



# Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes inclusive of Amenities meeting held at Grange Hall on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 7pm**

**In attendance:** Cllr Gillian Dunn F&GP Chairman, Cllr Alice Tomlinson Amenities Chairman  
Cllr Sue Clegg, Cllr Oliver Bere, Cllr Jo Spencer, Cllr David Graham, Cllr Matthew Douglas-Kirk, Cllr Anne McLoed,  
Cllr Ian Rhodes, Cllr Diane Farthing, Cllr Martin Davis, Cllr Harry Curtis, Cllr Carol Chambers, Cllr Irene Dovey, Cllr  
Tracy James, Cllr Shaun Moroney

**Also present:** NCC Cllr Roger Upton, RBC Cllr Abbey Brennan, Jacki Grice Parish Clerk, Sally Horn Accounts Clerk,  
Lisa Simpson Hall Manager, Karen Green Deputy Clerk

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Phil Thomas **Approved Unanimously**

**Cllrs Absent with no apology** Cllr Lorraine Foster

**2. Declarations of Interest** none

- 3. Chairman's Announcements** The welcome back Halloween event was a success, thank you to those involved.  
There has been several incidences of vandalism in the past week some of which is offensive graffiti. Perhaps there  
should be a campaign to parents to make sure they know where their children are. The vandalism of Parish Council  
property has been reported to Police  
The A52 improvement scheme will be removing the intruding tree on the far side of Bingham Road, this will be  
replaced by the planting of 7 trees on the Triangle  
Road crossings and traffic lights have been discussed with Highways England

**4. Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes/Amenities Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021**  
**Approved Unanimously**

- 5. Clerks Report on Previous Minutes** The tree stump that a resident wished to be made into a chair is now no longer to  
go ahead, as the tree wood is not sustainable

**6. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Relevant Matters, Limited to 15 Minutes-** none

### **Amenities**

- 7. Grange Hall Managers Report** the Hall is busy, there are only 2 Saturdays not booked for next year. Unfortunately, one  
of the Caretakers has retired. He was a big part of the hall and is being missed. The Chair thanked the Hall Manager  
along with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk for stepping in to help while the caretaker position is vacant. Committee are  
concerned that the position has not had any interest and that perhaps Council needs to look at the job description  
The Hall is currently running on 80% of a normal year
- 8. Events Update** at the last meeting the group discussed the film nights and future showings  
The Christmas lights event is in full flow and stalls, fair, choir and brass band have all been booked  
The next meeting will be 10<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm

9. **Community Group Exhibition Board in Hall Foyer Committee agreed to allow the use of the glass display cabinet in the entrance of Grange Hall to hold displays for local groups on a rolling basis**, meaning that groups can show the work they do to others and perhaps get more involved. The groups are to book the space through the Hall Manager  
**Approved Unanimously**
  
10. **Grounds Maintenance Working Group Recommendations from Meeting Held 18.10.21 (including Planters, Village & Gazebo Proposals)** Committee discussed the notes and proposals  
**Committee agreed that Rockley Park will now only have sustainable planting** to support the Councils Carbon Clean initiative. This means that perennials and annuals will be planted instead of bedding plants from now on  
**Approved Unanimously**  
The Gazebo concrete needs to be sealed as it is very dusty. Sealant is to be ordered under the ground maintenance budget  
**Committee discussed and agreed to set up a Town Centre working group**  
**Approved Unanimously**  
Committee discussed the Triangular planters which the Council wishes to place on the corners of the Gazebo in The Grange grounds. The Clerk has received a rough quote for the planters of £450 +VAT  
**Committee agreed to accept the proposal once a full specification has been obtained**  
**Approved Unanimously**  
**NCC Cllr Upton stated that he would be prepared to use his NCC grant to pay for the triangular planters, only on the condition** that the Parish Council agree to be responsible for the watering and weeding of planters that NCC wish to install on private land on the parade in front of the post office on Main Road  
**Committee agreed to watering and weeding of the planters on the Parade, supplied by NCC** and therefore NCC Cllr Upton is prepared to request funding for the planters in the Grange grounds  
**Approved 16 Agreed abstention 1**
  
11. **CCTV Grange Grounds: To Consider Change of Camera Angles** Committee discussed the need for CCTV and what it covers in the Grange grounds. **It was decided that the Clerk would obtain a quote for CCTV to cover the Hall, Grange and Gazebo more thoroughly and another to also include all of the blind spots in the grounds. Current CCTV will not be re-positioned**  
**Approved Unanimously**
  
