



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on 6 April 2023 at 7:00pm

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

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the meeting to be held on 8 June 2023.

Any recommendations below will be submitted to the Council on 20 April 2023

Present: Councillors Allan Cook (Chair), Tyrone Davies, Helen Lloyd Jones and Huw Onllwyn Jones

Councillors Allan Cook and Tyrone Davies attended in person. Councillors Helen Lloyd Jones and Huw Onllwyn Jones participated by remote means.

Also: David Collins (Clerk)

Absent: Councillor Vina Patel

ENV22/53 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Vina Patel (personal).

ENV22/54 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 ENV22/58 (Environmental Update), ENV22/59 (Station Road Enhancement) and ENV22/63 (Tree Survey) 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.

ENV22/55 Method of Voting

It was **Recommended** that the manner of any voting at this meeting and any subsequent meetings would be by show of hands and calling each name alphabetically with a response of "for" or "against" or "abstain."

ENV22/56 Members of the Public Invited to Speak

No members of the public were present.

ENV22/57 Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 2 February 2023

The Chair introduced the minutes of the above meeting. Councillor Allan Cook proposed to accept the minutes. Councillor Tyrone Davies seconded.

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

(Note: the words, "No declarations were made." in relation to Minute ENV22/43 (Declarations of Interest) should be deleted.)

ENV22/58 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.

Issues discussed included Radyr Woods, Windsor Gardens, Pentwyn Park, Tree Surveys, Bethel Chapel, hanging baskets, Footpath at Gelynis Farm, River Pollution, flags and an option to support the installation of a defibrillator.

It was **Recommended** that:

- (1) the installation of benches at Radyr Woods is noted and the Clerk is instructed to liaise with the Friends of Radyr Woods to examine options and costs for the removal of old furniture.
- (2) DB Site Solutions are engaged to assist with the replacement of benches at Windsor Gardens with new benches made of recycled plastic and a memorial bench to **Aryan Ghoniya** is installed as soon as possible.
- (3) Councillor Vina Patel is asked to provide feedback to Members on the design of the information boards at Radyr Woods.
- (4) quotations are invited to undertake improvements at Windsor Gardens, based upon issues discussed with Members on site.
- (5) quotations are invited for fencing at Pentwyn Park.
- (6) progress in relation to Bethel Chapel is noted.
- (7) the provision of hanging baskets is noted.
- (8) objections to the diversion of Radyr No 1 footpath are not withdrawn and a site visit is requested to discuss the new layout and access to Mound Field. The introduction of a lift to facilitate access over the railway line is also supported.
- (9) the Union Flag and Welsh Dragon are flown at the war memorial to commemorate the coronation of HM King Charles III and a Flag Policy is brought to Members for consideration.

- (10) 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.
- (11) an offer from County Councillor Calum Davies to install a defibrillator at the Guides venue on Bryn Derwen is welcomed and the running costs are met by the Community Council. Training to be examined by the Clerk.

ENV22/59 Station Road Enhancement

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.

Following discussion with Cardiff Council officials, the committee considered a number of potential schemes which could form the basis of further discussion. Members also suggested other potential projects to improve pedestrian safety and parking. Members expressed concern at a recent accident near Radyr Station and considered that arrangements to improve safety in this area to be a priority.

It was **Recommended** that details of all of the potential projects identified by Members are referred to Cardiff Council for further discussion.

ENV22/60 Proposed Fire Pitt at Radyr Woods

Members considered a proposal from Radyr Methodist Church.. There was interest in the proposal from a local school.

Members considered the observations of Radyr Wardens

It was **Recommended** that no action is taken.

ENV22/61 Date of next meeting:

Members noted that the next meeting of the committee would take place on 8 June 2023 at 7.00pm

ENV22/62 Exclusion of the Press & Public

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was **agreed** that the following matter be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 be exercised.

ENV22/63 Tree Survey

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 gave further consideration to details of a tree survey undertaken by TR33 at various sites managed by the Council. Members discussed options for addressing the issues raised.

Members also considered a request from a local resident to plant a tree near the entrance to Dan y Bryn Woods.

It was **Recommended** that:

- (1) the Clerk approach One Voice Wales to enquire if other councils had received support for works such as those identified in the tree survey.
- (2) the request to plant a tree near the entrance to Dan y Bryn Woods is supported.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

SIGNED

CHAIRMAN ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE