Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan



Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday, January 19 2011 at 7:30pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors Thomas, Diment, Davies, Marsh, Philpott

In attendance: Helena Fox

- 12.1 <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Owen</u>
- **12.2** DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were none.
- **12.3** MATTERS ARISING:
- **12.3.1** Rhodri Morgan : Clerk is still to look into the possibility of a Blue Plaque.
- **12.3.2** Granny Park : the Clerk has asked the handyman to tidy and reseed an area of bare soil.
- 12.3.3 Cllr Diment reported that letters of thanks had been sent to the volunteers who had helped with the Christmas trees. This included new volunteers and all had gone well. The trees were too wide for the bases this year and this needs to be checked for next Christmas.
- 12.3.4 Radyr Sidings Christmas tree: it was recommended that R&MCC work with the RMA and the developer to discuss the establishment of a permanent site for a tree and electrical connection. R&MCC thanks the developer for their help with a Christmas tree again this year.
- 12.4 <u>WINDSOR GARDENS</u>: the tree overhanging Cllr McKerlich's garden has been trimmed back.
- **12.5** PENTWYN PARK: There was nothing to report.
- 12.6 <u>TO DISCUSS SUGGESTIONS FOR EXPENDITURE IN 2012-13</u>: The committee recommended an environment budget of £12,400 to the Finance Committee. All agreed.
- 12.7 TO DISCUSS THE MANAGEMENT OF RADYR WOODS AND HERMIT WOOD: It was recommended that a meeting be held with the Wardens to discuss the management of both these areas. A meeting before February's committee meeting was suggested.
- 12.8 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON PLANS FOR JUBILEE 2012: Cllr Diment reported that a Jubilee meeting was held on January 18. The Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama confirmed their participation. The local schools have said that they cannot participate because it is half term, as has the Mellingriffith Brass Band. A local jazz group will play and local pop bands are being recruited. Other musical or dramatic performances are being investigated.
- 12.8.1 An application will be made for a grant from Awards for All to contribute towards the cost of the stage, lighting and sound.
- 12.9 TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON A REQUEST FOR A MEMORIAL BENCH FOR MOLLIE TILLEY: The committee suggested that bench be sited on Radyr Woods. The Clerk will contact the family.

- **12.10** <u>VILLAGE PLAN UPDATES</u>: there were none.
- 12.11 TO REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ANY PLANNING MATTER:
- Ael y Bryn: it was recommended that the Clerk submit, again, objections to this application, in particular comments that the latest drawing does not appear to be accurate and does not give enough information on the effect of the development on neighbours.
- **12.11.2** Radyr Weir Generating project : Cllr Marsh suggested that R&MCC write in support of this application.
- 12.12 <u>TO PUT FORWARD ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:</u> There were none.
- **12.13** DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY February 16 2012