

**RADYR & MORGANSTOWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2002**

ACTIVITY	PROGRESS	MARKS (OUT OF 10)	NEXT YEAR
<b>OLD CHURCH ROOMS</b>	Joint CC/CA management committee chaired by Cllr Sue Philpott. Won Cardiff in Bloom competition for second year running. Carpet replaced in Garth Room. Continual round of minor maintenance. Continuing improvement on bookings (leaflet drop to all houses in R&M). A few wedding bookings. Small surplus generated. But, problems with vandalism. (Surveillance via Primary School system). WI bench removed.	<b>9</b>	New cooker being installed in April. Increased promotion. Careful watch on vandalism. Enter again for Cardiff in Bloom competition.
<b>FESTIVAL WEEK</b>	Organised by David Cargill. Normal full range of activities. Increased arts and crafts content. Draw made formal (and linked to Jubilee). Carnival again run on final Saturday. Weather wonderful! Money donated to Jubilee Charities – Alzheimer's Society, Dan y Bryn Leonard Cheshire Home & Noah's Ark Appeal.	<b>9</b>	David Cargill again organising. Formal draw being repeated (50% of proceeds to George Thomas Hospice). More arts, bigger Carnival. Major concert featuring Helen Field and Jeremy Huw Williams on Wednesday, 7 May, with the support of the Arts Council of Wales. Maypole being introduced on Mayday. Pray for good weather!
<b>JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS</b>	Jointly managed with Community Council. Full range of activities over weekend, covering all ages ranges – from Teddy Bears' picnic via Jazz Concert to Firework Party. With support from the CC raised £1400 for each of the three Charities.	<b>10</b>	When do we start planning for the Diamond Jubilee?!
<b>PLANNING</b>	Joint concern with Community Council and County Councillor Marion Drake. Tried hard to get County Officers to understand concerns over Sidings 2 and further development at Radyr Gardens (supported local action group there), but planning application granted anyway. Concerns raised regarding Pilgrims' Way in Radyr Farm and access to Radyr Farm site from Windsor Road.	<b>6</b>	Continue to work with Community Council on matters of specific concern. Will be looking carefully at what happens at Sidings 2 (particularly traffic management proposals) and the Radyr Arms.
<b>NEW CONSTITUTION</b>	Research done on how to change constitution. Draft constitution produced. Discussions started with interested parties.	<b>3</b>	New constitution adopted at an EGM.
<b>THEMES 1 ARTS</b>	Arts brochure sent to all houses in R&M. European Capital of Culture bid re Roald Dahl. Bid made to Community Council re Roald Dahl. Arts content of Festival week improved. Contact made with Cinetig. Designs for floodlighting Christ Church and OCR	<b>8</b>	Continue to develop links with all Arts organisations in R&M. Develop a database of people interested in the Arts in R&M. Continue to develop awareness of Roald Dahl connection. Continue success of the enhancement of professional content in R&M Festival Week.

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	obtained. Negotiations with comprehensive School continued over major Arts venue. Arts Council Grant awarded for Festival Concert.		
<b>THEMES 2  LITTER</b>	Request to Cllr Marion Drake to investigate having a dedicated council street cleaner. Addressed Community Council on litter and dog fouling, and sought funding for e.g. signs and dog bins. Article in Radyr chain seeking volunteers to pick litter. Meetings held with Comprehensive School regarding state of Heol Isaf & Station Road. 12 'litter pickers' purchased, having failed to obtain from Cleansing Dept.	<b>5</b>	Comm. Council funding under consideration. Litter picking team established (first outing 25 March, 12 volunteers). Will meet once a month to target different areas. Graffiti also being tackled. County Council support for initiative obtained. Continue to press for dedicated street cleaner. Continue liaison with Comprehensive School. Aim for a cleaner community and more awareness of the issues.
<b>THEMES 3  'ELECTRONIC RADYR'</b>	Increased use of email for distribution of Association material – over 50% of listed members now receive material through this route. Discussions continued with Robin Williams re future ownership of site. Agreement with Community Council that this should be a joint venture. (First meeting with Community Council rep, March 2003)	<b>4</b>	Adoption of new name! Joint strategy agreed with Community Council. Existing site maintained until successor site available. Association web page published on Radyr web site. Association materials (minutes etc) available through Radyr web site. Increase in R&M organisations with a Radyr web presence. Increase in 'hits' on Radyr web site.
<b>THEMES 4  FUNDING</b>	Research carried out into funding schemes of possible use to the community. Concluded that there is no simple way of identifying the best single source for obtaining a grant for a particular project. Gained contacts in both Cardiff County Council and Voluntary Action Cardiff that can assist. County are seeking source of funds to floodlight Christ Church and the Old Church Rooms.	<b>3</b>	Theme not being continued into next year, although Association is happy to provide assistance to any group seeking funds. Generally it was noted that there is a significant reduction in the money available for grants from any source. This particularly applies to lottery money where more is being allocated for Government use.
<b>THEMES NEW  CONSERVATION AREA</b>	Agreement with Community Council that Association should lead initial phase. Contact made with County to obtain base materials for communication to residents. (Materials arrived March 2003)		Owner appointed. Appropriate research on local area completed (note: help required at least from photographic club & history society). Discussions continued with County. At least one public meeting held for residents likely to be involved, with good attendance. Case for R&M Conservation area clearly made to County and being actively considered.
<b>SPORTS</b>	Full support provided, via Vice Chairman Ken Williams, to the 'Sports Trust' initiative.	<b>10</b>	Continued support.
<b>SHOPKEEPERS</b>	Christmas trees provided to shops in Station Road	<b>8</b>	Lit Christmas trees provided. Shopkeepers take some ownership.