

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of
Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council held in The Radcliffe Room, The Grange,
On Monday 10 April 2017 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(A)	Martin Culshaw	Pam Thompson
Bill Banner	Gillian Dunn	John Thorn
David Barton (Vice Chairman)	Graham Leigh-Browne(A)	Alice Tomlinson(A)

Also present: Mrs Jacque Earp (Acting Clerk), RBC Cllr Roger Upton, Cllr Kay Cutts Nottinghamshire County Councillor, and one member of the public.

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 for Absence:** Cllrs: Graham Leigh-Browne, Alice Tomlinson and Joe Bailey – Approved. RBC Cllrs Neil Clarke and Jean Smith did not attend due to a RBC Group meeting.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
None Received
3. **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 13 February 2017, for Approval**
It was **Resolved:** “That the minutes were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.”
4. **Chairman’s Announcements**
The Chairman was recently invited to a National Signing Choir competition at the Albert Hall in Nottingham. It was a fabulous evening, everybody enjoyed themselves. The PC were very proud the Radcliffe on Trent Signing choir represented Nottinghamshire and came 4th out of fourteen choirs.
5. **Clerks Report on Previous Minutes**
M.6 Bingham Road Playing Fields
Ongoing. Cllr Thompson provided an update as Cllr Thorn was not available at the last Amenities meeting. Cllr Thompson confirmed that ROTSA had already met with South Notts Academy and was hoping for a response before the next meeting on the 18th April. It was felt that the PC should still go ahead and meet independently with the Redhill Academy Trust.
6. **M.14 Grange Hall Boiler & Hot Water System**
An order has now been placed with the preferred contractor. The ‘Schedule of works’ dates will be arranged in due course.
7. **M.20 Village Economic Masterplan**
There will be a display of the Consultation results at the Annual Parish Meeting on the 19th April.
8. **M.20 Long Service Award: Cllr Leigh-Browne**
It was confirmed that Cllr Leigh-Browne had already received a long service award (35 years) at the NALC AGM in November 2015.

9. **Open Session for members of the public to Raise Matters of Council Business, Limited to 15 Minutes**
No issues were raised.
10. **Police Crime Statistics February 2017**
Noted. Cllr Clegg suggested there should be other preventative information available for residents as well as the Police Crime Statistics on the PC website. It was confirmed Neighbourhood Watch information is on the website, and it was also agreed any future information should include and emphasise how safe Radcliffe on Trent is.
11. **Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meetings held on 27 February and 03 April 2017 for Acceptance**
Noted and discussed.
It was: **Resolved** "that both sets of minutes were accepted and referred back to committee."
12. **Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meetings held on 06 March and 27 March 2017 for Acceptance**
Noted and discussed. Cllr Culshaw noted that in both meetings there had been PC comments regarding the Local Plan, the Green belt and the Community Infrastructure. These comments were brought, discussed and approved at Consultation level.
It was: **Resolved** "that both sets of minutes were accepted and referred back to committee."
13. **Minutes of The Grange & Grange Hall Management Committee Meeting held on 13 March 2017 for Acceptance**
Noted and discussed. Cllr Clegg noted the schedule of works for the new boiler and hot water system at the Grange Hall was still to be arranged.
It was: **Resolved** "that the minutes were accepted and referred back to committee."
14. **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 20 March 2017 for Acceptance**
Noted and discussed. Cllr Spencer confirmed the F&GP Committee had been prudent and correct for allocating funds into reserves as the reserves had been used for a number of unexpected items. It was: **Resolved**: "That the minutes were accepted and referred back to committee."
15. **Councillor Surgeries: To Consider Continuation and Format**
Discussed. The Chairman confirmed that although the current Cllrs Surgeries are not particularly well attended, they are still necessary. N.C.C and RBC Cllrs are in agreement to combine their Surgeries with the PC. It was agreed a total of only three Cllrs at any one time was needed and that a private area is still required; the Grange being the most suitable place. It was also agreed better and longer advertising is required at Grange Hall. Publicity to be placed in local businesses, Newsletter, Library and via Social Media. It was also agreed there would be four annual Surgeries. It was noted the PC Office has always had an 'open door policy to the public and the Surgeries are an additional service for residents wishing to speak in private. It was also suggested that a new banner be made to advertise Cllrs Surgeries that can be used each time, wording to be considered.
It was **Resolved**: "It was agreed that Cllrs Surgeries be held at The Grange four times a year, consisting of one N.C.C Cllr, one RBC Cllr and one PC Cllr, Police to attend if they wish. More information and better advertising to be available particularly through Social Media."
16. **Correspondence: Radcliffe Bowls Club Invitation to Open Day**
Noted and discussed. The Radcliffe Bowls Club has invited Cllrs to attend the two Open Days, one in May and one in June. Cllr Dave Astill and Cllr Penny Astill volunteered to attend the Open Day in June, 6-8pm and report back to the next Full Council Committee meeting.

