Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council held in The Radcliffe Room, The Grange, on Monday 10 December 2018 at 7.00pm

Councillors

Keith Agar Rodney Brears Georgia Moore (Vice Chairman)

David AstillGraham BudworthJean RobinsonPenny AstillSue CleggJosephine SpencerJoe Bailey (A)Martin CulshawPam Thompson (A)Bill BannerGillian Dunn (A)John ThornDavid Barton (Chairman)Graham Leigh-BrowneAlice Tomlinson

Also present: Mrs Jacki Grice (Clerk), Jacquie Earp (Admin Assistant) RBC Cllr Neil Clarke, RBC Cllr Roger Upton, RBC Cllr

Jean Smith and two members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Gillian Dunn, Joe Bailey and Pam Thompson - Approved. The Chairman also welcomed RBC Cllr Roger Upton, RBC Cllr Neil Clarke and RBC Cllr Jean Smith to tonight's meeting. NCC Cllr Kay Cutts could not attend due to other commitments and sent her apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest

None received.

3. Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 22 October 2018 for Approval

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

4. Chairman's Announcements

• The Tender Contract for the new Radcliffe Skatepark is being published tomorrow. This is an important step in the process of replacing the old worn wooden Skatepark with a brand new concrete one. It has been a slow process with delays for various reasons: for example the substantial tendering document was only presented to the Clerk last Thursday for checking and this was done before the deadline. The Chairman thanked the Clerk on behalf all the Parish Council for the incredible amount of work spent on the tendering process.

5. Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes

M.4: Cllr Clegg represented the PC at the NCC Unitary Authority Status Meeting on the 23rd October 2018. M.13: Thanks to all 3 RBC Cllrs who have pledged £850 in total towards the Single Use Plastics Project.

- 6. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business, Limited to 15 Minutes
 There were no comments from members of the Public.
- 7. <u>Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 05 November 2018 and 03 December 2018, for Acceptance were presented by Cllr Martin Culshaw</u>

Resolved: "That the two sets of minutes are accepted and referred back to committee."

9. <u>Minutes of the Amenities Committee (inc. G.Hall) Meeting held on 19 November 2018 for Acceptance was presented by Cllr John Thorn</u>

Resolved: "That the minutes are accepted and referred back to committee"

11. To Confirm 2019 Meeting Schedule.

Noted and accepted. (It was previously resolved in October to trial a change in the Committee Format and Meetings Schedule for a period of 3 months).

12. Correspondence

The Land Agent Co. Wharf Lane Recreation Ground

Noted. The letter was considered and Cllrs decided not to respond.

13. Cllr K Cutts: Best Kept Village Competition

Cllr Cutts was delighted that Radcliffe had been recognised and had won overall in Notts in the 2018 Best Kept Village competition. Congratulations go to PC Groundstaff and the Volunteer Litter Pickers Group.

14. To Approve Nil Increase in Precept 2019/20 (detailed budget to be ratified 04 Feb 2019)

The deadline date to submit the Precept figures 2019/20 to RBC is 4th February 2019. This is also the same date as the next Full Council Meeting, therefore Full Council is requested to consider and make their decision tonight regarding a proposed nil increase and for the detailed budget to be ratified on the 4th February 2019. Resolved: "The PC approved the Nil Increase in Precept 2019/20, and will ratify the detailed budget on 04 Feb 2019."

15. <u>Councillors and Outside Organisations Reports</u>

- Cllr Culshaw with the support of Cllr Clegg and Cllr Budworth attended the RBC Local Plan Part 2 Examination meeting on the 4th December 2018 at The Arena. The Neighbourhood Plan was approved in October 2017 and as a consequence the LPP2 does not take this into account. The village will experience large changes over the next 10 years when potentially a total of 920 houses will be built at various sites. At the LPP2 meeting, the RBC Planning Inspector considered the Radcliffe Neighbourhood Plan, plus supporting PC comments. Cllr Culshaw also had the opportunity to speak in front of the Inspector and RBC Planners, and the following issues were addressed:
- The Planners reiterated Radcliffe needs a new school which can only be considered after 1000 houses are built. Cllr Culshaw then spoke to a representative of NCC Education Department and explained the existing two schools have ample room to expand, however the representative was unaware of this fact as advice had been taken from the RBC planners.
- Potential traffic issues were raised as underestimated as the last traffic assessment was carried out by William
 Davis 2013. In 2013 the traffic assessment concluded Shelford Road generated traffic in excess of what it was
 designed for. Although Cllr Culshaw was informed that another 2018 assessment had been carried out, this has
 not been forthcoming. This is urgent and needs to take into account the effect of additional housing required
 and to take into consideration the vehicle impact including Radcliffe, Newton East Bridgford and Bingham.
- The Planners praised the efficiency of the Radcliffe Mainline Bus Service and felt Radcliffe benefitted from the Mainline Bus service operating every 10 minutes, the infrequent subsidised Villager Bus service for residents up Shelford Road was brought to their attention.
- The Neighbourhood Plan was raised however it is not clear this is not adequately being taking into consideration when PC objections and comments are submitted. Cllr Culshaw also invited a representative from NCC to discuss availability of land at a PC Planning meeting at a future date.

