

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council
Minutes of the Full Council Committee Meeting, inc Planning and Environment
held in the Grange Hall on Tuesday 21st September 2021 at 7pm

Cllr Oliver Bere	Cllr Irene Dovey	Cllr Tracy James arrived 7.05pm
Cllr Carol Chambers	Cllr Gillian Dunn	Cllr Anne McLeod
Cllr Harry Curtis	Cllr Diane Farthing	Cllr Shaun Moroney
Cllr Martin Davis	Cllr Lorraine Foster	Cllr Alice Tomlinson (A)
Cllr Matthew Douglas-Kirk	Cllr David Graham	Cllr Phil Thomas

Cllr Josephine Spencer (PC Chairman), Cllr Sue Clegg (PC Vice Chairman) (A)

Also present Jacki Grice (Parish Clerk), Jacquie Earp (Admin Assistant), NCC Cllr Roger Upton and RBC Cllr Abby Brennan (RBC Cllr Neil Clarke sent his apologies) Karen Green, Guiseppe Vassallo (Armed Forces Covenant Representative) and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Sue Clegg and Cllr Alice Tomlinson - Approved.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Chambers declared an interest in Planning Application 21/02591/FUL and did not take part in discussion or vote.

3. Minutes of the Full Council (inc Planning and Environment) Meeting for Approval held on the 17 August 2021

It was **Resolved**: "That the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman."

4. Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes/Amenities Meeting held on the 7th September 2021 for Acceptance

Cllr Bere proposed that an amendment be made to M.8: Radcooks (Community Kitchen) Grant Request, to include the words "Cllr Bere did discuss, however abstained from voting".

It was **Resolved**: That the minutes were approved as an accurate record save for the inclusion of the words 'Cllr Bere did discuss, however abstained from voting' and referred back to Committee."

5. Chairman's Announcements

- The Chairman welcomed Karen Green, the new Parish Clerk to tonight's meeting and hoped that she would be happy in her new role. Was also delighted that Jacki Grice had offered to stay on working for the PC on other projects for a set period.
- Was unhappy that Highways had put up road signs in the village without any consultation. Contacted the Highways representative for Radcliffe and attended a Highways Zoom presentation last night for an explanation. RBC and NCC were also totally unaware of Highways proposals. Confirmed it was totally inappropriate to display the village signs without consultation. Understood that Bingham Road would be inaccessible, however it will now only be accessible up to Bingham Road Playing Fields junction and no access from the A52 for at least 6 months. As there will be no traffic lights, is of the view it will be exceedingly dangerous for residents and drivers accessing the village using this junction. A temporary 30mph speed limit sign has also been placed at Cropwell Road. There will be another 'Teams' meeting tomorrow evening and 100 invites have been sent out. People who have been invited are encouraged to attend to raise their objections. The Chairman has also sent out a short statement via social media to Radcliffe Residents regarding this issue.

6. Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes

M.12: A bag of 50 bulbs had been received from RBC this week and will now be planted at Rockley Park.

7. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business, Limited to 15 Minutes

Standing Orders were suspended at 7.07pm

- A resident referred to the 'temporary 30mph signs' for Cropwell Road and confirmed drivers do not conform and exceed the speed limit. Requested additional traffic calming measures and temporary speed humps to force drivers to slow down. The Chairman confirmed the PC would pursue this matter in the near future with Highways England.
- NCC Cllr Upton referred to Agenda Item 11g 'AG Consultants'. This is a proposal from AG Consultants in response to RBC 'Call for Sites': review of the Local Plan Part 1, adopted in 2014. The Government had requested that all local authorities review Local Development Plans every 6 years, consequently a review is now due of housing across the strategic area of Greater Nottingham, which includes Rushcliffe, Nottingham City, Gedling, Erewash and Broxtowe. Detailed sites were also agreed in the Local Plan Part 2 in 2014. Cllr Upton is a representative for the 'Joint Planning Advisory Board' and there are two meetings planned for the 28th September and the 14th December 2021. The Development plan expires in 2028 and the current review refers to housing projections for 2038. This 'call for sites' has resulted in 40 sites submitted via landowners and developers for the strategic area, and includes one at 'Lamcote Village extension' (land south of the A52), originally known as 'Radcliffe South West' in the Local Plan Part 1 and AG Consultants have been appointed to promote it. In the Local Plan Part 2 'Land South of the A52 and Cropwell Road' was part of the greenbelt review across Rushcliffe Borough. Cllr Upton's task is to ensure that no more houses are built in Rushcliffe and that any new housing developments remain in the City of Nottingham. There is a duty to cooperate and this is being adhered to, however it is not acceptable that new houses from the city are built on Rushcliffe green belt land when there is available 'brown' land for development in Nottingham. All Borough Cllrs are opposed to any development in this part of Radcliffe Parish as it is greenbelt land and is not appropriate according to the Radcliffe Neighbourhood Plan. It was advised the PC should compile a careful well-constructed response letter, and rejects any more housing development taken from Nottingham City area to Radcliffe South West / Lamcote Village Extension.
- RBC Cllr Brennan was in full support of Cllr Upton and confirmed that Rushcliffe was already 5,000 houses over its current government allocation.

