

Notes from Radyr and Morganstown PACT meeting held on 7th June 2011.

Panel: Chair- Ralph Vaughan, Cllr Rod McKerlich, Inspector Arkontopoulos.
Apologies from PC Huw Thomas and PCSO Jessica Southam.

20 Attendees from: Llwyn Drysol, Station Road, Drovers Way, Ty Gwyn Farm,
Pentwyn, Heol Isaf, Maes yr Awol, Park Road, Hazel Tree, Min y Coed, Graig Lwyd.

Notes from the last meeting were agreed and signed.
Matters arising not on the agenda.

PACT Priorities.

Inspector Arkontopoulos was invited to speak to the group about his aims and objectives for the Neighbourhood Policing Team. He responded to questions about any changes to the beat structure, the new policing Hub which will deal with all prisoners releasing officers to get back on the streets, the role of the PCSO (do a similar role to officers but act as the community contact with the residents. They also liaise with children and provide continuity for the community.

Discussion took place around communication- how we could improve it?. The Police have OurBobby website, newsletters, the community have the Radyr Chain which goes to every member of the community. I was agreed that there will be a regular input by the police.

A positive thank was given to the officers for all their help during Festival Week.

Station Road- Youth Annoyance.

Huw has made the traffic department and response team aware of this problem area and asked them to patrol the area. There have been several calls to the area. Residents asked if the Methodist church yard could be included as there were groups of youths drinking and using the area as a toilet.

Councillors Update.

Cllr McKerlich reiterated the Heol Isaf average speed from the speed camera, but raised concerns at the speed that motorists were going up towards the camera. It was suggested that perhaps a mini roundabout by the junction of Heol Isaf and Bryn Derwyn. This would slow down the traffic and allow exit from the road onto Heol Isaf which has always been a problem.

Crime Statistics and Policing Update.

For the five weeks from 19th April to 7th June there have been 90 calls with the 14 crimes and 8 arrests of which 29 are related to anti social behaviour. The main problem area has been Station Road and Heol Isaf.

Any other business.

1. Local development plan – This is an on going four year consultation about the sighting of new housing in the Cardiff Area. Concerns were raised that there was no discussion about what facilities will be made available to go with the developments.
2. Signage – HGV vehicles. These signs are there to advise motorists. Residents stated that it was the Pughs end that caused most concern. It was suggested that a speed reducing camera be positioned just after the motorway bridge. Rod McKerlich will check to see if the camera can be relocated or a new one installed.
3. PC Thomas was thanked for getting the bridal path reopened after it was sealed.
4. Ty Gwyn Farm- The problem with the lampers has returned.
5. Playing fields at Morganstown by the Mound field below the woods. Underage drinking, fires being lit and littering. Residents report there has been an increase in groups of youths in this area, drinking and leaving broken bottles littered around the area.

New PACT Priorities

1. Station Road- Youth annoyance
2. Playing fields at Morganstown by the Mound field below the wood, underage drinking , fires being lit and littering.

Date of next meeting- Thursday 14th July at 7pm at Old Church Rooms, Park Road.