Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

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Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 5th December 2023 at 7pm in the Radcliffe Room, The Grange Radcliffe on Trent

Members Present:

Cllr Oli Bere (Chair)	Cllr Oliver Furniss (Vice Chair)	Cllr Harry Curtis
Cllr Tracie Bere	Cllr Annie Mackensie	Cllr Matt Douglas
Cllr Anne McLeod	Cllr Alice Tomlinson	

Members Absent:

Cllr Tracy James	

In attendance:-

Michelle Law (Locum Clerk)	Havley Gandy (Administrator)	
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Also present:

Cllr Sue Clegg and 17 members of the public

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	Chair's welcome	The Chair welcomed the committee and the members of public present.		Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, s 1(1). As amended by The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, s3
Open Forum	Members of the public are welcome to present any matter relevant to the wellbeing of Radcliffe-on-Trent. and each	There were 17 members of public present, 6 members of the public spoke to object to the proposal of a dog agility site at Valley Road. They stated that	Apology to be posted on the website and on social media by Administrator.	

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	resident will receive the attention of the Committee for a period not exceeding 5 minutes, with a maximum of 15 minutes in total. Please see the Standing Orders 3 d-n for details.	there were a large group of people who are against the proposal on the grounds that the proposer states that it is an under utilised area, which in fact is valued by many residents and children as an extension of the playground, for wildlife and green space. The proposal goes against Kennel Club advice, goes through a public right of way, no consideration for lack of car parking or increase of dog fouling. Environmental impact hasn't been considered and the Neighbourhood plan states it is a local green space and is protected. A local business man also stated that no consideration made to the management of an area like this or that there are businesses in the area that provide this facility. A member of the public also wanted to object to the proposal of a Dewberry Hill working group as there will be a review in 2024, would be better to speak with stakeholders (RBC/NCC/Wildlife trust etc) not as a working group. Apology from Anne McLeod, Chair of Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council in response to a proposal to build a dog agility area at the Valley Road 'tractor' park.		

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		On behalf of the Parish Council, can I apologise unreservedly for the worry, upset and confusion we may have caused you.		
		The majority of councillors did not know about the proposal for a dog agility area until the agenda for the November 21st Amenities meeting was posted.		
		Going forward, any major changes to our village assets will be consulted on in the correct manner.		
		We work for you, we are spending your money, so we have no right to unilaterally impose items like this.		
		I am sure my colleagues agree with me that we need to improve our dialogue with residents. We are working towards this.		
		Once again, I am very sorry.		
		Anne McLeod		
AC24/142	To note apologies for absence.	The committee noted apologies from Cllr James		Local Government Act 1972, s85 (1) & Sch 12, p40.
AC24/143	To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the	There were none received.		Localism Act 2011, s31.

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	requirements of the Localism Act 2011.			
AC24/144	To consider any dispensation requests received by the Parish Clerk in relation to personal and/or disclosable pecuniary interests, not previously recorded.	There were none received.		Localism Act 2011, s33.
AC24/145	To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.	It was determined no items on the agenda required the exclusion of the public and press.		Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2)
AC24/146	To receive the minutes of the previous Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Amenities Committee meeting(s) and resolve to sign these as a true record of the meeting(s). Paper A – Amenities Committee 21 November 2023	The committee unanimously resolved to sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting 21 st November 2023 subject to minor amendments. 14 members of public left at 19.30pm	Administrator to post to website	Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, p41 (1).
AC24/147	To note the Amenities Committee Forecast on Income and Expenditure. Paper B	Discussed at length. The Chair requested that Christmas decoration be placed on the Grange and Grange Hall budget line, that in respect of bins be mindful of the	Accounts clerk to be asked what the percentage of cemetery pricing is kept for maintenance	

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		costs and that tree budget will need to be increased for the new year. Noted.		
AC24/148	To note an update from the Conservation Group. Verbal Report	The Conservation group were awarded the Rushcliffe Award for Environmental Project or Group of the year award. The Chair expressed thanks and well done to the Conservation Group and would like the close relationship to continue.		
AC24/149	To consider quotations received to reduce the Wharf Lane recreation ground hedge and determine the height the hedge should be reduced to. Deferred from AC24/123 Paper C	The Committee resolved to reduce the height of the hedge to 2 meters and delegte power to spend to the clerk up to £2500 from the Recreation Ground reserve.	Clerk to instruct a contractor to lower the hedge to 2 meters	
AC24/150	To adopt the Terms of reference for the following working groups (AC24/079): a) Cemetery working group b) Lease hire charge review working group c) The recreation ground working group Deferred from AC24/124	The Committee resolved unanimously to send the Terms of references for the cemetery working group, Lease hire charge review working group and the recreation ground working group to the individual groups for comment and liaise with the office.		
	Paper D			
AC24/151	To note the notes from the Cemetery and Rec Working Groups taken by a member of the groups.	Noted.		

