



Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

The Grange, Vicarage Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham NG12 2FB

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Minutes of the Full Council which was held on Tuesday 10 December 2024 at 19.00 in the Radcliffe Room, The Grange, Vicarage Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham NG12 2FB.

Members present:

Cllr Anne McLeod (Chair)	Cllr Phil Thomas	Cllr Alice Tomlinson
Cllr Harry Curtis	Cllr Sue Clegg	Cllr Oli Bere
Cllr Amelie Pira	Cllr Kirsty Hyndes	Cllr Annie Mackenzie
Cllr Irene Dovey	Cllr Tracie Bere	Cllr Nikki Farnsworth
Cllr Oliver Furniss	Cllr Lesa Gilbert	

Also present: 2 members of public

Staff present Hayley Gandy (Interim Clerk/RFO)

Chair's Welcome

Welcome to the final Full Council meeting of 2024.

Open Forum

One member of public, previously a councillor from 2015-2019 and wanted to come see for themselves what is happening on the council.

Second member of public commented on the new format of the PC meeting minutes, but there are teething troubles, the two links within the RBC's section don't work.

The Web and e-mail links are not complete.

They also questioned whether the Clerks notes on the progress of the swings from the previous meeting (which they weren't at) were really what was said, as they don't read right to me.

They expressed a Christmas wish for the swings that have been out of action since April to be back in service for Boxing Day / New Years Day, a time of family gatherings and 'what shall we do with the kids' outings.

They also asked that when spending the money agreed two meetings ago on the Rockley Park Pavilion upgrade, that consideration be given to restoring the windows to both sides, as currently it feels like a cave. They accepted that these can no longer be glass, but the given the proposed CCTV cover, a plastic alternative (plexiglass?) solution would be in keeping with the original design.

To receive County and Borough Council reports

	<p>There were no RBC or NCC Councillors present due to Cabinet meeting.</p> <p>RBC Cllr Brennan emailed an update on the Health Centre which read as follows "the 3 Borough Councillors have had early discussions with the doctors and the Integrated Care Board, and we are actively working to see if there is now any appetite for an expansion of Radcliffe Health Centre, amongst other options. We have already made some suggestions which are being considered, and we will shortly be meeting with the Doctors and the ICB to progress these first thoughts. We are also liaising with James Naish MP who is also engaged on the issue"</p>
FC25-193	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>Cllr Matthew Douglas - accepted</p>
FC25-194	<p><u>Declaration of members interests and dispensation from non-participation</u></p> <p>None</p>
FC25-195	<p><u>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)</u></p> <p>None</p>
FC25-196	<p><u>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2024</u></p> <p>The Council approved the minutes of the meeting of 19th November 2024 with slight amendments.</p>
FC25-197	<p>To note the minutes from the following committees: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Grange and Grange Hall Committee 12th November 2024 – noted by all b) Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting 3rd December 2024 – deferred to next meeting as not received in time for meeting.
FC25-198	<p>To note the Clerk's report</p> <p>The clerk reported there have been 2 storms in the last 3 weeks which has caused some tree damage, which ground staff have managed to sort.</p> <p>The Christmas Fair was a great success despite having to change plans slightly due to the weather. All music performances were moved indoors and some of the stallholders also moved inside and onto the car park. There were lots of happy faces. Big thanks to all volunteers, stallholders, sponsors, staff and councillors who helped on the day. Thank you to residents for attending in great numbers despite the rain.</p> <p>Swings at Wharf Lane and Valley Road, still await a reply from supplier for the additional parts required to get the swings back in action. Contractor has been chasing.</p> <p>Lastly, I met with streetwise today to discuss contract for new year and the extra services they provide.</p> <p>Thank you to Hayley and the team for work on the Christmas Fair.</p>
	<p>It was requested that item 210 be brought forward to discuss and in light of report an amendment request for item 199.</p>
FC25-199	<p><u>To consider and approve the budget for 2025/2026</u></p> <p>Cllr Furniss reported that the budget proposed is with the mindset to complete as many projects as possible in the new budget year. Without grants the budget will become a</p>

negative amount, which would rely on reserves and CCLA accounts. Reserve amounts have been designated to active budget lines.

Thank you to the members of the budget working group and the F & GP committee.

Cllr Furniss suggested an amendment to the budget line for small projects due to the ROTSA projects and suggested reducing the budget to £65,000 with a £50,000 budget to Bingham Road budget.

Cllr Clegg expressed concerns over lack of teamwork of negative budget.

The Council resolved to adopt the budget with the amendment – 13 for 1 against – carried.

To consider and approve the precept for 2025/2026

Cllr Thomas expressed concerns over increasing the precept by 5% and concerned about the message of putting an above inflation increase on.

Cllr Furniss explained that the increase is based on Government increase to national insurance and that it is looking at the big picture for the future.

The Council resolved to increase the precept by 5% - 9 for and 5 against - carried

FC25- 200

To consider and approve expenditure for a Police URN for the Grange and Grange Hall and agree the alarm activation keyholders and actions

The Council resolved to approve the expenditure of £78 per month for a Police URN for the Grange and Grange Hall unanimously

FC25 - 201

To consider and approve the Cemetery price increases to begin at the start of the financial year 2025/26

Cllr Clegg expressed the concern of a big increase.

Cllr Furniss explained that the Cemetery working group looked at the market. The increase is to future proof the significant costs of upkeep and moving towards competitive rates.

The Council resolved to approve the Cemetery price increased for April 2025 – 12 for 2 abstentions - carried

To consider and approve the changes to Cemetery regulations to begin 1st January 2025

The Council resolved to approve the changes to cemetery regulation from 1st January 2025 – 13 for 1 abstention - carried

FC25 - 202

To consider and approve an additional £3,000 for CCTV provision from General Reserves and agree installation

The Council resolved to approve an additional £5,000 for CCTV provision from General reserves unanimously.

