

Notes from the Radyr and Morganstown PACT Meeting held on 30th August 2011

Sixteen attendees from, Station Road, Ty Gwyn Farm The Thatch, Pentwyn, Caesar Court, Meadowfield Way, Llwyn Drysgol, Heol isaf, Blaen y Coed, Ael y Bryn.
Chair of Panel -Ralph Vaughan, Councillor Rod McKerlich, and in attendance FLSO Cathy Mangles

Apologises from PC Huw Thomas and PCSO Tori Miller who were on other duties.
Notes from the last meeting were agreed and signed..

Matter arising.- None

PACT Priorities- Station Road-Youth Annoyance

There have been 4 calls to the area relating to youth Annoyance, 2 youths urinating and 1 fight

The police operation , FLEUR, is still ongoing and will continue throughout the summer (it is addressing youth annoyance in the whole of the rural area). Several Anti Social Behaviour letters have been issued to the local youths, Alcohol has been seized and disposed of..

Fisher Hill Way- There has been no calls to the area. Officers have engaged with the youths and there has been one call for youth annoyance and one criminal damage to motor vehicles. .

Other Issues - Playing fields at Morganstown-ASB- No problems in the area
Councillors update- Rod does a regular report which he email to individuals. He also Writes a column for the Radyr Chayne and updates the website. A few of the issues he is dealing with are:-

Taff Trail- Concerns re the amount of Knotweed that is overgrowing the path. The council has a commitment to remove this weed from residents property so no funds for pathways are available. He also had concerns at the speed that bikes go along the towpath. He is going to try and get some signage about speeding and usage of their bell. **Trees-** The ones in Wind Crescent and Station Road will be replaced before Christmas. **Railway Bridge Project-** This is moving along very slowly, as the bridge is currently owned by Network Rail and needs to be handed over to the Council either by gift or lease. The Highways Department will be refurbishing the bridge, this is currently out to tender. The disabled access is still an issue but will continue to be pursued. **Radyr Comprehensive Football pitch-** this is a bit behind schedule but should be completed by October 2011. **Blocked Drains-** Several have now been cleaned and cleared but if residents see any more which need attention please contact the councillor. **Parking on Station Road and Kings Road** – the Civil Enforcement Officers have attended the area and have issued tickets.

Taylor Wimpey- Plans have been submitted to build 10 houses on the Community Land

HGV- There was an increase in the number of vehicles going through the village due to the work on the football pitch. This should now have ceased. The quarry have also reiterated to their drivers about using Heol Isaf as a thoroughfare.

Waste Collection- This changes on the 12th September 2011

Radyr Weir- This will now generate Electricity to go into the National Grid.

Cardiff Buses- Rod is meeting with the management at Cardiff Buses to see if there can be an increased service to the area.

Radyr Library- This is on target .A plan for the new development is on display at the Library, currently there is no plan for any temporary services whilst it is being upgraded.

Retirement development by the Sidings- They are still looking for a developer for this project.

Jubilee 2012-Plans are underway by the Community Council for this event as part of the festival week.

Ragwort- Rod was thanked for removing most of the ragwort but there was still some along the bridle path.

The Chair thanked Rod for all his hard work and every thing that he does for the Community.

Crime Statistics and Policing Update.- From 14th July to 30th August there have been 100 calls with 20 crimes and 4 arrests of which 12 are related to Anti Social Behaviour. The main problem area has been Station Road.

Theft of metal has increased and can any suspicious persons please be reported to 101 with the vehicle registration number, what it was carrying and the times it was seen. The Councillor thanked all the Police for the positive local action that was taken after the problems in London.

Residents reported that a blue car was dashing around the Radyr area. Officers are aware who the driver is and he needs to be spoken to again.

Residents reported that the Car park by the Methodist church was being used as a speed track by the local youths. This usually occurred in the early evenings. They have been spoken to but they gave them a lot of verbal abuse.

New Issues - Spar –Station Road- There has been problems with youngsters intimidating the shop staff as they close up at the end of the day. An Occurrences was put on for officers to patrols the area around 10pm at night.

Radyr Comprehensive-The School was congratulated for its good exam results and its placing on The Times league table.

Community Update - The Chair advised he will be writing to the Radyr Chayne for the Christmas edition talking about underage drinking and the use of Alcohol. He also wanted to get the message across about parents taking responsibility for their youngsters when they are out and about.

It was suggested that we get Neighbourhood Watch more involved in the PACT meeting so we could have a better partnership approach.

Concerns were raised that Station Road always seemed to be a PACT priority. Does any other Community group discuss this issue, advised only when brought up .not as an agenda item.

Bridle Path - The main access onto the bridle path from Radyr is via a bridge, this is used by riders, pedestrians and walkers. There has been issues with riders not getting off their horses when walkers are going through and not giving them the consideration when animals are involved. Recently when a steward was assisting with a fun run, several riders gave him verbal abuse when he asked them to dismount, there appears to be no distinction between the bridle path and the footpath.

Can the Councillor please look at possible signage and mounting blocks at both ends of the bridge(this is by station road) . Suggested the local by laws need to checked over as well.

New PACT Priorities

- 1) Station Road-Youth Annoyance
- 2) Radyr and Morganstown area-theft of metal

Date of next meeting;- Tuesday 11th October at 7pm at Old Church Rooms, Park.Road, Radyr.

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