17. Councillors Reports

- Cllr Culshaw reported the new pedestrian crossing at Shelford Road promised by the end of this financial year is yet to be installed. There had also been a survey carried out on Main Road to the west of the roundabout and on Hunts Close for a crossing. It was found Hunts Close would not meet the criteria for a new crossing and the need for a Main Road was ambiguous. Main Road however, may go on the priority list for a new crossing in the future.
- Cllr Penny Astill confirmed that South Notts Academy have not enabled the PC to have representation on the Board of Governors. Cllr Thompson confirmed a response from the School had not been forthcoming, but they had been asked to provide details of a representative in time for the AGM. A reminder will be sent via Cllr Thompson & Cllr Astill.
- Cllr Dunn confirmed that a litter pick has been arranged for Saturday 3rd June, just prior to the 'Best Kept Village Competition' judging dates.
- Cllr Spencer confirmed that although she did not attend the last Amenities Committee meeting, she was happy to report on the progress of the new Leisure Hub. It is very pleasing in the direction it is going in. There is a lot of enthusiasm from people, Giles Ward is on the Working Group Committee and is very helpful on behalf of the Scouts. Everything is very positive, and with help the Leisure Hub will be a massive asset for the village.
- Cllr Agar confirmed news on the Neighbourhood Plan, which is deferred until Cllr Upton's report later in the Agenda.
- Cllr Thompson confirmed a resident was asking about a problem on the corner of Newstead Avenue and Wakefield Avenue. Residents' hedges are hanging hugely over the pavement at this point, the grass verges seem to have grown onto the pavement and so when the hedges do grow, people cannot actually go onto the pavement. Residents are confused as to who owns the grass i.e. RBC or N.C.C as they see both in that area. Cllr Thompson has had a look herself and it is incredibly narrow now, before the hedges have grown. The Chairman asked Cllr Thompson to report the actual address to the PC Office, for a letter to be sent to address this problem in the first instance.
- Cllr Barton provided a report to the last Amenities Committee meeting concerning the commemorations regarding the death of William Rockley and the opening of the Rockley Park. A scrapbook from the Rockley family has been given to the PC containing all the press cuttings and articles from National newspapers at the time. The emphasis was very much on the opening up and making public the Cliffs and Cliff Top, as at the time the park was fairly basic and just clear ground. A further meeting with the U3a WW1 Group has taken place to discuss details for the event at the park in October, and the format of the event at Grange Hall on the same day. Good progress has been made and it is hoped it will be a moving and significant event for all, along with the picnic in the park in June.

18. Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllr Kay Cutts provided the following report:

- All Cllrs are aware the current Administration is now coming to an end. This was indicated at the last NCC Full Council meeting, so is currently quiet at County Hall.
- Attended the Signing Choir event at the Albert Hall. It was the first national one and the evening was excellent. There were people there from as far away as Liverpool and London, and all taking part around the country. The choir sing and somebody 'signs' to the words they are singing, so it works for both parties. Children also took part and there was two separate competitions, one for juniors and one for seniors. Drama comes into it, and it was a really fascinating evening.
- The Parish Council dinner was a fantastic evening and jolly event. The big square table was a good idea and was a lovely evening bringing everyone together. Hopefully this will be a tradition that can be carried on in the future.
- Invited to a Civic Reception on Friday for the Zhejiang Province who have come to Nottingham in friendship and to trade from China. The Nottingham Universities

were represented, the High Sheriff and the Lord Lieutenant also attended in their uniforms wearing swords.