12. **Alternative Memorials to Benches** suggestions included planting a rose Garden at the front of Rockley Park and installing a peace/remembrance garden to the rear  
**Committee agreed to form a working party led by Cllr Graham**  
**Approved Unanimously**
  
13. **Bleed Control Kits** Committee discussed the quote of £430 =VAT for 5 kits. NCC Cllr Upton stated that RBC Cllr Clarke may be able to support the purchase of the kits  
**Committee agreed to the purchase of 4 kits regardless of RBC funding**  
**Approved Unanimously**
  
14. **Wharf Lane Pavilion Building in Need of Maintenance: Working Group to determine extent of works (Note Lease Signing Pending with ROFC)** Committee agreed that the grounds maintenance working group should view the issues along with a representative from ROFC
  
15. **Hall/Grange and Cemetery Fees Review** Committee discussed the matter and agreed that 2 working parties should be set up to look at the pricing separately. **Cllr Clegg will lead the Hall group and the cemetery group will follow on from this**
  
16. **Control of Dogs Signage & Campaign** committee discussed the issue, it was suggested that Cllrs approach dog owners if they do not have them on the lead in designated areas. Committee have been sent the NCC link to the new dog order consultation for comments. Cllr Graham suggests that talking about dog orders for 20 mins is not productive
  
17. **Valley Road Litter Bin Missing (Replacement on Order) To Note -noted a replacement has been ordered**

18. **Correspondence: Radcooks Replacement Fridge/Freezer-** committee discussed and agreed that Radcooks could install a replacement fridge in the Grange kitchen, this will be subject to their proposal including use by other parties and the remaining of the fridge at the Grange if Radcooks cease. Radcooks are also required to be responsible for the removal and disposal of the existing fridge  
**Approved Agreed 14 Abstention 3**

Correspondence was noted from a resident at Rockley Park who is concerned about the recent vandalism  
 Committee notes the correspondence and understand the concerns. The matter has been reported to the police

### **Finance and General Purposes**

19. **Income/Expenditure Figures and Payments Sept 2021 noted**  
**Accepted Unanimously**

Cllr Tomlinson left the meeting

Committee agreed to suspend standing orders so that the meeting could continue past 9pm

20. **Finance and General Purposes Committee Actual vs Budget & Forecast @ 24.9.21**  
**Approved Unanimously**
21. **CCLA Property Fund: To Consider Further Investment** Accounts Clerk told the meeting about the fund and **Committee agreed to increase the current investment by £75000** as this money is currently bringing in no returns  
**Approved Unanimously**
22. **Draft Budget & Precept 2022/23: To Consider Recommendations from the Budget Working Group Committee** discussed and accepted the Draft Budget  
**Approved Unanimously**
23. **Notes & Recommendations from the I.T Working Group Meeting Held 27.10.21 (to follow)** Committee discussed the meeting and notes will be sent out shortly
24. **Social Media (Facebook) Admin Access Review ongoing to be reviewed at the next meeting**
25. **Remembrance Day Parade Update** the Church has taken on the insurance for this year's event so that it may go ahead as planned. Attendees will Muster in the Grange grounds
26. **Correspondence: Radcliffe on Trent Junior School: Thank you noted**
27. **Cllrs Reports** the Chair will be inviting Cllrs to a Dinner on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November for them and their partners  
 Cllr McLeod there has been conservation volunteers clearing an area at the Lily ponds to plant trees, the next meet will be 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am-12noon and 13<sup>th</sup> November 10am-12 noon  
 Cllr James has done the Training to be the Council Armed Forces Representative. They have recommended that she now make contact with the local British Legion Group  
 Cllr Bere reminded the committee that there is an upcoming CPR training session on 20<sup>th</sup> November 10am-12noon  
 Cllr Douglas-Kirk stated that the Halloween event was a success and that the use of Eventbrite has aided ticket sales  
*'The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 28 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960.'*
28. **To Accept the Minutes of the Personnel and Wages Sub Committee Meeting Held 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021- noted**
29. **Date of Next F&GP / Amenities Meeting: 30 November 2021 (Tuesday, Grange Hall)**  
**Meeting Closed 9.40pm**

I declare that the above is a true record of the meeting

Signed  
 Chair Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

Date