



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council

Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Supplementary Report

Agenda Item 16

Meeting: Full Council
Date: 21 July 2022
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County Councillor Information Update

Introduction

1. This report provides general information on recent matters of interest to the Radyr & Morganstown Community arising from the work of Cardiff Council.

Key Issues

2. Issues reported by Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones include the following:

Councillor Duties

Every councillor is expected to take an interest in some of the activities involved with the work of Cardiff Council.

I am on the Environment Scrutiny Committee and the Economy and Culture Scrutiny Committee.

I also represent Cardiff Council on the Willie Seager Memorial Homes Trust whose offices are in Morganstown.

Pension Credit

This is worth checking out, you may be entitled to it if you have a disability, or you care for someone or are looking after young children. You can get help for several things including NHS dental treatment, glasses and help towards transport costs to hospital appointments. The Pension Service Helpline in 0800 731 0469 The web address for Pension Credit is www.gov.uk/pension-credit

Redrow at Plasdwr

Smell of sewage along Clos Parc Radur road. FIRST PRIORITY

We are aware that the system is being managed better. Neither Cllr Davies nor I have received complaints about the smell for the last two weeks. Hopefully, all will now work properly. Please inform me if the smell returns.

Grassed area in front of St Philbert Street. THIRD PRIORITY

Not aware of any progress on this since June.

Signage

The signage for Plasdwr is poor. Deliveries are going missing. Emergency vehicles would have difficulties finding a specific house. No action point discussed. No signs! Of improvement during June. Need to follow up.

Restoration of road surface on Radyr Farm Road

There are plans to tarmac this from Clos Parc Radur to Heol Isaf. Been advised that this work will not be done until the work at St Philbert Street is completed.

Road surfaces not made up on the estate, such as at Clos y Fwyalchen Wen

No action point discussed. Need to follow up

Rubbish from the site blowing over Heol Isaf

A request was made that the site should make their materials more secure, so they were less likely to blow away.

A request was made that following every high wind, a sweep would be made of Heol Isaf to remove any litter blown over from the site.

The request to doing a litter sweep was accepted. Not yet happening automatically.

The Sidings

There have been several complaints from residents about the noise from the construction work at night on the Metro. These have been passed on to TfW. Both Councillors met TfW's Stakeholder Manager, TfW's Community Engagement Officer, and representatives of Amey 14th July at the Mound Field. We are aware that TfW is trying to reduce the level of activity at Fisher Hill Way. However, there will be a block of work happening starting weekend July 16th.

Morganstown

Maes y Bryn

Maes y Bryn suffers from noise coming from the M4. No further developments since June

Bethel Chapel

No further progress since June

Save Cwm Farm

The sale of the land is on hold while waiting for Probate to be sorted.

There is a project Coed Caerdydd which is involved with planting more trees in Cardiff. I have met with the officer and have arranged to meet him in Morganstown at the end of July. There is no funding for buying land from the project. I have also contacted another company to discuss the possibility of an environment grant.

The Save the Cwm Farm group has written to the Estate Agent who was dealing with the sale to express the community's interest in the land and to establish exactly what the situation is.

Concerns with the use of Gelynis Farm Lane by Enormous Low Loaders

Cllr Davies and I have met with TfW and hopefully this has now been addressed.

Fence between M4 and Maes y Crofft

This is deteriorating and in places collapsed. It has been reported. It is now on Cardiff Council's to do list.

Radyr

Wandering Litter Bin, Windsor Avenue

We have had a new bin at Windsor Avenue and the wandering bin has been given a permanent home in Ffordd Las where it had decided to stop.

Cherry Trees Windsor Crescent

Transplanting the one cherry was considered but was not an option. It has a fungal disease in its trunk. Two trees will be taken out and they will both be replaced.

Cherry Tree Dan y Bryn Avenue

There is a trunk of a cherry tree where the path goes into Dan y Bryn Woods. Will ask if it can be removed and replaced by a young cherry.

Fence down on Radyr Farm Lane by entry to Plas Y Mynach

Reported

Land Parcel between Ash Tree Close and Walnut Tree Close

Several issues, all reported. Some to do with the footpath, some to do with overgrowth and one to do with keeping the stream flowing properly.

Mud and Overgrowth on Golf Club Lane

Reported. Not yet sorted. People are welcome to download and use Cardiff Gov App to report problems to Cardiff Council. The Golf Club Lane counts as an adopted highway if anyone wants to report the overgrowth.

Playground Drover's Way SECOND PRIORITY

Heartbreakingly there has been no progress here because although the drainage work went out for tender, that did not return a good result. The Council is actively trying to find a contractor to do the work.

Throughout Radyr and Morganstown

Buses FOURTH PRIORITY

Have continued to flag up the need for a Bus Stop at Radyr Station.

Have requested that the 62 be diverted to go to Ffordd y Berlan rather than to Rhydlafer as Rhydlafer is currently being served every 15 mins by the 122 Cardiff to Tonypany bus. Discovering that what seem like simple and easy solutions are not always possible quickly because of legal restraints. Will keep pushing for improvements to the bus service.

Issues outside the Ward which affect the Ward

Danescourt Woods

Developers have made an amendment to the previous planning application to build in Danescourt Woods. This is a strip of land that acts as a green corridor alongside the river for wildlife. It is very well used by people from Radyr and Morganstown as a quicker walking route to Cardiff than using the Taff Trail. There are many reasons why this development should not be allowed. The Community Council has objected to each application made over the last few years.

Have objected to this.

Footpath 42

Following a site visit, I retracted my objection to the loss of part of the Footpath as there will be streets in the Plasdwr estate that individuals can walk along

Aryan Ghonyia

Sadly, Aryan a pupil in Radyr Comprehensive drowned in the Taff 21st June this year. He was with some of his friends playing in the river having fun. We are not sure what exactly happened, but we do know that his friends tried to save him.

His family are devastated and so are his friends.

Thank you to all who did what you could to show your support and love to the Ghonyia family. It meant a lot to them. Thank you for all the small kindnesses you are showing his family, his friends, and his classmates. I know I shall for ever remember the Welsh flag supporting the Indian flag as they flew at half-mast in Windsor Gardens.

Do please remind your children that rivers deserve respect. There are a lot of old industrial remnants lying on the floor of the Taff. It is all too easy to find yourself caught in one. There are also outlets where streams that are hidden under roads and pavements are eventually released into the river, those areas too can be unexpectedly turbulent and dangerous.

And finally!

Have a happy holiday!

Financial Implications

3. N/A. This report is for information only.

Links to Corporate Objectives

4. The Council's Annual Report confirms that the Council's objectives include delivering:

A Prosperous Community. A Resilient Community. A Healthier Community.
A More Equal Community. A Cohesive Community. A Community of Vibrant Culture & Thriving Welsh Language. A Globally Responsive Community.

5. The initiatives described in this report will help the Council understand how the work of Cardiff Council impacts on these Wales-wide sustainability goals.

Staffing Implications

6. N/A. This report is for information only.

Risk Management Implications

7. N/A. This report is for information only.

Legal Implications

8. N/A. This report is for information only.

Recommendation

9. It is **recommended** that the report is noted.