Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council held in The Radcliffe Room, The Grange, on Monday 16 April 2018 at 7.00pm

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

Also present: Mrs Jacki Grice (Clerk) Mrs Jacquie Earp (Admin Assistant) RBC Cllr Jean Smith, RBC Cllr Neil Clarke, NCC Cllr Kay Cutts and no members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Pam Thompson, Cllr Josephine Spencer, Cllr Keith Agar, Cllr Graham Leigh-Browne – Approved.

2. Declarations of Interest

None received.

3. Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 12 February 2018, for Approval

Resolved: "That the minutes are approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman"

4. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reminded the Cllrs of the Annual Parish Meeting due to take place in 2 days' time at The Grange Hall. It was hoped that all Cllrs could arrive by 6.15pm in the Trent Room to meet this year's Civic Award Winners and other invited guests attending the meeting.

There are two Planning Training events planned for this Thursday 19th April organised by RBC at Bingham T.C. and for the 20th June at Shelford PC, organised by NALC. It is important for PC members of the Planning & Environment Committee to attend the training sessions as Planning is changing, and the training is therefore crucial for members to have an informed understanding of the procedures.

Nomination forms are now available for all Cllrs to complete for the next Committee Chairman's and Vice Chairman's Membership.

5. <u>Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes</u>

M.5: The Quality Status Award will be presented to the Clerk and Chairman at the Annual Parish Meeting by Cllr Bernie Briggs of NALC.

M.5: There is still no update from NALC regarding the appointment of a Data Protection Officer, however there may be a local option to look into as NALC cannot go any further forward.

M.5: Thank you to the three Borough Councillors for their contribution of £1,100 towards the new Skate Park redevelopment.

M.6: The PC asked RBC why a meeting would not be arranged with the Stakeholders regarding the Train Franchise. The RBC confirmed that as the tender process was underway, they didn't feel it was appropriate to get involved at this stage.

M.19: The PC has ordered 20 Lamppost Poppies for the Main Road for Remembrance Sunday in November. The History Society has concerns that the PC Poppies may take away impact from their wreath displays, however it has been agreed that the PC will not place a poppy on lampposts the Society will be using, and will try and work together.

6. <u>Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business, Limited to 15 Minutes</u> There were no members of the public

7. <u>Police Crime Statistics January & February 2018</u> Noted and accepted.

8. <u>Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meetings held on 05 March and 26 March 2018 for</u> <u>Acceptance</u>

Cllr Culshaw raised amendments that will be considered at the next Planning & Environment Committee meeting. **Resolved:** "That both sets of minutes are accepted and referred back to committee."

- 9. <u>Minutes of The Grange & Grange Hall Management Committee Meeting held on 12 March 2018 for Acceptance</u> Resolved: "That the minutes are accepted and referred back to committee"
- 10. <u>Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 19 March 2018 for Acceptance</u> Resolved: "That the minutes are accepted and referred back to committee"
- 11. <u>Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meetings held on the 26 February and 09 April 2018 for Acceptance</u> Resolved: "That both sets of minutes are accepted and referred back to committee".
- 12. <u>Parish, Borough & County Councillor Surgeries To Consider New Format</u> Noted and discussed. It was noted that the Surgeries should be advertised more and be featured in the PC Newsletter. It was **Resolved:** "That the new format for Parish, Borough and County Councillor Surgeries (prior to Full Council meetings by appointment) was accepted."

13. <u>To Consider the Events Working Group Recommendation: To Cancel Christmas Coffee Morning and Continue</u> <u>With Invited Guests to Meet with ClIrs Prior to December Full Council Meeting</u>

The Events Working Group looked at how worthwhile the public Pre-Christmas Coffee Saturday Morning had been, and it was agreed the Coffee Morning hadn't worked out with public attendance being very poor, with Cllrs often outnumbering Radcliffe residents. The Events Working Group therefore suggested this event should not be held this year, but to continue with the more successful and well attended Reception that is held before the last Full Council meeting before Christmas. Cllrs noted it was important to engage with residents, but after a fair run this had not worked. It was **Resolved:** "To discontinue the Public Pre-Christmas Saturday Coffee Morning, however to continue with invited guests of key community members to meet with Cllrs prior to December Full Council Meeting."