Standing orders re-instated at 7.15pm

8. Armed Forces Covenant To Consider: To Receive a Presentation from Guiseppe Vassallo

Guiseppe Vassallo introduced himself to Cllrs. He is an Armed Forces Veteran who has worked for Charnwood Borough Council since 2019 and attended tonight's meeting to speak about the Armed Forces Covenant. The discussion included:

- To consider supporting and signing the Armed Forces Covenant
- To nominate an Armed Forces Community Champion
- Charnwood BC is also in partnership with Rushcliffe BC and Melton BC
- Looking to the PC for help to improve access to advice for Veterans
- Consider the struggles of Veterans who do not have a support network after military service
- Veterans who have become institutionalised i.e., not having to pay bills, meals provided etc.
- Skills learnt (and not learnt) in the Armed Forces
- Consideration of The Armed Forces Covenant as it is a promise from the Nation ensuring that those who serve or have served in the armed Forces and their families are treated fairly
- Relocated Veterans who may find it difficult to obtain housing, a school for their children, or register for a GP and Health Services in the new area
- Consideration that after Military Service some Veterans are left with limbs lost, mental health problems and PTSD
- Not asking for special privileges: The Armed Forces Covenant was formed in recognition of disadvantaged veterans
- Legislation in place: It is a legal duty for Councils to pay due regard to those who have made the greatest sacrifices in Service

- Supporting Armed Forces Events: Armed Forces Day, Poppy Day Appeal, Cadets, Breakfast Clubs and Coffee Mornings
- There is training provided for the role of an Armed Forces Community Champion by a Project Manager.
- Training involved dealing with how to 'sign post' and respond to Veterans in the local area

Cllr Brennan confirmed that she is the Armed Forces Community Champion for RBC, and a point of contact who can support veterans is needed for the village. Confirmed there is a network of services which can be accessed across the three Boroughs in partnership.

It was **Resolved**: "That a member of the PC be appointed as an Armed Forces Community Champion."

It was also **Resolved**: "That PC Cllr Tracy James volunteered to become the Radcliffe Armed Forces Community Champion and will receive training from the Armed Forces Covenant as appropriate."

9. To Co-opt to Fill the Remaining Casual Vacancy

There are two candidates for the remaining PC Cllr casual vacancy. PC Standing Orders require that all Cllr seats are filled by a majority vote. Following tonight's secret ballot, a tie was declared for the two candidates. The PC Chairman then made a final casting vote and it was

Resolved: "The PC co-opted Ian Rhodes to the Radcliffe Parish Council by a majority vote."

10. Council Meeting Schedule 2022: To Consider Format & Frequency (Stand Alone Committee Meetings vs Joint / Preferred Day)

This item was discussed and considered and it was agreed that fortnightly meetings are working well for Cllrs and PC staff. The options are Monday nights or Tuesday nights in the Radcliffe Room or Tuesday nights in The Trent Room. It was agreed Tuesday nights were preferable and then

Resolved: "That the PC meetings will continue on Tuesday nights in The Trent Room."

11. Planning and Environment Applications: To Consider

21/02322/FUL – Mr J Pears – Trent View House, Upper Saxondale, NG12 2JL

Raise roof height: replacement of hip roof to gables, front dormer windows, velux to rear, fill height glazing to stairwell: removal of existing chimneys.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02125/FUL – Mr John Rycroft – 4 Orchard Close, NG12 2BN

Single storey side extension plus additional parking.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02402/FUL – Mr S Holland – Cliff Top Valley Road, NG12 1BB

Ground floor front front, side and rear extension, loft conversion with dormers and application of render to dwelling. New front access gate.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02470/FUL – Mr Pete Clarson – 59 Main Road, NG12 2BJ

Demolition of existing dwelling and the erection of building comprising 4no. Apartments and 3no. Dwellings.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
OBJ	11 FOR 3 AG	Over intensive, insufficient car parking

