

Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council
Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting, held in the Radcliffe Room
at The Grange, on Monday 01 July 2019 at 7pm

Cllr John Addiscott (from 7.06pm)	Cllr Barbara Deavin (A)	Cllr Alan R Harvey
Cllr Norman Bradley	Cllr Gillian Dunn (A)	Cllr Anne McLeod (Chairman)
Cllr Maggie Clamp	Cllr Diane Farthing	Cllr Lorraine Foster
Cllr Harry Curtis	Cllr David Graham (Vice Chairman)	Cllr Tracy James
		Cllr Sonal Modhvardia

Ex-officio: Cllr Josephine Spencer (PC Chairman) Cllr Sue Clegg (PC Vice Chairman)

Also present: Jacki Grice (Parish Clerk), Jacque Earp (Admin Assistant), RBC Cllr Roger Upton and three members of the public.

In the interests of transparency, the council asks that any person wishing to record the meetings proceedings informs the Chairman prior to the start of the meeting and that recording equipment is on view. There is an Open Session on the Agenda at which time members of the public are invited to raise any matters pertaining to the work of the committee, limited to fifteen minutes, during which time Standing Orders will be suspended.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Dunn and Cllr Deavin - Approved.

2. Highway Maintenance Work – Wharf Lane – Options Presented by Jarek Bien (Project Engineer – Highway Design VIA Maintenance

Jarek Bien, Project Engineer, Highway Design from VIA maintenance presented Cllrs with options for Wharf Lane and his overview included:

- Give as much notice as possible to residents of Wharf Lane and Park Homes site to resurface the carriageway along Wharf Lane in the New Year, therefore not coinciding with the new SkatePark work due to start at the end of summer.
- To discuss the possibility of installing drainage features on PC land.
- Permission requested to use the PC car park at the end of Wharf Lane for storage of plant and vehicles
- To investigate and address drainage and unblock gullies which causes the formation of a 'large pond underneath the Railway Bridge in wet weather.
- Is not hopeful of approval from Network Rail for continuation of the gully so proposes to install a new soakaway on PC land i.e. the fenced off grassed area between the side of the car park and the Railway Arch and the brow of the hill and the car park entrance to intercept water and increase the capacity of the soakaway. (Plans handed out to Cllrs at this point)
- The only visible signs of new works would be a surface metal manhole cover. An agreement would be drawn up between the PC and NCC and no drainage works would be carried out without PC approval.
- VIA /NCC would take responsibility to maintain the drainage
- Will resurface the car park near to the pavilion as a gesture of goodwill.

After the overview Cllrs felt that further professional investigation is now required and are mindful that any excessive water may be pushed towards the Football Pitch, which often gets water logged. The Clerk will also contact Adam Greest from STW for his input.

It was Resolved: "Following further professional advice, the PC agree in principle to a formal agreement drawn up between NCC and the PC for VIA to carry the Wharf Lane Highway Maintenance and Drainage Works in the New Year. VIA also offered some additional landscape works on PC land as a gesture of their good will."

3. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Curtis – Agenda Item 13 – Twinning Association Street Names Suggestions

4. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman had now been to two RBC Planning meetings. At the 13th June meeting, there was approval for a William Davis Planning Application to build the first phase of 103 houses at the top of Shelford Road. The Chairman brought 3 observations to the attention of the Planning Officers:

- Contractors need to be aware there are a significant number of residents with restricted sight problems in this area and to prevent trip hazards, mud and debris.
- A plea to contractors to use sustainable energy saving wherever possible in line with government guidelines and to be made aware Radcliffe has formed a Community Environmental Working Group.
- Essential that the planned railway footbridge is based at the south west part of the site so that children walking to school will not have to use the A52.

5. Minutes of the Previous meeting held on the 20 May 2019 for approval

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

6. Clerks Report on items arising from these minutes

M.21: There had been no response from the Radcliffe Co-op regarding the wire shopping trolleys parked outside the store, although Cllrs noted there has recently been a reduction in the number of trolleys.

7. Open Session for members of the public to raise relevant matters, limited to 15 minutes

Standing Orders were suspended at 7.15pm

- Kathy Thomas (secretary of the Twining Association) asked for PC support for the Twining Association suggestions of new street names for the Shelford Road /William Davis Development. The new street names will commemorate the 20th Anniversary year of Radcliffe on Trent with Bussy St Georges. It was also confirmed there are 40 active members of the Twining Association in Radcliffe and a written list of street name suggestions were handed to the Chairman and Cllrs for their consideration.
- RBC Cllr Roger Upton thanked the Chairman for her input at the RBC Planning meeting on the 13th June and confirmed the siting of the planned railway footbridge needs to be reiterated again and again to the Planning Officers. There has been approval for a new two storey Bat & Owl House to be built at the end of the railway. Has been in contact with Dave Banks at RBC as there are currently travellers at the Bingham Road Playing Fields. This is not RBC land and The Redhill Trust and SNA are responsible for the Fields. Did not object in principle to the outline Planning Application for Samworth Farms and confirmed Highways England are responsible for the A52 Trunk Road Junction at the bottom of Saxondale Drive. 5 hectares of the land behind the RSPCA had been identified as employment/business land. In the current planning application the developers have only applied for 1 hectare as employment land, and if successful means the overall housing total for Radcliffe will exceed 1000.

Standing Orders were reinstated at 7.27pm

8. Recent Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions as per the attached list

It was Resolved: "Noted."