- Keeps in contact with the Crime Statistics with David Griffin from Neighbourhood Watch providing updates. There was an Evening Post warning article last week, regarding a Radcliffe wheelchair user asking residents to go into shops to buy him alcohol. The police are aware of this and PC Cllrs are also aware and saddened about this situation.
- Been invited to meet the new Vicar of St Marys of Radcliffe and the St Pauls in Shelford on the 18th April. Radcliffe has missed having a Vicar and the previous vicar, Graham Anderson was a big part of the village. It is hoped the new vicar will be as proactive as Graham and join together young and old parishioners.
- Has had a wonderful time being the County Cllr for the PC, hoped to be re-elected, but will have to wait and see at the local elections. It is a job worth doing and Radcliffe is a lovely PC to work with. Enjoyed attending PC meetings knowing that issues are discussed openly, factually and in a friendly fashion. Thanks go to the PC for this.

Cllr Roger Upton then provided the following report:

- Echo's the comments made by Cllr Cutts regarding the PC dinner, agreed it was excellent.
- Regarding the invitation to the Church's interviews for the new Vicar, had to decline the invitation along with RBC Cllr Neil Clarke as both have a long standing engagements that cannot be broken. Cllr Jean Smith will hopefully attend instead.
- Has spent a lot of time with the Clerk doing a factual check of the Examiners Report of the Neighbourhood Plan. Information has been sent to the Steering Committee and all Cllrs. Cllrs are advised to read the detailed report alongside the Neighbourhood Plan. A meeting will be held by the Steering Committee on Wednesday 26th April at The Grange as Phil Marshall is available on that day. Whatever is said at this time goes back to the RBC who can legally make comments back to the external examiners. This is therefore an opportunity for the Steering Group to make its final comments. There is a strong possibility that a referendum will be organised by RBC for June or July.
- There has been a Planning Peer Review carried out by other authorities in the country of the Planning Committees. It is suggested the public should have the right to speak at the committees, having a reasonable amount of allowed time to speak.
- After a public survey, the RBC Car Parking payment machines at West Bridgford have been replaced with new ones that are easier to use and less expensive per hour than the previous fees.
- The Civic Centre has been sold and the new Arena Offices are working well.
- The Aparthotel, more commonly known as Bridgford Hall is nearing completion. The apartments will be top class to use for people attending a wedding or staying in in the West Bridgford location.
- The industrial units at Cotgrave are on site, due to completed in July and the town centre has just received another 1.2 million from the Local Enterprise Partnership
- The RBC Mayor's Charity Lunch will be held at Ashmore's restaurant in the village on Sunday 30th April in aid of Maggie's Charity. All are welcome.

The Chairman then confirmed that she would be representing the PC when meeting the new Vicar on the 18th April. PC Cllrs were then invited to ask questions:

- Cllr Spencer is aware the Natwest Bank is closing in Bingham, and asked if any representations had gone forward. Cllr Upton confirmed no representations had been made as it appeared to be a 'fate accompli' decision taken by the Bank.
- Cllr Thompson asked if there was a time scale regarding the public being allowed to speak at Planning Meetings. Cllr Upton confirmed this was unlikely to happen until after May 5th, sometime in the summer.

19. Reports from Outside Organisations

Cllr Clegg will be at meeting on Tuesday 25th April held by the Residents Association. There will be Speakers at the meeting who will be standing for the local elections.

20. Date of Next Full Council Meeting (ACM)

15 May 2017

Before the close of the meeting the Chairman requested that as many PC Cllrs are available to attend the APM at Grange Hall on Wednesday 19th April 17.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50pm

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