



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday, October 6 2016 at 7:45pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Cllrs St Leger, R Vaughan, H Lloyd Jones
Jim Goodwin for the Wardens of Radyr Woods

In Attendance: Helena Fox

16.412 To receive apologies for absence: Cllrs M Deem, S McKerlich, T Davies;
Allan Cook, Raymond Rivron. All apologies were accepted.

16.413 To make declarations of interest: There were none.

16.414 To sign the minutes of the previous meeting: These were signed.

16.415 To discuss the Morganstown Motte: This is the responsibility of Cardiff Council, with Cadw. The vegetation growing around the Motte will be managed as a wild flower meadow on the flat areas and the trees growing on the Motte will be kept as saplings to minimise root damage to the structure.

16.416 To discuss Pilgrim's Way: This runs from Llandaff to Penrhys through Radyr. Grants may be available to support a project to reinstate this route.

16.417 To discuss matters relating to Radyr Woods:

16.417.1 Boardwalk: Costs are being investigated. The Wardens hope to have some figures at the November meeting.

16.417.2 Grants: Cllr Deem is looking into grants that might apply to Radyr Woods.

16.417.3 General Maintenance: undergrowth has been cleared and crowns lifted to above head height at Taff Terrace. Trees in the neighbouring field are being dealt with by the owner.

16.417.4 Trees overhanging Woodfield Avenue: Orange Forestry have been asked to advise on trees over-hanging three gardens.

16.417.5 Time Credits: The Wardens are working on this following their successful bid to be part of the scheme.

16.418 To discuss matters relating to Hermit Wood: There was nothing to report.

16.419 To discuss general tree maintenance work:

16.419.1 Mr Goodwin had checked all the trees dealt with under the 2013 tree survey and listed in its third and final tranche. He advised amendments to the trees that need and do not need work and he will notify the Clerk of the details. Mr Goodwin advised that a new tree survey was needed as a matter of urgency and this is recommended to main council. This survey would replace the third tranche of the 2013 survey. Mr Goodwin would like to meet with any contractors to advise them on site.

- 16.419.2** Mr Goodwin reported that two trees need urgent action and are not mentioned on the existing survey. He will advise the clerk of their location.
- 16.419.3** Treescene have been on site and tidied up some of the arisings of a previous job.
- 16.420 To discuss commemorative plaques:**
- 16.420.1** Woodfield Avenue/Heol Isaf bench: it was recommended that a plaque be approved and the Clerk will contact the relatives.
- 16.420.2** Granny Park bench: it was recommended that a plaque be approved and the Clerk will contact the relatives.
- 16.421 To review the ownership and management of land by R&MCC:** Deeds are held by Hopkins Law if not already in the possession of R&MCC.
- 16.422 To discuss matters relating to Windsor Gardens:** nothing to report.
- 16.423 To discuss matters relating to the Granny Park:** nothing to report.
- 16.424 To discuss matters relating to Willow Tree Close:** nothing to report.
- 16.425 To discuss matters relating to Pentwyn Park:** A quote is being sought for some general tree maintenance to improve mowing access and deal with trees overhanging a neighbour.
- 16.425.1** Upute on path flood: CCC has been asked for an update.
- 16.426 To discuss matters relating to Danybryn Woods:** nothing to report.
- 16.427 To discuss the bench at Ffordd Las:** This bench will be checked for condition. All council benches will be checked.
- 16.428 To discuss arrangements for Christmas trees and Station Road lights:**
- 16.428.1** Orders have been placed for the three trees and the installation help.
- 16.428.2** A quote for £807.97 + VAT was received for the Station Road lights. The budget allocation is £1,100. This is for the same service as last year. The Clerk was asked to place the order.
- 16.429 To discuss notice boards:** A quote has been sought for installing the new notice board at Morganstown.
- 16.430 To discuss Dahl's Way:** There was nothing to report.
- 16.431 To discuss matters relating to Radyr Sidings:** It was recommended that R&MCC write again to Cardiff Council's Cabinet Member about the traffic problems stemming from Radyr Sidings development as a follow up to a previous letter which had had no response from Cardiff.
- 16.432 To discuss the Arena, Radyr Gardens and Youth Forum:** It was recommended to follow up on this in the New Year.
- 16.433 To discuss the Ramblers – Pathwatch:** This free app for mobile devices allows walkers to report problems along public rights of way to the relevant local authority. It was recommended that local people should be encouraged to use the app to report local issues. Pathwatch could be highlighted on the website. Cllr Lloyd Jones had suggested to Ramblers Cymru that R&M be a pilot community to evaluate the app.
- 16.434 To discuss the Skatepark at the Mound Field:** Cllr R McKerlich was thanked for arranging for a repair to one of the grinding rails in the park to be made quickly.

16.435 To discuss footpaths:

16.435.1 Woodfield Avenue to Taff Terrace: the paperwork to claim this as a Public Bridleway has been submitted to Cardiff Council.

16.435.2 Evidence forms are being collected for other rights of way.

16.436 To discuss the Cycling and Walking Group: nothing to report.

16.437 To review and make recommendations on any planning matters:

16.437.1 Application No: 16/02016/MJR: The Clerk and Cllr Deem had drafted a response based on that of NWCG with addition comments on environmental issues. The letter was approved.

16.438 To put forward any items for the next meeting: There were none.

16.439 Date of next meeting : November 3 2016