9. Planning Applications as per the attached list

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

10. Subsequent Applications

It was Resolved: "The four subsequent applications received were reviewed and the decisions taken as outlined on the attached document."

11. RBC Planning Meetings – Report- Next Meeting 18/07 – 6.30pm

Noted.

12. Local Plan Part 2 – Amendments Consultation

It was noted that the next RBC Full Council meeting is on the 5th September, when the LPP2 will be discussed. The PC strongly objects to the proposed modifications i.e. reducing the hectares of employment from 5 to 3 and increasing the allocation for homes from 150 to 200 directly contradicts the Radcliffe Neighbourhood Plan Policy 12 and 13. Policy 13 (Business and Enterprise) which supports planning applications that encourage economic development and enterprise, including facilities for education and training. This modification would mean the 920 houses already identified for Radcliffe would be increased to approx 1000 and the village does not have the infrastructure or capacity to cope with the increased traffic and population. Policy 12 (Housing Mix and Density) also addresses the need for appropriate density of schemes to their location. The Nottingham Road/A52 Junction is already at capacity during peak periods and a high density development in this area would affect the rest of the village when travelling out of the village towards Nottingham.

13. New Housing Developments – Street Name Suggestions – To Consider

A list of street name suggestions based on Radcliffe family names have been provided by the Local History Group. Cllrs were in favour of the Radcliffe family name suggestions for the majority of the new development still leaving room for at least two French names for the 20th Anniversary Commemoration of twinning with Bussy St George. It was also noted that William Davis require 6 street name suggestions so that work on the first phase of houses at the top of Shelford Road can start. Cllrs will email the clerk after agreeing a 'theme' and deciding on 6 preferred street names. The suggestions can then be put forward at a Full Council meeting on the 15th July.

14. Valerie Gillespie Award – Working Party Project Suggestions to Put Forward

The Working Party had a meeting on the 10th June 2019 and three community initiatives for inclusion in the entry to the Award Scheme were suggested. These were The Station Adoption Project, The Lily Ponds and Dewberry Hill Conservation Volunteers Project and the Single Use Plastics Project. It was Resolved: "That the Parish Council approve the three Working Party Suggestions i.e. The Valerie Gillespie Award Scheme, to include the Station Adoption Project, The Lily Ponds and Dewberry Hill Project and the Single Use Plastics Project, and to submit their entry by the 30th November 2019".

15. Four Year Plan – Considerations/Suggestions

The Clerk had not received any emailed considerations or suggestions, however Cllrs then put forward the following suggestions for consideration:

- Build a new Sports Leisure Hub, to be sited at Wharf Lane Recreation Ground
- A Plastic Free Village and use of a Community Volunteer based facility for villagers helping themselves in the process of recycling, with a view to build a bench from recycled materials.
- Buses to run between certain daytime hours only on Main Road, similar to West Bridgford. Traffic to be made 'two way' on New Road and a set of Traffic Lights to be placed near to the Station entrance end of new Road would be beneficial and a method of slowing down the traffic along Shelford Road. (The Clerk noted this suggestion was not supported by NCC a year ago.)
- A PC Working Party be formed to look at the proposals arising from the Radcliffe Economic Growth Board, who only meet twice a year.
- A new pedestrian crossing to be placed at Wharf Lane. This part of the Main Road is dangerous for both schoolchildren and residents needing to cross the road.

16. Planning Training with RBC – Monday 22nd July – 6.30pm, The Grange

Noted for all Cllrs.

17. Correspondence

Redhill Academy Trust – SNA Footpath

Noted. The Trust is in discussions with NCC.

18. RBC – 7 Berkley Crescent – Fell Conifer and Holly – TPO Not Proposed

For Cllrs information only.

19. Birkin Avenue Resident Letter

Noted. The Clerk will write reply to the resident who raised a number of issues with the information provided in the Councils newsletter. (LPP2 & Trains etc)

20. Councillors Reports

- Cllr Clamp confirmed there had not been a Trains Working Group meeting yet, although an email received from Phil Thomas indicated Abellio are taking over operations of the train service however there was little evidence the Trains timetable had been changed. Abellio have a commitment to refurbish train coaches and to install ticket and vending machines at all stations.
- Cllr James confirmed that some Stakeholders had already met with the new Train Operators and requested that Phil Thomas arrange a Trains Working Group meeting for its members as soon as possible.
- Cllr Clegg confirmed the Environmental Working Group met on the 27th June and the residents attending were very enthusiastic. The Village Butcher will now fill customers own containers with produce and meat and will not use plastic bags. The Humble Cat also encourage customers to bring their own cups or mugs and Burleys will be using RAW at Bingham and SAS for support and information so that customers containers can be filled with shampoo and dishwashing products. Children in the village also had a 'Walk to School Week' last week. It is hoped another meeting will take place soon for an update.
- Cllr Addiscott now has a copy of the Park Homes Caravan Licence and confirmed RBC Officers from the legal team and Environmental Health Team are will to attend a PC meeting to clarify boundaries from the site to the cliff top. This offer was not taken up as Cllr Upton confirmed the boundaries for the site and that Wildcrest Homes are responsible. He also confirmed the Park Homes development was not covered by Building regulations and that there is a public right of way to the Trent riverbank. The cliff side is still a concern for the PC and the appropriate authorities are currently dealing with this matter.

21. Roadworks Bulletins

There were no Roadworks Bulletins

22. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 12 August 2019

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed: ChairmanDate