

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council
 Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held in the Radcliffe Room,
 The Grange, on Monday 10 October 2016
 at 7.00pm

Councillors

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

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

Also present: Jacki Grice (Parish Clerk) Jacque Earp (Admin Assistant) and Three Members of the Public

1. Apologies
 Cllrs Georgia Moore, Joe Bailey, Graham Leigh-Browne – Approved. It was noted that Cllr Graham Leigh-Browne is in Lings Bar Hospital. The Chair requested the Parish Council pass on our best wishes to get well soon.
 2. Declarations of Interest
 The Chair refers to item 12 of the Agenda and confirms that he used to be employed by the British Geological Survey but this was eight years ago.
 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 12 September 2016 for Approval
 It was: Resolved: "the minutes of the meetings are approved as an accurate record and were signed by the Chairman."
 4. Chairman's Announcements
 No announcements were made.
- Clerk's Report on Previous Minutes
5. M.20 Community Mini Bus
 The Clerk has contacted Mark Greenhalgh who runs the Methodist Community Mini Bus, Cllr Culshaw is in the process of setting up a meeting to find out more about the scheme.
 6. M. 26 Cllr Surgery – Residents Comments
 A list of resident's comments has not yet been received from the last Cllrs Surgery session.
 7. M.28 Interactive Speed Sign on Nottingham Road
 The Interactive Speed Sign on Nottingham Road is now working again.
 8. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Relevant Matters

Standing orders were suspended at 7.06pm

- A resident referred to Planning Application 16/0171/FUL 105 Bingham Road – not listed on tonight's agenda. It was confirmed that the original application and the subsequent revised one had already been considered and the committee raised objections to both applications. The resident had looked at the plans at the Rushcliffe Borough Offices and was concerned that there were no written measurements and potential entrance and exit problems to the site. Cllr Agar informed the resident that he had grounds to write to the Planning Officer at the Borough Council and also informed him of the deadlines for consultation.

- A resident refers to item 12 on the agenda – The Shale Wealth Fund. He notes that households could potentially receive finance through this fund, but is unclear if Radcliffe is due fracking? He also asks how the Parish Council will deal with public consultation on this issue, considering the deadline for a response is the 25th October. Cllr Culshaw confirms that the Parish Council is a consultee, however the response can be put on the Council website.

9. Standing orders resumed at 7.16pm

10. Recent Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions as per the attached list
No Rushcliffe Borough Council decisions have been received.

11. Planning Applications

Resolved: The applications received were reviewed and the decisions taken as outlined on the attached document.

12. Applications Subsequently Received

Resolved: One subsequent application was received and the decision taken as outlined on the attached document.

13. Update from the Trains Working Group

Cllr Thompson recently attended a Trains Working Group Meeting. The Group are dealing with two publications, one being included in the Parish Newsletter due beginning of November and another separate leaflet will be produced and paid for by Vanessa Strange from East Midlands Trains to be distributed at the beginning of December. The Working Group are working on another submission for the new franchise, and a Stakeholders meeting to which John MacQuarrie from the Department of Transport has been invited is scheduled for the 25th October 16. It is hoped that all information will be collated at this meeting for the next big Franchise. It is noted that Bottesford and Netherfield are interested in meeting at a future Stakeholders meeting, however there is no notification of a public consultation as yet. Cllr Thompson is keen to raise the profile of the Railway Service after 20 years of a diminished service and would ask for newspaper coverage from the Nottingham Evening Post and the Newark Advertiser be present when the new train line opens on December 12th. The Cllrs were encouraged to travel on the train that day, and representatives of Rushcliffe Borough Council, Politicians and Jake Kelly the M.D of East Midlands Trains be made aware. Cllr Culshaw refers to an article in the Newark Advertiser, who are in support of our work and progress. There are talks of opening up the Ollerton Line travelling through to Nottingham, Radcliffe and Bingham, however there are infrastructure issues at Bingham as the station does not have a car park.

14. Neighbourhood Plan: Update

Resolved: "To approve two items discussed: The Radcliffe Neighbourhood Plan: Progress Report and the article for the Public Consultation which will be published in the newsletter and website."

Cllr Agar confirms that a meeting has taken place with Cllr Roger Upton and Phillip Marshall, RBC Planning Officer who is now happy to take the plan forward for Independent Examination. . The Neighbourhood Plan has made good progress, targeted to go to referendum in 2017.

15. Shale Wealth Fund – Government Consultation: To consider a Response

Cllr Culshaw discusses the content of the Treasury produced Consultation Document 'Shale Wealth Fund'. This relates to fracking taxes and Cllr Culshaw confirms that Quadrilla is a company approved to carry out more tests and trials in Lancashire to prove that it works in the UK. It is Government Policy, with a view that fracking will take place. In addition they are seeking consultation on the Shale Wealth Fund as some of the money will be returned to the community. There are issues on whether or not this will take place, how it should be managed and who the money will go to. Cllr Culshaw also confirms that Radcliffe sits right on the edge of an area which has shale beneath that may be suitable and refers to a geological formations map contained in the report. If just 10% of gas could be exploited, then 50 years of gas could be supplied to the UK. The Shale Wealth Fund may not be relevant to this area, however there are 18 questions that need answers before the 25th October 16. The pros and cons on whether or not it would be feasible to answer these questions were discussed amongst the committee members and it was asked whether the Borough Council are responding.

Standing Orders are suspended at 8.15pm to allow a member of the public to speak

- The resident confirms that he has listened to the views of the committee and shares some of them. His view that fracking would not necessarily reduce the price of energy, and intrusion in the first instance is invasive and would affect the infrastructure causing roads to be widened and strengthened. He believes the report encourages fracking and climate change appears to be accelerated.

Standing Orders resumed at 8.18pm

16. Cllr Barton proposed that the Parish Council does not respond to the consultation due to lack of expertise in this area, seconded by Cllr Culshaw. Cllr Agar made a counter proposal that the Parish Council could respond to some of the questions with the knowledge of Cllr Culshaw.

It was Resolved "That Cllr Culshaw would address questions where possible within the Shale Wealth Fund Consultation and report back to an Extra Ordinary Planning and Environment meeting on Monday 17th October 16 at 6.45pm, for members to approve prior to submission."

17. Correspondence

a) A52 / A46 Highways England

A letter has been received from Highways England Team outlining traffic junctions scheduled for developing improvement. These are the junctions at QMC, Dunkirk Island, Queens Drive, Silverdale, Gamston, Stragglethorpe, Nottingham Road, Cropwell Road and Bingham Road. The Highways Team will be in contact shortly regarding the areas that will affect the Radcliffe area. Cllr Agar refers to the crossing issues on the A52 & Henson Lane. He asks that the representative at Highways England be invited to a Planning & Environment meeting to discuss the problems and other road issues in Radcliffe.

It was noted that the Clerk has not been receiving Roadworks updates from N.C.C and will chase this up.

b) Community Bus

Cllr Culshaw discusses the use of the Community Bus and has spoken to Lisa Jones who has agreed to speak to a representative of the Methodist Church to discuss potential options for Radcliffe residents.

18. Hutton Energy UK Ltd Community Advisory Board Report: Harlequin 3 well Site

There has been no progress to report.

19. Councillors' Reports

Cllr Barton confirms he has been asked informally by Cllr Kay Cutts for our ideas where road resurfacing of major roads in Radcliffe is most urgent. Cllr Barton has observed that there is a strong case for Shelford Road, Cropwell Road, (both sides of the A52). This item will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

20. Date of Next Meeting

Extra-Ordinary Planning & Environment Meeting confirmed as Monday 17 October 2016

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

Signed: Chairman Date