Provision in the village. The SkatePark in particular is used by Borough wide residents.

Rampchild has provided a quotation for repair work at the SkatePark at £7,620 + VAT. However the quotation did not provide enough detail to make an informed decision.

**Resolved:** "To delay making a decision on additional expenditure for SkatePark repairs until both expert advice on what the proposed costs cover and more information is obtained as a matter of urgency."

The Clerk was also tasked with making enquiries with concrete ramp suppliers.

6. **Date of Next Meeting**  
03 October 2016

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 8.05pm  
Recording to cease

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

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