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	Deferred from AC24/125 Paper E			
AC24/152	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To approve a revised design and the installation of a new cemetery tap and approve any difference in costs. Deferred from AC24/126 Paper F	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/153	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To approve the installation of three new benches at the Lily Ponds from the nature reserves budget (Option A or B). Deferred from AC24/127 Paper G	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/154	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To approve the installation of a new toilet door at Rockley Park. (Quotations needed from Officer. more options needed focusing on getting the toilets open ASAP, though mindful a full refurbishment is proposed next year - suggest a basic wooden door for now then move to metal and electric locks next year as part of the refurb).	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		

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	Deferred from AC24/128 Paper H			
AC24/155	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider quotations and approve works for: (Quotations needed from Officer) a) The cleaning and repainting of Rockley Park Pavilion building b) The cleaning and [fixing' of Rockley Park Pavilion roof & guttering c) The installation of new lighting on Rockley Park Pavilion ('up' lighters on exterior and interior down lights - meeting 13/6/23). Deferred from AC24/129 Paper I	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/156	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To approve the installation of new defibrillators, bleed control kits and the associated costs at the following locations: (Meeting 13/6/23) a. Woodside Stores/Harlequin. b. St Lawrence Blvd c. Cliff Walk, Entrance to Rockley Park	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		

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AC24/157	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To receive quotes for new dog zone signage and approve the installation (from meeting 13/6/23, there may be benefit in contacting the Borough to see what company they used for the one's at Rushcliffe Country Park) Deferred from AC24/131 Paper K	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/158	To note representations by members of the public in relation to a proposed dog agility area. To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider and approve the application for funding of Valley Road Dog Agility Area (Attached) a) To approve the concept of a dog agility area in the Valley Road space b) To approve the submission of the application below to Rushcliffe Borough Council for UKSPF/REPF funding of £10,000	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		

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	for dog agility equipment, information board and installation Deferred from AC24/132 Paper L			
AC24/159	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To approve the formation of the following Working Groups. Returning item from Cllr's O Furniss, T Bere, A McKenzie a) Dewberry Hill b) Dog Agility Area (<i>Note: This group will focus on the implementation of the agreed item above</i>). Deferred from AC24/133 Paper M	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/160	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider and approve revised Cemetery Pricing as recommended by the Cemetery Working Group effective 1st December 2023. a) To approve the pricing strategy outlined below for burials and cremations effective 1st December 2023 b) To approve the pricing strategy outlined below for	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		

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	alternatives to burials/cremations effective 1st December 2023 c) To approve the package layout to simplify costings for purchasers effective 1st December 2023 Deferred from AC24/134 Paper N			
AC24/161	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider and approve revised Cemetery Regulations as recommended by the Cemetery Working Group effective 1st December 2023. Deferred from AC24/135 Paper O	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
AC24/162	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider and approve the recommendation by The Rec Working Group (Attached) a) To approve the draft plan as recommended by The Rec Working Group of the reimagining of The Rec (Appendix A) b) To approve the working group/Parish Council to action items in phase one	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		

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	c) To approve the working group to have a pre-planning meeting with RBC and The FA for advise only at no cost for phase two plans Deferred from AC24/136 Paper P			
AC24/163	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss:	Cllr Furniss withdrew this item which was unanimously agreed by the committee.		
	To consider and approve the installation of a storyboard at Wharf Lane Recreation Ground at an approximate cost of £1500 +VAT. Deferred from AC24/137 Paper Q			
AC24/164	To consider a proposal by Cllr Furniss: To consider a proposal by Cllr O Bere and seconded by Cllr O Furniss to recommend to the F&GP committee for the formation of a Amenities Designated Reserve, to encompass all outstanding accruals approx. £15,000. Deferred from AC24/138	Cllr O Bere withdrew this item due to already being resolved at Finance and general Purpose meeting on 28 th November.		
AC24/165	To receive and note verbal reports from Councillors	Cllr Furniss reported that he attended a second cemetery training session and will provide a mini report of what he has learned.		

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	To receive any items for notification to be included on a future agenda – for information			
AC24/166	only			
	To conside r changing the date for the next meeting from the scheduled date of 16 th January	Noted. Cllr McKenzie gave her apologies.		Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, p10 (2)(a)
AC24/167	2024 at 19.00.			

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Signed as a true record of the Meeting:	Dated	
The meeting closed at 20.03		

Presiding chair of approving meeting