14. Radcliffe Growth Board: To Note the Minutes of Meeting Held 08 March 2018

Noted and discussed. The PC was disappointed at the response received from NCC Highways regarding the proposals for the Main Road, to include traffic flow/nature of traffic, new paving street furniture and lighting. All four options were turned down and it was disappointing that a NCC Representative would not able to return to future meetings to review again the options provided. Cllrs agreed that perhaps the timing was wrong to look at changing the traffic flow, however they would continue to pursue their ideas for a reinvigorated Village Centre in the future.

15. SkatePark Redevelopment: Pledges of Financial or Material Support: To Consider

Noted and considered. There has been grants made towards the SkatePark redevelopment and there are other bids pending and two offers from private businesses. Cllr Tomlinson also noted that the SkatePark Committee had discussed this issue and appreciate a letter received from RBC that provides the PC with clear written guidance on how to accept any pledges of financial or material support from local businesses towards the redevelopment of the new SkatePark.

It was **Resolved**: "To accept the offers from Samworth Farms/Chetwode Foundation of £20,000 and John A Stephens of £10,000 (materials and plant) for the SkatePark redevelopment on the basis that the offers are unconditional and the donors will not receive any preferential treatment from the Parish Council in return for the funding or support. (for example when considering planning applications.) Any future funding pledges of the same nature will be considered on the same basis."

16. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

17. Councillors and Outside Organisations Reports

There were no Councillors reports.

18. <u>Reports from Borough and County Councillors</u> NCC Cllr Kay Cutts:

- The roads across Nottinghamshire have a considerable amount of potholes. Complaints have been received that the potholes are breaking up again once they have been filled, however this is probably not the case as the material used sets harder than the road itself. On a new fill, there would be fine cracks around it as the road surface starts to break up again around the pothole, so clearly road surfacing is required. This cannot be done all at once so patching will continue to be done. Eventually all potholes will be filled, with Trunk Roads being the most important areas, then the A,B, and C roads, then non-classified roads. The A & B roads feeding to the trunks roads are also of strategic importance. All potholes can be reported on the NCC website. Roads and pavements are inspected every quarter, defects are noted for general maintenance across the whole of the County. It has also been particularly bad year for the roads due to the recent snow and rain.
- NCC Officers cannot be supplied to every small meeting, as there is not enough personnel to cover them. However is happy to receive comments from Cllrs, and believed the comments provided from the NCC were fair with regard to the Main Road Feasibilty Study, and believes if the Village Centre is going to keep working it should be accepted there will be traffic running through the centre to carparks. There is a different mood in the Village and new housing in the village will help, with people contributing to the local shops. If there are fewer houses, there will be fewer shops, and people will shop elsewhere which will be a disaster for Radcliffe. Agreed the Health Centre should be persuaded to remain in the centre of the village if possible, as people are worried they will have to walk up to the top of Shelford Road to a new facility.
- Cllr Budworth alerted NCC Highways to the delivery of new mobile homes to the Park Homes site at the bottom
 of Wharf Lane. The road was closed off in order to deliver the new homes, however half of Wharf Lane and half
 of Main Street was closed for the delivery. This was looked into by the NCC and discussed with Highways and
 it was confirmed there was no derestriction over this. Cllr Cutts was grateful to Cllr Budworth however for his
 notification on this issue.
- The NCC has been considering the effect on its services if there was to be a cyber-attack. There is widespread concern on the news about computer hacking, therefore an Emergency Plan is now in place as is it is increasingly going to be the type of occurrence that will happen to Councils.
- Met with the Nottinghamshire Police Chief Constable last week, who is going to try and bring back more Neighbourhood Policing with more Police Officers. Cllr Cutts was reassured by the Chief Constable that he understands the effect crime has and that he is concerned about current Neighbourhood Policing.
- The Cycling Tour of Britain is back this year, the City Centre, Mansfield, Newark and Rushcliffe is included on the route. Last time the event was held, it was worth 5 million pounds to the Nottinghamshire economy.
- Following the snowfalls the side roads were gritted in Radcliffe. The PC should consider a Community
 Resilience Plan as to how this adverse weather should be dealt with again. It was noted a group of elderly
 Radcliffe Residents couldn't use their cars for three days as they were blocked in by snow, and hospital
 appointments were affected. The grit box had been left open and there was snow on the top, so the boxes
 should be strategically placed and filled with grit. Neighbourly help for the elderly and a PC Emergency Plan
 would therefore be helpful, and CIIr Cutts will provide help to formulate this.
- NCC has agreed with the City Council to contribute £100,000 each, and £10,000 for the District Council for a memorial to commemorate the end of War at Trent Embankment. It is hoped that it will be started this year, but will not be completed until next year with 14,000 names of the fallen to be included on the memorial.
- Managed to secure funding for a new Special School in Newark. The children are currently split into old buildings, which will be replaced by the new building on the front of the site that retains the lovely playground.
- Attended a Duke of Edinburgh Awards ceremony on the 25th March at the Methodist Church. There was 30 recipients of the various levels, and it was a lovely evening.
- Went to the High Sheriff 'Installation Ceremony' which is the oldest civic role in the Country, where the Queen pricks a silver bodkin of the name next to the person of the High Sheriff. This was held at the Gallery in Nottingham.
- Went to the funeral of Elizabeth Brackenbury who lived at Holme Pierrepont Hall. Very sorry she has passed away, Elizabeth will be buried in the Churchyard near to the Hall.

