

Radyr & Morganstown Community Council

Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan



Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday, June 21 2012 at 8:15pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors Marsh, Diment, Davies, St Leger, Vaughan Cartwright
Jim Goodwin and Phil Kitcher for the Wardens of Radyr Woods

In attendance: Helena Fox

- 12.262** ELECTION OF A NEW CHAIRMAN : Cllr Marsh nominated Cllr Diment, seconded by Cllr Davies. No other nominations were received. Cllr Diment accepted the nomination and a vote was held : all in favour.
- 12.263** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs Sue McKerlich, C Thomas
- 12.264** DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were none.
- 12.265** MATTERS ARISING: There were none.
- 12.266** MEETING ADJOURNED TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK :
- 12.266.1** Jim Goodwin reported on severe vandalism of fencing, boardwalk, trees, steps and benches. The amount of damage done suggests that a group of people was involved. Mr Goodwin will make a report to the police. To date some tidying up has been done and repairs will be assessed.
- 12.267** TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO RADYR WOODS :
- 12.267.1** The Clerk is seeking assurance from Orange Forestry that they can comply with Cadw's conditions before placing instructions to fell the dangerous beech. With a quote of £1900 that would be a cost of £950 to R&MCC, the other half paid by Cadw. This is well below other quotes.
- 12.267.1.1** The Clerk will remind Cardiff Council about the request re management of Hermit Wood.
- 12.267.1.2** The committee recommended that Cardiff Council be asked to replace the fencing between Radyr Comprehensive School and public footpath number 48. School pupils are coming through the fence and there is a safety concern. This lies outside R&MCC's management agreement area. A substantial fence is needed.
- 12.268** TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO WINDSOR GARDENS :
- 12.268.1** Cllr Sue McKerlich had reported to the Clerk that ash saplings have regrown along the boundary between Windsor Gardens/Heol Isaf and Cllr McKerlich's house. Quotes will be sought to get these removed.

The Chairman brought the following item forward in the meeting so that the Wardens could be consulted.

- 12.269** TO RECOMMEND A DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DAY 2012: Cllr Diment proposed that a third environment day be held. Cllr Davies suggested that it be held in one of the primary schools on a Friday afternoon and the following Saturday morning. The Wardens were happy to help and would be able to promote school visits to Radyr Woods. It was recommended to approach Radyr Primary School and invite Bryn Deri Primary School to visit. If the event is successful it could be held at Bryn Deri next year.

Cllr Davies proposed and Cllr Marsh seconded that the Clerk write to Mr Bussy. All agreed. Suggested dates are September 14/15 or 21/22.

Jim Goodwin and Phil Kitcher left the meeting.

12.270 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO PENTWYN PARK :

12.270.1 The Clerk reported that a board is missing by the car park wall and foundations under car park are visible and falling into park. The Clerk will write to the owner of the land.

12.271 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO RADYR SIDINGS:

12.271.1 Cllr Sue McKerlich had asked the Clerk to raise the issue of the wasteland to the north east of the railway bridge. Cllr Davies believed that the land is owned by Rail Track. It was recommended that the Clerk ask Rail Track about the plans for the space.

12.271.2 A meeting date is yet to take place re the Christmas tree electrics. It is hoped that Cllr Diment can attend with David Cargill.

12.272 TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN :

12.272.1 This was referred to the next meeting and the Clerk asked to provide copies of Cardiff Council's proforma to members.

12.273 VILLAGE PLAN UPDATES : There were none.

12.274 TO REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ANY PLANNING MATTERS :

12.274.1 Community Plot, Radyr Sidings : permission has been granted for 9 houses.

12.274.2 12/0814/DCO : 5 Station Road : Cllr Marsh presented the application to the committee. Having discussed the issues Cllr Marsh proposed that an objection be made supporting that of Cllr Rod McKerlich and residents. The Clerk will write to the planning officer on June 22.

12.274.3 12/0920/DCH : Garth Close : Cllr Marsh noted that there is no provision for parking. The Clerk will write to the planning officer on June 22.

12.275 TO PUT FORWARD ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: There were none.

12.276 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY July 19 2012