21/02419/FUL – Mr and Mrs Oughton – 84 Cropwell Road, NG12 2JG

Construction of two storey side extension. New entrance gates and water feature with associated landscaping.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02401/FUL – Mr and Mrs P Gordon - 12 Walnut Grove, NG12 2AD

Construction of single storey rear and side extensions. Alterations include application of vertical cladding.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02300/FUL – Mr Simon Court – 3 Harlequin Close, NG12 2HQ

Construction of front porch.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02494/FUL – Mr Gary Thomas – 28 Thomas Avenue, NG12 2HT

Proposed first floor bedroom and bathroom.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02459/TPO – Mr Tim Phillips – 69 Saxondale Drive, NG12 2JL

Trees: T1 (Willow Tree) – Crown lift and Crown reduction. T2-3 (Leylandi) 1 to be removed and 1 to be reduced in height.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	Refer to RBC Tree Officer

21/02561/FUL – Mr and Mrs Handley – 6 Cropwell Road, NG12 2FS

Construction of two storey side extension and single storey rear flat roofed extension. (Resubmission of 21/00719/FUL)

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	

21/02516/TPO – J Marriot – The Grooms Cottage, Shelford Road, NG12 1BA

Trees: T9 (silver Birch), T10 and T11 (Norway maple) Crown Raise to 4m and T13 (Rowan) Crown raise to 3 meters.

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	UNAN	Refer to Tree Officer

12. Notification Only (Not Consultation): Noted**21/02281/PAM – Mr P Oliver – 40A Bingham Road, NG12 2FU**

Application for Prior Approval for the Change of Use of first floor retail space to a C3 Apartment.

13. Subsequent Application**21/02591/FUL – Emma Punter – 1 School Bungalow, Glebe Lane, NG12 2FR**

Change of use from residential to classroom spaces. Including erection of single storey rear/side extension (resubmission of 21/01418/FUL).

PC Dec	Vote	Comments
DNO	12 For 2 Abs	

14. Rushcliffe Borough/County Council Planning Decisions (Noted)**21/01830/FUL – 16 Grandfield Avenue, NG12 1AL**

Demolish existing garage and conservatory: erection of a two-storey side extension with front dormer window: erection of a two-storey front extension: alterations to existing front dormer window: application of render and timber cladding to extensions and existing dwelling.

RBC Dec	PC Dec
GRANT PERMISSION	DNO

21/02022/FUL – Mr and Mrs Chris and Marion Smith – 90 Grantham Road, NG12 2HY

Convert garage to a study/guest bedroom and en-suite shower room. Clad part of the front façade (Over the area of the garage door opening) with timber weather boarding similar to the garage.

RBC Dec **PC Dec**
GRANT PERMISSION **DNO**

21/02058/FUL – Mr Ashley Fullard – 3 Hall Close, NG12 2BA

Erection of a first-floor side extension over existing garage, single storey rear extension. External alterations include application of render.

RBC Dec **PC Dec**
GRANT PERMISSION **DNO**

21/01821/FUL – Mark Randall – 20 Grandfield Avenue, NG12 1AL

Removal of existing dormer to bedroom. 2 and half storey side extension, single storey rear extension and replacement of existing extension roof.

RBC Dec **PC Dec**
GRANT PERMISSION **DNO**

15. To Consider Notes from the Carbon Clever Working Group Meeting Held 26.8.21

Noted. Cllr Thomas confirmed the Working Group meet on a regular basis and are looking for other Cllr volunteers to join. The notes update the PC with the current actions of the Working Group and allows Cllrs to make any comments and suggestions have been made to address the heating system in the Hall, which requires further discussion. **Resolved:** "The Carbon Clever Working Group Meeting Notes from the 26.8.21 were noted and accepted, subject to item 5 being re-discussed."

16. Budget Suggestions 22/23 to the Clerk/F&GP Chair by 27th September 2021 (Carbon Clever/Neighbourhood Plan etc.)

Noted. Cllrs were reminded to submit any written budget suggestions for 2022/23 to the Clerk or the F&GP Chair by Monday 27th September.

17. Roadworks Bulletin: Temporary Prohibitions – Glebe Lane – 18th October – 1st November

Noted. The road and pavements are due to be re-surfaced however there is no diversion possible as Glebe Lane is a 'dead end'. Glebe Lane will be closed between 7am and 5pm, so there will still be (limited) access. NCC Cllr Upton then confirmed The Green resurfacing had been delayed because a deeper 60ml surface material will now be used.

It was noted that residents at Glebe Lane had not been notified about the resurfacing works.