• Cllr Cutts will contact Highways England on behalf of Cllr Dunn regarding the 3 lights that are not working on the A52 at the bottom of Hillside Road.

RBC Cllr Neil Clarke:

- Refers to the SkatePark Contributions and suggests the donators confirm that their contributions are unconditional. It is hoped that another two or three contractors will also be donating towards the new Skatepark.
- Cllr Upton sends his apologies as he is chairing the Local Plan Part 2 Working Group tonight. The Local Plan Part 2 will be going for final approval on the 26th April 18 to Full Council. All Cllrs are welcome to attend.
- Public speaking will very shortly not only be available at Planning Committees but also at Full Council and Cabinet meetings. Cllrs are advised to check the full rules should they wish to speak at any of these meetings.
- Noted it was a very good debate at the last Planning & Environment committee with regard to William Davis Shelford Road Development. All three RBC Cllrs have submitted their own Consultee comments via the RBC Planning website in addition to the considerable number of public comments. Several people have contacted Cllr Clarke about the Outline Planning Application, and he has found it heartening to have reasonable and constructive conversations with residents and their concerns about traffic and other issues such as the Health Centre, and Schools.
- As part of the local Plan there is a Green Belt Review. Trees should be replaced/planted and people are being
 encouraged to reduce the use of plastics, and for Local businesses to reduce single use plastics, as the RBC
 are reducing the number of plastic cups by returning to pottery cups and saucers.
- The Town and Parish Council Conference is on the 2nd May 18, as many as possible Cllrs are encouraged to attend the Conference.

RBC Cllr Jean Smith

• Refers to tonight's joint Cllr Surgery, and noted that nobody came at 6pm. Rather than waste an hour, can Cllrs be notified if no appointments have been made? The Clerk confirmed that Cllrs should not attend unless they have been notified that an appointment has been made.

19. Date of Next Full Council Meeting - 15 May 2018 (Annual Council Meeting)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.53pm

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