To consider and approve the maintenance and support costs until the end of the 2025-2026 financial year at which point it can be reviewed.

The Council resolved to approve the maintenance and support costs until end of 20205-2026 financial year – unanimously.

FC25-203	<p><u>To consider and approve the replacement of the guttering and fascia boards as outlined in the revised quotation provided from the budget line 8088 Pavilion Wharf Lane.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved to approve the replacement of guttering and fascia boards as outlined in the revised quotation from budget line 8088 Pavilion Wharf Lane unanimously.</p>
FC25-204	<p><u>To consider and approve moving £8,000 from budget line 5055 Grange Hall Upgrade and Maintenance to 5051 Grange Building Maintenance.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved to approve the movement of £8,000 from budget line 5055 Grange Hall upgrade and Maintenance to 5051 Grange Building Maintenance – 13 for 1 abstention.</p> <p><u>To consider and approve expenditure on new furniture for The Grange as detailed above from 5051 Grange Building Maintenance (£8,000) and General Reserves (Remaining amount).</u></p> <p>The Council resolved to approve the expenditure on new furniture for the Grange – 9 for 1 against and 3 abstentions. Designs for furniture to be considered with Hall Manager and for hirer needs.</p> <p><u>To consider and approve up to £5,000 for painting and decorating from 5051 Grange Building Maintenance.</u></p> <p>Cllr Furniss proposed £6,000 for painting and decorating from 5051 Grange Building Maintenance, the Council resolved unanimously to approve.</p>
FC25-205	<p><u>To consider and approve expenditure to install the suggested fire safety signs as detailed from the Pavilion Wharf Lane budget line.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the expenditure to install the suggested fire safety signs</p> <p><u>To consider and approve the expenditure of up to £5,000 on fire safety systems at the Wharf Lane Pavilion from the General Reserves budget line.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the expenditure of up to £5000 on fire safety systems at Wharf Lane Pavilion</p> <p><u>To consider and approve the use of the forms listed within the proposal.</u></p> <p>The Council unanimously resolved to approve the use of forms listed within the proposal.</p>
FC25-206	<p><u>To consider and approve expenditure of a replacement of the bench to be funded from budget line 8082 Street Furniture.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the expenditure of a replacement bench at Wharf Lane from budget line 8082 street furniture</p> <p><u>To consider and approve expenditure of a replacement Skatepark Rules Sign to be funded from budget line 8087 Skatepark General Maintenance.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the expenditure of a replacement skatepark rules sign.</p> <p><u>To consider and approve expenditure of a subcontractor to make repairs to the Seating Area to be funded from the budget line 3035 sub-contractors.</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the expenditure of a subcontract to make repairs to seating area to be funded by budget line 3035 sub-contractors.</p>

FC25-207	<p><u>To consider and approve the resurfacing of the car park at Wharf Lane from General Reserves</u></p> <p>After a discussions the council wished to obtain further information for an alternative option to car park resurfacing and to ask RBC if planning permission required for extension of car park.</p> <p><u>To consider and approve the re-demarcation of the car park lines in the car park at the Grange from General Reserves</u></p> <p>The Council resolved unanimously to approve the re-demarcation of the car park lines at the Grange Car Park.</p> <p><i>Cllr Tomlinson left the meeting at 21.15pm</i></p>
FC25-208	<p><u>To consider and approve the Lengthsman work as outlined from the budget line 3038 Lengthsman</u></p> <p>Cllr Farnsworth stated that the Biodiversity working group were to look into possible alternatives to weed killers, but had yet to do so. There were concerns for the type of weed killer contractors considered to use for this proposal.</p> <p>After much discussion the council resolved to approve the lengthsman work for weed killing – 6 for 5 against 2 abstentions – carried.</p>
FC25-209	<p><u>To note the new consent forms to accompany parish software access</u></p> <p>Noted</p>
FC25-210	<p><u>To receive verbal report on the discussions that the PC have had with ROTSA and RBC relating to the installation of a new all-weather pitch at Bingham Road.</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas reported that there have been discussion regarding the ROTSA all weather pitch project. The PC representatives at ROTSA are Cllr Thomas and Cllr Farnsworth. RBC have granted money to the playing field for £232,000, the problem that has occurred is that the amount of funding available doesn't cover the full cost of project. The amount covers the pitch but not the VAT in the region of £46,000-47,000. The project is being managed by ROTSA, 4 quotes received and will attract VAT. Once suggestion was to ask the PC for grant to cover this cost. 2nd suggestion to ask PC to manage the project, potentially PC owning the pitch and getting funding from RBC. There are legal consequences to consider. 3rd suggestion was crowd fund for the money. Monday 16th December ROTSA will be meeting to decide on what objection they wish to take. PC are keen to be involved in the 2nd phase development which would include a new playground, car park and landscaping. Await response from ROTSA.</p>
FC25-211	<p>To note correspondence circulated by email if any</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Cllr O Bere – please look at the Severn Trent grant email.</p>
FC25-212	<p>To receive and note reports from members</p>
FC25-213	<p>To receive any items for notification to be included on a future agenda – for information only</p> <p>Wharf Lane steps repairs.</p>

FC25-214

Next meeting on Tuesday 28 January 2025 commencing at 19.00 in the Radcliffe Room, The Grange, Vicarage Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham NG12 2FB.

Noted by all

The meeting closed at 9.20

Signed as a true record of the Meeting: _____

Dated _____

Presiding chair of approving meeting