

**Draft Minutes for the Annual Parish Meeting  
Rockcliffe Parish Council 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**AGENDA**

**1 Apologies for absence**

No apologies for absence

**2 Chairmans report 2022**

**PLANNING**

There are several small domestic applications which have been approved. We received some more

Contentious planning applications to which we submitted our concerns and objections and outlined our suggestions for improvement.

NWRL - an application for RDF plant at Rockcliffe Industrial Estate. We applied for permission to speak at the planning meeting, as yet no final plan has been submitted.

14 MU site Harker – 300 dwellings on this site were approved.

**FIRE**

I was away when this incident occurred, but the councillors worked closely with all agencies and City and County Councillors and the Health Agency providing information as they received it.

**LITTER**

We have completed our annual village litter pick and thanks to all who turned up and collected bags of litter and general rubbish. The village looked really well until someone fly tipped rubbish on Lonning Foot the same day, it was reported to the Police and City council receipt with an individual's details on was given to the City Council for investigations.

**TRAFFIC**

We are still seeing HGV traffic coming into the village despite the companies involved being informed on a regular asked to inform their drivers not to go through the village. We have discussed the repositioning of the directional signs and new signs on entry to the village, the Highways department has promised this on numerous occasions. The incident last week with an HGV at Redhills corner has been discussed with the company involved and it was reiterated again with them about the traffic through the village. They have agreed to reinstate the verge.

**GRANTS**

As with previous years we have supported St Mary's church with a grant towards the upkeep of the churchyard. Rockcliffe Parish Council receives an annual grant from the Beckburn Wind Farm and can allocate up to £1000 for community projects. This has funded projects in the Rockcliffe Centre and will support Jubilee events. Apply to Rockcliffe Parish Council. Larger grants can be applied for by contacting Cumbria Community Foundation and click on Beckburn. Education grants are available for 6th form travel to Carlisle. University students can receive an annual grant to assist with study costs. Apply to Cumbria Community Foundation, Beckburn fund.

We were very sorry to hear of the passing of Val Tarbitt our City and County Councillor, she worked alongside us for many in the community, we look forward to working with Tim Pickstone has been elected as a City Councillor for Longtown and the border until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, when this council will cease to exist. He has also been elected for the Longtown ward of the new Cumberland Authority which will be a shadow council until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 when they take over.

This is my final year as Chairman and Councillor, and it has been a privilege to work alongside you all. Thanks to the Parish Councillors and City and County Councillors for their help and support. May I also thank our clerk Lesley Faulder for her hardworking knowledge and support.

Thank You

Judith Twentyman Chairman

### **3 Public Participation**

Residents of the Parish are invited to discuss Parish matters.

No members of the public present

**4. Date of next meeting** – the next meeting is scheduled for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023 AT 7.15 pm at Rockcliffe Community Centre.

**Lesley Faulder**

Clerk to Rockcliffe Parish Council