18. Highways England**To Consider Letter from Regional Director**

Noted. The PC are very unhappy that all objections and appeals made about the A52 roadworks over the last two years have been over-ruled and feel the works are totally unnecessary and a waste of tax payers' money. Accountability was raised and NCC Cllr Upton confirmed Highways England are now known as National Highways and are accountable to the Department of Transport in Whitehall, unelected and therefore not accountable to voters. Their objective is to increase the journey time for the flow of the traffic on the A52 by six minutes. The next junctions earmarked for 'improvement' are Stragglethorpe, Gamston, Wheatcroft, then Nottingham Knight Island. This will cost millions of pounds and disruption for the next few years.

19. To Note Public Information Event

Cllrs encouraged as many people as possible to attend the A52 Nottingham Junctions Public Information Event tomorrow evening to raise their concerns about the Bingham Road junction and Nottingham Junctions Scheme.

20. AG Consultants: Extending Radcliffe Email- To Consider Response

The Chairman has had a meeting with the Clerk and two RBC Cllrs to discuss and consider the response to be submitted from the PC to AG Consultants. The Chairman confirmed the PC will not engage with proposals or any suggestions of acceptance.

A letter has now been prepared and after further discussion and with the addition of 'and strongly object to your proposals and we cannot support it for a number of reasons' is as follows:

'The Parish Council has discussed your proposal and strongly object to your proposals and we cannot support it for a number of reasons, the most significant being that this land is not allocated for development in our Neighbourhood Plan: we consider it to be inappropriate development in open countryside in the Green Belt with no defensible boundaries: it is separated from the village centre by the busy A52 trunk road: and Radcliffe has already been allocated 1000+ new houses which is more than enough for our current infrastructure to cope with. Therefore, the Parish Council will not be engaging with you to promote this project.'

It was **Resolved**: "That the PC accept the response letter in its entirety and submit to AG Consultants."

21. **RBC Draft Affordable Housing Consultation: To Consider Response**

The RBC Draft Affordable Housing Consultation deadline has been extended until tomorrow. Various responses were discussed and noted and it was **Resolved**: "Cllr Mcleod will draft a response and send it to Cllrs tomorrow morning for approval, a final version will be submitted to RBC by the 22nd September."

22. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence

23. **Parish Councillors and Outside Organisations Reports**

- Cllr Douglas-Kirk was pleased the roadworks had finished on Bingham Road
- Cllr Thomas confirmed a resident at Chadwell Grove had not received RBC Planning notification regarding a house two doors away. In view of other instances of non-notification, requested that the PC write to RBC Planning to ensure relevant residents are informed of nearby planning applications.
- Cllr Graham confirmed he had received no RBC notification of a decision, having previously objected to a planning application in his neighbourhood. Also noted lamppost notices were not displayed at the time of planning application. *NCC Cllr Upton confirmed only notices are sent to adjoining properties, and only legal discretion for displaying lamppost notices.*
- The Chairman confirmed non-notification issues would be listed as a future agenda item for discussion and in the first instance the Clerk will confirm the processes currently used for RBC Planning notifications.
- Cllr Thomas also confirmed that the representatives of the Trains Working Group, including NCC Cllr Upton will have a meeting on Monday with D.F.T, Network Rail, and East Midlands Transport to start building a business case for improvements to the rail service. However, from December, trains will be reduced which will also be discussed.
- Cllr Dunn asked to note her apologies for the next Full Council (inc Planning and Environment) meeting.
- Cllr Mcleod is unhappy that she has 338 emails in her inbox that she is having difficulty placing into files within the PC email system. Refers this issue to the IT Working Group.
- Cllr Foster confirmed she still has alerts from people in the village willing to become a volunteer for 'Radcliffe to the Rescue' which is brilliant.
- Cllr Graham hoped Cllrs are happy with the Grange Grounds project process and confirmed the Heras fencing will be removed tomorrow. The Gazebo is also due to be erected on the 11th October. Also noted it is World Alzheimer's Day, and offered phone help and advice to anyone who may need it on this subject.
- Cllr Foster confirmed it is National Health Day at the end of November, which supports the Alzheimer's Society.
- Cllr Thomas also confirmed that today there was a new Memory Clinic at the Methodist Church Hall, and wished it all success. It proved to be very popular with mainly people from the village attending.

24. Reports from Borough and County Councillors

There were no reports from Borough and County Councillors.

25. Date of Next Full Council (inc Planning & Environment) Meeting – Tuesday 19 October 2021

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.32pm

Signed: ChairmanDate

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