

## **Notes from the Radyr and Morganstown PACT Meetings held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

14 Attendees from Ael y Bryn, Llwyn Drysol, Station Road, Drovers Way, Clos Tylaway, Old Garden Court and Craig His, Ty gwyn Farm.

Panel was Chair-Ralph Vaughan, Councillor Rod McKerlich, PC Huw Thomas and PCSO Jessica Southam.

Notes from the last meeting were agreed and signed ..

Matter Arising not on the Agenda

**Lamping on Ty Gwyn Farm-** Currently the population of rabbits were greatly diminished but, when the breeding season is in full swing, it may be a different situation. Val praised the Beat Manager for all his help and support

**Damage to Pillars-** These have now been repaired

**Bethal Chapel-** Although the building is in poor repair, it is privately owned and there is no current action that can be taken.

### **PACT Priorities**

#### **Min y Coed-Road Safety and Speeding Vehicles along Heol Isaf.**

Both the Police and Councillors have been monitoring the area. Several vehicles have been written cautionary letters about their speed but all have been local residents.

#### **HGVs-Weight Restrictions on Heol Isaf –**

No HGV vehicles have been stopped with regard to the weight limit. The traffic cars and Speed Van have both been checking the area.

### **Other Issues**

**Heol Isaf-Rubbish and Litter in the area-** The lane between Radyr Woods and Radyr Comprehensive needs some attention ,suggested that the School is involved as part of a Community project, perhaps involve Tidy Towns.

**Community Initiatives-** Plans are underway to improve the area around the Sidings and along Station Road. A Community Development Grant has been applied for and Disability Access is being looked at.

**Parking on Station Road-** The Civil Enforcement Officers have been up there several times all with negative results.

Residents report that down towards Kings Avenue the pavement has been lowered and cars are parking over the corner. There needs to be yellow lines around the corner to allow better access for the pedestrians.

**Crime Statistics and Policing Update.-** For the five weeks from 15<sup>th</sup> March to 19<sup>th</sup> April there have been 71 calls with 9 crimes and 4 arrests of which 18 are related to Anti Social Behaviour. The main problem area has been Station Road. With the warmer weather there has been a slight increase in Shed Burglaries. If anyone knows of any persons who would like a shed Alarm, PC Thomas has a small supply. .

**Youth Annoyance in Station Road-** There has been an increase in problems in the area, mainly between the Train Station and the Cricket Pitch. Officers have continued to control the park area but there have been no calls to the area. It would appear the youths are coming over from Llandaff North and Pentyrch (parents have been spoken to). There has been 13 Anti Social Behaviour orders given out in the last 3 weeks There is an increase in Motor Cycle Annoyance around the Cricket Pitches. A fire has been set on one of the pitches causing damage. Youths are known to come down over the bridge via the foot path, there has been a lot of empty bottles found in the area. Officers have carried out high visibility patrols in the area and currently there are no problems.

Some shops had the mosquito alarms which were only audible to youngsters. These have stopped being used as there were too many complaints.

Posters are being prepared to advise shops about selling alcohol to underage youths and also to customers about buying alcohol and supplying them as well. Councillor McKerlich advised that a resident had reported to him that several youths who were drinking and believed to be on drugs had been racially abusive to local residents. He would like this matter reported to the Council, Licensing and to the Police. The problem times is after 8pm most evenings. Officers will follow up. It was asked that when the traffic officers come through the village they check this area as a matter of course. PC Thomas advised that there was a new tracking system being used and this area had been highlighted to all officers to stop and check the areas when passing.

An operation order has been put in place for the next 8 weeks

Huw Thomas asked if there were any other areas, advised around the Creigiau Inn was also a problem area after 9pm.

Residents asked about how the Anti Social Behaviour process worked, Huw Thomas explained the process. . .

**Police Surgery-** It is planned to conduct “Cuppa with a Copper” events in the area. This is to try and engage with members of the public who do not attend local meetings. These will be held at various locations over the following months.

**Councillors Report** - Residents have reported that Scrambler Bikes have been seen racing along the Taff Trail and causing damage to the Cricket pitch. This usually occurs most Sundays around 3.30pm.

All other matters are on the Councillors Website and will be circulated via email.

There are two other matters to discuss;-

Road surface at Bryn Derwen – This will now be done in May .

Dog Fouling- This is an ongoing problem around Morganstown Bridge and the MUGA area.. There has been two meetings with the dog warden and the Councillors. It has been agreed that more waste bins will be located in the problem area.

Local Development Plan- There has been two suggested sites in the locality.

- 1) Retail Development in Radyr Gardens
- 2) Large housing development around Gelynys Farm

Other areas being looked at are behind the Comprehensive School towards Danescourt (about four thousand houses) and a similar amount in the Pontprennau area. Next meeting planned for 9<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Any Other Business**

1/ Problem Dog- There is an ongoing problem with local residents and their dogs. This is being followed up by the Councillor and Dog Warden

2/ Speed Camera- Residents asked whether there could be a radar trap along Bryn Derwen. Advised the Council need to carry out a survey of speeding vehicles.

Residents asked if there were any statistics or data for Heol Isaf, advised they were not readily available. Police officers do have a mobile speed camera and will carry out some checks in the area. It was suggested that local residents could carry this out. Advised special training was needed and currently there was no funding or trained officers to carry this out.

### **New PACT Priorities**

- 1) Station Road-Youth Annoyance
- 2) Invitation to ask the new Sector Inspector- (Arkontopoulos ) to attend the next meeting

Date of next meeting;- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm at Old Church Rooms, Park Road.