Overall this was a difficult and disappointing experience, however the report will be on the agenda for full discussion at the next Planning meeting in January 2019. Cllr Culshaw also thanked Cllr Clegg and Cllr Budworth for their support at the meeting.

- Cllr Clegg attended the NCC Unitary Authority Status meeting at County Hall on the 23rd October on behalf of the Council. Although benefits were put forward, Cllr Clegg felt the meeting was ambiguous and was unconvinced, and unsure if there were any benefits at all. This was an information giving session and felt any onus would fall upon Councils.
- Cllr Barton attended a recent Local Growth Board meeting in Radcliffe, whereby important issues were
 discussed with Radcliffe Business Forum and the RBC Clinical Commissioning Group. Andrew Pegram and
 Michelle Dunn gave a presentation. Items discussed included the Pre Planning Application for the RSPCA site
 and the shift in balance for potentially 300 houses. The Shelford Road Bus service was also discussed and
 Andrew Pegram acknowledged the conflict between the Neighbourhood Plan and new Health Centre proposal
 and also confirmed the Health Centre at Shelford Road would be a 'last resort' option. Lyn Sharp from
 Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group spoke about the existing Health Centre financial constraints and

targets and it was confirmed that East Leake Health Centre is prioritised/at the top of the list for redevelopment. The three options for the future of the Radcliffe Health Centre are: 1) To remain where it is 2) To move to the top of Shelford Road 3) To centralise High Level facilities in one location i.e. Gamston, this Health Centre would cater for the residents of Radcliffe, Gamston and Edwalton. The third option will be totally unacceptable and impractical to the PC and it was envisaged there would be furious opposition to option 3 from the residents of Radcliffe.

16. Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Report from RBC Cllr Roger Upton:

Cllr Upton thanked Cllr Culshaw for his clear and purposeful presentation at the RBC Local Plan Part 2 Examination meeting on the 4th December. Referred to the 4 points raised by the PC at the meeting: the Health Centre and new School at top of Shelford Road, Traffic, and the Neighbourhood Plan. All three RBC Cllrs have consistently opposed the Health Centre and the School at the top of Shelford Road and will continue to do so, as they should not be there, but in the village centre as per the Neighbourhood Plan. Is disappointed at the comments made by the NCC relating to Education Provision. From his own personal examination of the Junior and Infant School there is ample capacity to expand the buildings. The Neighbourhood Plan is correct when it states that Health and Schooling should remain in the centre of the village. Is Chair of the West Bridgford Growth Board. All Growth Boards including Radcliffe, Bingham and East Leake are set up and accountable to the RBC and promote growth in that particular area, such as housing, employment, infrastructure and traffic. The Growth Board at Cotgrave has been very successful: being an ex-pit village rejuvenated with millions of pounds of public and private money, facilitated by the Growth Board and feels that the Radcliffe Growth Board can do the same. Following recommendations of the Neighbourhood Plan, the High Street could be rejuvenated and to make investment at the Railway Station. Radcliffe needs the Business Community to be represented, because they are the vitality of the village and need to be part of the debate as the High Street is under threat. Always disappointed by the NCC / A52 Highways England analysis of Transport. Still campaigning for an 'Eastern Relief Road' and proposes the junction at Holme House is linked up to the A46 to bypass the traffic out of Radcliffe as it splits the village in half.

Report from RBC Cllr Neil Clarke:

Cllr Clarke endorsed the comments made by Cllr Upton and praised Cllr Culshaw for his presentation. Will be speaking to the RBC Planning Officers as the NPPF states the Neighbourhood Plan still carries weight and has to be taken into consideration. In terms of sales of houses and their demand, developers will build houses when they know profits can be maximised and will wait till prices increase, thereby causing delays when buying 'off plan'. Originally plans for the housing at the RSPCA was for 300 houses, when 'employment land' allocation was included. It was then reduced to 150, and now there are plans again for 300 houses. Absolutely believes the Health Centre should remain in the village centre, and Planning Officers have shifted now their view point on this. Planners at first were adamant the Health Centre should be at the top of Shelford Road, now after RBC and PC representations to the planners the site is viewed as a 'last resort.' Is concerned that the traffic junctions feeding the 400 new houses and the subsequent houses on land at Grooms Cottage have not been thought through, and that there should be one properly integrated junction that feeds both developments and should not be treated as two separate planning applications. Believes Planning Officers should have an integrated overview of multiple applications. Set up the Growth Boards/CCG when RBC leader, and is answerable to RBC to help focus on growth and investment for each particular area. Within the Rushcliffe Local Plan there will be a 30% increase in population over 12 years which is substantial and demanding. Radcliffe approx. 10,000 population, Bingham 12,000 so the demand for Health Care will be increasing. Gamston will have 4,000 houses equating to 10,000 population so any Health Centre at Gamston would be used by that new population.

Report from NCC Cllr Kay Cutts:

• The Clerk will circulate Cllr Cutts Report to all members

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