



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Summary (Notes) of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE held on 8 June 2023 at 7:00pm

This meeting was held at the Old Church Rooms, Park Road Radyr and remotely and in person in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

The minutes are subject to confirmation at the meeting to be held on 5 October 2023

Any recommendations below will be submitted to the Council on 22 June 2023

Present: Councillors Helen Lloyd Jones, Huw Onllwyn Jones and Vina Patel (all in person)

Also: David Collins (Clerk) (in person)

Absent: Councillors Allan Cook and Tyrone Davies

No public participation session took place at the meeting.

1. Appointment of Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones, seconded by Huw Onllwyn Jones and **agreed** unanimously that Councillor Allan Cook is elected as Chairman of the Committee.

It was agreed that Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones take the chair for this meeting in the absence of Councillor Allan Cook.

(Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones in the chair)

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Allan Cook (Personal) and Tyrone Davies (personal).

3. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest they had and give details of their interest.

Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones declared a non-prejudicial interest in item ENV23/7 (Environmental Update). She remained in the meeting during the discussions. She would reconsider the nature of the interest matters at Cardiff Council level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations.

4. Members of the Public Invited to Speak

No members of the public were present.

5. Terms of Reference

Members considered the terms of reference of the committee. Members noted that this committee would oversee arrangements in relation to Christmas celebrations.

The Council had previously agreed that the manner of any voting would be by show of hands and calling each name alphabetically with a response of “for” or “against” or “abstain.”

It was **Recommended** that the Terms of Reference are noted.

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 6 April 2023

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed as a correct record.

7. Environmental Update

Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones declared a non-prejudicial interest in this item as a member of Cardiff Council. She remained in the meeting during the discussions. She would reconsider the nature of the interest matters at Cardiff Council level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations.

Members considered progress in relation to various projects related to the work of the committee.

It was **Recommended** that:

- (1) a memorial plaque is installed on an existing bench at Windsor Gardens in memory of Aryan Ghoniya. Councillor Vina Patel is asked to liaise with the family on the design.
- (2) Councillor Vina Patel is asked to report back to the committee with details of design options for information boards at Radyr Woods.
- (3) further discussions are held with Jim Goodwin to obtain a detailed quotation for design options to refurbish Windsor Gardens up to a cost of £500.
- (4) the Clerk is requested to provide Members with details of progress in relation to potential improvements at Windsor Gardens previously identified by Members on site.
- (5) Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones is requested to liaise with Cardiff Council officials in relation to the provision of new bins at Windsor Gardens.
- (6) in relation to Pentwyn Park, quotations are invited to undertake works to overhanging trees and construct a new tapered wall, works are authorised to install new fencing and dead sections of an ash tree are removed
- (7) the Clerk is instructed to make further enquiries with One Voice Wales in relation to any assistance available to help the Council respond to issues arising from recent tree surveys, including any financial assistance.
- (8) in relation to Bethel Chapel, Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones is requested to submit an expression of interest in relation to any assistance available from the Community Ownership Fund, which was aimed at assisting the purchase or renovation of local assets, thereby safeguarding their future.

- (9) a report is requested from the Chairman in relation to watering of hanging baskets.
- (10) a policy is developed in relation to the flying of flags by the Council.
- (11) Welsh Water, Natural Resources Wales and Cardiff Council are approached to request a joint approach to pollution problems at the River Taff and local litter picking groups are also invited to any discussions.
- (12) an offer from Cardiff Conservation Volunteers to assist with clearance of duck ponds at Radyr Woods is accepted.
- (13) the position in relation to funding of Drovers Way play area is noted.
- (14) the current priorities of the committee are reaffirmed.
- (15) Councillor Helen Lloyd Jones is asked to liaise with Cardiff Council officials in relation to potential design solutions submitted by the Council to improve Station Road, including the potential to work with local residents.

8. Biodiversity and Action Resilience of Ecosystems Plan

The Council had agreed that monitoring of the above was undertaken by this committee. The Environment Development Plan 2020-2025 was circulated.

It was **Recommended** that the Development Plan is reported to each meeting of the committee to allow progress to be monitored.

9. Christmas Celebrations 2023

Members considered potential arrangements for Christmas 2023 in advance of more detailed discussion later in the year.

It was **Recommended** that the clerks look into the possibility of decorating an existing tree at Pentwyn Park and report back to a future meeting.

10. Dates of future meetings

Members noted that the next meeting of the committee would take place on 5 October 2023 at 7.00pm.

Members considered the need for any additional meetings, with particular regard to any arrangements to commemorate Halloween and approval of budgets.

It was **Recommended** that the Clerk discuss potential dates for any additional meetings of the committee with the Chairman, prior to submitting proposed dates to the Full Council.

The meeting closed at 7:50 pm.