

## **Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council**

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Amenities Committee Meeting Tuesday 31st May 2022 at 7.00pm in The Grange

In attendance: Cllr Jo Spencer, Cllr Harry Curtis, Cllr Irene Dovey, Cllr Anne McLeod, Cllr Sue Clegg,

Cllr David Graham, Cllr Oliver Bere, Cllr Phil Thomas,

Also present: Karen Green (Clerk), and 1 member of the public.

## Minutes

## Meeting chaired by vice-chair of the committee Cllr David Graham

- 1. Apologies for Absence Cllr Alice Tomlinson (Chair), Cllr Shaun Moroney, Cllr Gillian Dunn, Cllr Martin Davis, Cllr Tracy James, Cllr Matthew Douglas-Kirk, Cllr Ian Rhodes Accepted
- 2. Declarations of Interest None
- 3. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business, Limited to 15 Minutes Standing orders suspended 7.11pm

Phil Taylor of the conservation group told the meeting that the mowing of the lily ponds and Dewberry hill footpaths need to be carried out early July and the grassland cut in September. **Clerk to liaise with NCC and Contractor.** The conservation group are hoping to be able to have the RBC brush cutter again this year

Standing orders re-instated 7.19pm

4. Proposal to Accept the Minutes Amenities meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Proposed Cllr Graham Seconded Cllr Spencer Agreed

**APPROVED** 

- 5. Chairman's Announcements The skatepark steps are still an issue. Grounds maintenance group and Chair of Council will meet at 12noon on 01.06.22 to discuss a way forward. Clerk to order signs to give notice of the steep steps
- **6. Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes** Rockley bungalow is not let and small works such as fixing the outside box are being completed. The vandalism at the Grange could be claimed on the insurance
- **7. Proposal to agree updated cemetery regulations** to include single person ownership and biodegradable caskets only

Proposed Cllr Spencer Seconded Cllr Clegg Agreed

**APPROVED** 

- 8. Grounds Maintenance working group update none
- **9. Proposal to install a fence behind the Wharf Lane Pavilion** Committee discussed the proposal and agreed that:

Proposal for Clerk to arrange a meeting with the neighbour to discuss the future ideas for both parties land and the boundary

**Proposed Cllr Thomas** 

**Seconded Cllr McLeod** 

**Agreed** 

**APPROVED** 

**10. Proposal to install spectator rails and mesh fencing on the Wharf Lane football pitch** Football club will supply and install using match funding

Proposal not to support the project in its current form but to state that other suggestions will be acceptable. This is due to the need for the space to stay open. Committee also wishes to congratulate the 1<sup>st</sup> Team on their promotion.

**Proposed Cllr Bere** 

**Seconded Cllr Spencer** 

Agreed

**APPROVED** 

11. Proposal to upgrade to lighting in Grange Hall this will be done all at the same time

**Proposed Cllr Spencer** 

Seconded Cllr McLeod

Agreed

**APPROVED** 

12. Proposal to have a community stall on the village Market in June or July

Committee thank the organisers for the invitation, unfortunately the Council is not in a position to stand on the market at present, but thank the organisers in giving community stalls to the village

13. Proposal to place a plaque in remembrance of lan McLean at the Cliff Top steps, which also states that he and other Ranger Scouts dug out the steps the plaque must be of a suitable size and the Clerk will liaise with the resident to have it sited correctly

**Proposed Cllr Clegg** 

**Seconded Cllr Spencer** 

**Agreed** 

**APPROVED** 

14. Proposal to hold the current St Marys church Communion table in The Grange with a book of remembrance/or Jubilee reflections

Committee agreed that the table is not suitable for the Grange but thanks the resident for their suggestion

15. Discuss and agree way forward for memorials such as bat or bird boxes, benches in Memorial Park /wall of remembrance

Proposal for the Grounds Maintenance working group to take on the discussions

**Proposed Cllr Graham** 

Seconded Cllr Spencer

Agreed

**APPROVED** 

16. Proposal to have an area at Memorial Park for the placing of stones or similar for residents to remember their dogs

Committee agreed that this was not something they could support as the council has a lot of resident's memorials and cannot start having pet memorials as well

17. Proposal to have no cycling signs reinstated on Cliff Path Clerk to look to the official categorisation of the path as it is part of the 'Trent Valley Way'

- 18. ROTPC.com review proposal deferred to Finance and General Purpose meeting
- 19. Christmas Fayre proposal

Proposal for the events working Group to support the organisers to bring the event in house, with no work for the ROTPC staff

**Proposed Cllr Spencer** 

Seconded Cllr McLeod

Agreed 7 Abstained 1

**APPROVED** 

20. Proposal to agree use of remaining jubilee grant

Proposal to purchase Jubilee roses with the remaining funds

**Proposed Cllr Spencer** 

**Seconded Cllr Graham** 

Agreed

## **APPROVED**

**21.Grange Hall update Grange Hall** – **report from the Hall Manager** the hall is slowly getting back to normal with lots of postponed weddings now taking place at the weekends. The weekdays are progressing too with either one-off bookings or new regular bookings taking place (or on a reserve list). However, it's fabulous that the Hall's increasing incapacity, but it does leave us short with staff. The caretakers work 'one on – one off' basis at the weekends, with the weddings and numerous parties at a weekend, it takes up the majority of the caretaker's hours. Every single week I am on the rota as a caretaker cover. This results in me either taking overtime or time in lieu, adding to the hall manager's workload. I leave on the 17<sup>th</sup> June, this will the caretakers extra short-staffed. (Each one will also be taking holidays). It was mentioned last week that Cllrs were not insured to move furniture when helping out in the Hall.

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Anti–Social behaviour – we have recently had a small amount of anti-social behaviour on the grounds of Grange Hall. This morning I had a two-hour meeting with the police going through all our CCTV. This proved very successful. However, a small minority of the groups are coming into the hall when hirers are here. There are Duty Officers employed when there is a large party/wedding, but it's not fair to make the hirer hire a Duty Officer just for the sake of the people that 'may' cause trouble. Maybe going back to the days when we had a private security firm patrol our grounds and Rockley Park is required?

Events - The cinema is continuing every month, with a fantastic turnout for 'Belfast'. Nearly 100 folks turned up. There is another new film for July, The Duke, so hopefully, it will bring in great numbers again.

I'd personally like to Thank Cllr Moroney for his enthusiasm and encouragement as the Chair of events. He is a great asset to the council! The last two events that he has put together have proved very successful.

One of them is the exhibition in The Grange at the moment.

Committee noted the Cllr Moroney and Marion Caunt have done an amazing job on the Jubilee display

- 22. Housekeeping WG update none
- 23. Events working group minutes and update as above
- **24. Leisure Hub working group report** meeting next week
- 25. Play equipment working group update new installation still being well received
- 26. Skate Park Liaison group report as Chairs update
- 27. Football Liaison working group report
- 28. Vandalism update noted

- 29. Correspondence none
- 30. Date of the next meeting Tuesday  $26^{th}$  July 2022 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

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

Signed Date

**Chair of Amenities committee**