

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council
Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee (Extra-ordinary) Meeting held in the Radcliffe Room,
The Grange, on Monday 17 July 2017
at 6.00pm

Councillors

Martin Culshaw (Chairman)	Keith Agar (Vice Chairman)	Penny Astill
Joe Bailey (AB)	Rod Brears	Graham Budworth
Sue Clegg	Gillian Dunn	Graham Leigh-Browne (A)
	Pam Thompson (A)	Jean Robinson

Ex-Officio: David Barton (PC Chairman) and Georgia Moore (PC Vice Chairman)(A)

Also present: Sally Horn (Acting Parish Clerk) RBC Cllr Roger Upton, and 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence
Cllrs Georgia Moore, Graham Leigh Browne and Pam Thompson - Approved.
2. Declaration of Interest
Cllr Martin Culshaw declared an interest in 20 Thomas Avenue.
3. Chairman's Announcements
Cllr Martin Culshaw announced that the Council had received notification from VIA of a proposed pedestrian crossing at the east end of Main Road. Comments are required by 4 August so it will be discussed at the next planning meeting on 31 July but councillors were asked to use the next 2 weeks to review the proposal and gauge residents opinions. The meeting was very positive in its response to the news. The possibility of a 20mph zone between the two crossings on Main Road was suggested by Cllr Sue Clegg
4. Open Session for members of the public to raise relevant matters, limited to 15 minutes

Standing orders were suspended at 6.11 pm

- Mrs Metcalf drew attention to various points in the letter she had submitted to the Borough and Parish Councils.
- Cllr Upton reported on the new arrangement for Planning meetings at RBC which includes an opportunity for contributions by the public, councils and ward councillors. He said that he felt it is a positive step but pointed out that no ward councillors have a vote on plans in their ward.
- Cllr Upton had used this new system to oppose the planned development of 20 Thomas Avenue but reported that it had been approved by the committee.

Standing orders resumed at 6.18pm

5. Recent Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions as per the attached list
Noted – As outlined on the attached list.

Cllr Keith Agar commented that when the Parish Council objects to a planned development there is usually nothing more than a few brief comments to support the objection despite the committee expressing various objections with many being strongly held views. He suggested that the Council should submit a fuller response to accompany objections. He noted that other councils usually support their opinions with fuller explanations.

It was resolved that in future the Council would support Objections with detailed reasons and that Cllrs Culshaw and Agar would prepare the submission based on the committees views expressed in the meeting.

6. Planning Applications as per the attached list

Resolved: "The applications received were reviewed and the decisions taken as outlined on the attached document."

8 Golf Road. It was noted that these were revised plans with the main change appearing to be that the extension had moved forward and that the council had objected to the initial plans. It was agreed that it would have an adverse impact on Mrs Metcalf's property which seem to be greater than the initial plans. The main reasons for this was over-shadowing of number 6, the proximity of the proposed building line to the boundary, the need for access via number 6 during construction and over intense development. The Council voted unanimously to Object.

59 Bingham Road. The Council voted Do not Object with 8 votes and 1 abstention.

20 Thomas Avenue. Cllr Culshaw left the room. The council had objected to the plans in June and the amendments were minor being a change in roof tile and colour. There was a lengthy report by the Borough which mentioned the Neighbourhood Plan. The comments on this are reported below. Cllr Dunn requested that the minutes note that the Borough report was inaccurate. The Council voted unanimously to Object as none of the issues objected to previously had been changed.

47 Cliff Way. The Council voted unanimously to Do Not Object.

16 Hunt Close. The Council voted unanimously to Do Not Object.

Neighbourhood Plan Discussion

It was noted that the Borough report on 20 Thomas Avenue included reference to the NP in paragraph 33 and this implied that infills counted towards the 400 units that are included in the NP. Cllr Upton confirmed that this is incorrect and reported that he had had email communication about this with Simon Mapletoff. Cllr Upton offered to forward the email and Mr Mapletoff's response to the Council office for circulation to members.

It was noted that the Council is responsible for promoting the referendum on the NP on 19th October and that the Council, and thus councillors, must not express any opinions on it.

It was agreed that all members of the planning committee should have a copy of the NP and should re-read it to assess future plans in the light of the plan.

A copy of the plan should be on the Council website as soon as possible and a stock of bound copies of the plan available for the public as part of the preparation for the referendum.

It was agreed that the Neighbourhood Plan be an agenda item for 31 July.

7. Correspondence -

Mr Pegram's Letter and Guide to speaking at RBC Planning Committee

The letter was noted and Cllr Upton had spoken about how it had operated in practise in the open session.

8. Councillors Reports

Deferred to Amenities as that meeting should have started.

9. Date of Next Meeting

Planning & Environment Meeting confirmed as Monday 31 July 2017.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.04pm