

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council  
Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held in the Trent Room,  
The Grange Hall, on Monday 18 February 2019  
at 7.00pm

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

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

Also present: Jacki Grice (Parish Clerk) Jacquie Earp (Admin Assistant), RBC Cllr Roger Upton and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence  
Cllrs: Georgia Moore, Penny Astill, and Graham Leigh-Browne - Approved.
2. Declaration of Interest  
There were no declarations of interest.
3. Chairman's Announcements  
There were no Chairman's announcements
4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 07 January 2019 for approval  
It was Resolved: "That the minutes are approved and signed by the Chairman, save for the amendment at line 9 of M.7: There was an agreement from the PC, RBC and NCC, (not a unanimous vote)."
5. Clerks Report on items arising from these minutes  
M.17: A discussion for a new Radcliffe Bypass will be an agenda item at the Radcliffe Economic Growth Board on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019.
6. Open Session for members of the public to raise relevant matters, limited to 15 minutes  
Standing Orders suspended at 7.05pm

RBC Cllr Roger Upton raised the following matters:

- There are three street lights not working at the Saxondale Drive A52 Road Junction near to the bus stop. This is a Health and Safety issue for Upper Saxondale residents at night. Highways England have written and confirmed this a problem and have given a commitment to RBC to fix the faulty lamps.
- Although people have been complaining about the horse manure left on the new multi-user walkway between Radcliffe and Cotgrave, there is nothing that the RBC can do about this.
- Has applied for a new Bus Shelter for outside The Chestnuts Public House, and is awaiting confirmation about the land availability. People use this Bus Stop a lot and have said "why can't have an enclosed shelter on a snowy or wet and windy day?".
- The Screveton Travellers won their appeal re: a field they bought between Screveton and Flintham. A Government Inspector overruled the PC and RBC objections and then awarded all the costs be incurred to the RBC. This decision should be taken into consideration when discussing Planning Application 19/00219/VAR tonight.
- Shelford Road is closing from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019 so drivers will not be able to go up Shelford Road to Shelford and there will be a lengthy detour. There are a lot of angry Shelford Road residents and this issue has also been raised on East Midlands News tonight. The road is slipping down into the Trent Valley and now has to be reconstructed. Any questions to be referred to Cllr Kay Cutts at NCC Highways.

- There is a Community Infrastructure Levy meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at The Arena, all welcome. This will probably take a day and the Inspector will look at the CIL Policy. There has been several submissions from developers, the public and RBC Cllrs. This will be an interesting process which will be concluded one way or another.
- The RBC has received a letter from the Inspector regarding the Local Plan Part 2, this is also on the RBC website. The RBC wanted more mixed use land for the RSPCA site, however the original application has now been superseded with only one acre identified for business use and more housing for this site. A response will be drafted and Cllr Upton is meeting with Dave Mitchell next week. Is of the view that houses cannot keep being built, without some element of employment in Radcliffe.
- In Cllr Upton's opinion, both the CIL and Local Plan Part 2 will not be adopted before the Purdah Period and the 2<sup>nd</sup> May Local Election. The process will take longer, however it is hoped they will be adopted before the Autumn recess. The Neighbourhood Plan was partly relating to the CIL: whereby 25% is put back into the community for local projects. This will not now be retrospective. All large Planning Applications are being submitted by developers, however there will be no CIL money available in retrospect for all the new developments. This is annoying as has done his level best to keep the process moving forward.

Cllr Agar confirmed that one of the reasons the Neighbourhood Plan was done was for the opportunity to use the CIL and to influence planning applications. Asked Cllr Upton if he had seen examples of the Neighbourhood Plan being used. Cllr Upton is of the firm belief that the Neighbourhood Plan is still of worth and value, and is a legal tool in the Development Plan. Has seen it used many times for applications at Planning Committees for East Leake and also for Radcliffe.

Standing Orders reinstated at 7.13pm.

7. Recent Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions as per the attached list  
Noted.
8. Planning Applications as per the attached list  
It was Resolved: "The applications received were reviewed and the decisions taken as outlined on the attached document.
9. Subsequent Applications  
Resolved: "Three subsequent applications were reviewed and the decisions taken as outlined on the attached document."
10. Trains Working Group: Update and Letter

Update: Cllr Thompson attended a Trains Working Group meeting today. John McQuarrie from the D.F.T and Laura Etheridge from East Midlands Trains also attended. Disabled Access and improved lighting at Radcliffe Station has been previously raised and a decision regarding Disabled Access will be made in April at National Level. The improvements to lighting is being progressed, however there is currently no timescale for this to be done. The Franchise has been extended again for another six months to the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019 and there could be another six extended periods up to February 2020. It is hoped that further information regarding the new Franchise owner will be available at the beginning of April and confirmed by the end of April 2019. The message is clear that Radcliffe Train Station will not be getting an hourly service, so consideration will have to be made how to approach the new Franchise owners for future improvements. The East Midlands Council is one option and it is also requested that the Clerk write to all stakeholders involved in Stations from Nottingham to Grantham (Bingham and Bottesford stakeholders are already involved and coming to Working Group meetings). A May meeting is in the process of being arranged, so all Station Stakeholders need to be contacted now to attend.

The Chairman and Cllr Thompson then made a formal recommendation and it was Resolved: "That the new PC continue to support the Trains Working Group as the process for improving the Rail Service and Station for Radcliffe is not complete and cannot change until the new Franchisee's are appointed by the DFT".

Letter: The Chairman thanked David Thornley, who is a member of the Trains Working Group for this letter as it sums up the current position of Radcliffe's Transport System very well. John McQuarrie from the D.F.T supports Radcliffe for an improved service and encouraged the Trains Working Group to also get as much support as they can from different organisations such as the N.C.C and East Midlands Council. The Chairman and Cllrs strongly support the letter and its intentions.

11. RBC Planning Meetings – Report and Future Representation (Dates = 14/3, 11/4)  
The Chairman will attend the RBC Planning meeting on the 14/3/19, if there are significant Planning Applications for Radcliffe. The Clerk advised the Chairman to apply to RBC direct in order for him to speak on behalf of the PC as the proposed Stragglethorpe Cemetery is being considered.
12. A52 Improvements  
Lobbying Campaign Update (Cllr Agar)  
A Lobbying Campaign had been previously considered by the PC and was decided to lobby for a Radcliffe bypass due to the increasing traffic problems on the A52. Cllr Agar has been unable to provide an update for this meeting, due to other work commitments. He will however draft out the main points for the lobby campaign and forward them onto the Clerk and the Chairman for the Growth Board to consider.
13. Assets of Community Value  
To Note Expiry Dates and Consider Re-nominations  
Noted and reconsidered. It was noted that Bingham Road Playing Fields had already expired and that the Walkers Yard Car Park and Health Centre Car Park were due to expire in April 2019. It was Resolved: "The PC re-nominate Bingham Road Playing Fields, Walkers Yard Car Park and the Health Centre Car Park as Assets of Community Value."
14. Letter from RBC re The Horse Chestnut (Asset of Community Value)  
This letter is for information. The current owners are selling The Chestnuts, however the tenant's position will not be affected by the change of ownership.
15. Correspondence  
RBC: New Planning Procedures  
Noted and considered. All procedures in place are agreed and being followed save for "Reporting Comments to be summarised." The Cllrs do not agree their comments should summarised, because often the longer comments are in conjunction with the Radcliffe Neighbourhood Plan. The PC object in principle on this matter and therefore a letter will be forward to the RBC Planning Department for their response.
16. Letter from the RBC Chief Executive re: Neighbourhood Plan  
It was noted from the letter that if the Local Plan is conflicting and approved a day after The Neighbourhood Plan, then the Local Plan is the one that takes precedent. This is clearly the law. The Chairman asked for clarification of the RBC conflict between the Neighbourhood Plan policies and the Local Plan, and also if the Neighbourhood Plan were to be amended at what point would a Referendum be triggered? The Clerk will now contact Dave Mitchell at RBC for confirmation.
17. Letter from a Resident re: Bingham Road Parking  
Noted and discussed. As the PC cannot legally do anything about the issue, this letter will be acknowledged and forwarded onto Kendra Hourd at NCC Highways for reconsideration.

18. Councillors Reports

- Cllr Dunn asked the Clerk if any information had been submitted concerning the Best Kept Village Competition for 2019. The Clerk confirmed a sign had been installed in the Grange Grounds for 2018 and that the judging week is usually the first week in June. Any forthcoming information will be passed onto the new PC for consideration.
- Cllr Brears had noted that a motorcyclist had come up from Woodland Close and had been riding round Dewberry Hill. Cllr Brears asked Cllrs to consider placing a 'Kissing Gate' at Woodland Close if this continues to happen.
- Cllr Bailey confirmed that this week the Heras Fencing at the South Notts Academy School has come down after the lengthy rebuild of the Sports Hall.
- Cllr Barton confirmed the closing date for the Skatepark tenders is 12 midnight this Wednesday. The PC and Skatepark Group will consider the tender documents next week. Progress is being made and it is hoped the completion date will be early autumn this year.

19. Roadworks Bulletins

It was noted there will be total closure during the daytime at Shelford Road from the 4<sup>th</sup> until the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

20. Date of Next Meeting: 18 March 2019

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

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