

Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of the MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL held on Thursday, 18 June 2015 at 7:30pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors S McKerlich, St Leger, Morgan, Evans, Hallinan, Suthers, Davies, Vaughan, Dubberley, R McKerlich

PCSO Laura Smith

In attendance: Helena Fox

- 14.738 To receive the Chairman's Report: Cllr Hallinan congratulated the WW1 team on the exhibition which was fantastic with a great turnout of around 900 visitors. She thanked Cllrs Diment, Evans, St Leger and S McKerlich for all their hard work. Cllr Hallinan had attended on all three days and said the experience was truly memorable. She had also attended a Morganstown Village Hall meeting where she suggested they might apply for a Lottery Grant to extend the building. Cllr Hallinan had met with the Clerk to discuss the Village Plan follow-up.
- **14.739** To receive apologies for absence : Cllrs Diment, Nicholas
- **14.740** To make declarations of interest: There were none.
- **14.741** To receive the Minutes of the Meeting held on May 21 2015: The Chairman introduced the minutes of the meeting held on May 21 which were proposed as a true record for signature by Cllr Morgan, seconded by Cllr R McKerlich.
- **14.742 Meeting adjourned Members of the public invited to speak:** PCSO Laura Smith presented recent crime figures that are filed with these minutes. Cllr Hallinan thanked her for attending.
- **14.743 To receive the Clerk's Report :** The accounts and Annual Return have been completed. The WW1 project was supported at some length. The LDP final consultation is underway and the draft response is being worked on. Problems with the website appear to be resolved. The workload continues to grow.
- **14.744 To receive the County Councillor's Report:** The report for June was circulated in advance and is filed with these Minutes.

Cllr Dubberley joined the meeting and Cllr Hallinan welcomed her to her first full Council meeting.

- 14.745 To receive Councillors' Reports:
- **14.745.1** Cllr Suthers had attended a meeting to discuss the opt out/in issue of organ donation.
- **14.745.2** Cllr Morgan had attended a Morganstown Village Hall committee meeting and the WW1 exhibition.
- **14.745.3** Cllr St Leger had worked extensively on the WW1 project.
- **14.745.4** Cllr Evans had worked extensively on the WW1 project including a presentation at Ysgol Gynradd Gwaelod y Garth. She had also received comments from residents about the poor view for pedestrians at the roundabout by Radyr Station from Kings Road.
- **14.745.5** Cllr Davies had worked on the WW1 project.

- **14.745.6** Cllr S McKerlich had worked extensively on the WW1 project including a presentation at Ysgol Gynradd Gwaelod y Garth with Cllr Evans and Ruth Diment. She had attending a meeting about Standing Orders. Radyr Library's reading challenge is aiming to break a record breaking and Cllr McKerlich will be there on behalf of R&MCC as a witness.
- **14.745.7** Cllr Dubberley had worked on the WW1 project.
- **14.745.8** Cllr Vaughan had worked on the WW1 project. He congratulated all involved. He had attended an RMA meeting where cancer treatment in S Wales was discussed.
- **14.746** To receive Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held June 4 2015: Cllr Davies proposed that the Minutes of the meeting held on June 4 be accepted and adopted. Seconded by Cllr Dubberley. All agreed
- **14.747** To receive Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held June 4 2015: Cllr Evans proposed that the Minutes of the meeting held on June 4 be accepted and adopted. Seconded by Cllr S McKerlich. All agreed
- **14.747.1** The Clerk has trimmed back the cherry in the OCR garden.
- **14.747.2** Cadw will now pay the next instalment of £264 (£132 for 2015-16 and £132 for 2016-17) of a payment towards maintenance of the Scheduled Ancient Monument in Radyr Woods.
- **14.747.3** The Clerk is gathering advice on next steps re the car park at Pentwyn Park and has spoken with the insurance lawyers. Cardiff Council will be contacted again about a remedial notice.
- 14.748 To receive the Internal Auditor's Report for 2014-15: This had been circulated in advance and was received. It was RESOLVED to continue to complete the accounts on the basis of Income and Expenditure.
- **14.749 To approve R&MCC's accounts for 2014-15:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the accounts. These were then signed by Cllr Hallinan, Cllr Davies and the Clerk.
- **14.749.1** The Responsible Finance Officer's report was received.
- **14.749.2** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Supplementary Statement and this was signed.
- **14.749.3** The actual expenditure for 2014-15 against budget with reserves was received.
- **14.750 To complete the Annual Governance Statement for 2014-15:** It was **RESOLVED** to complete and approve the Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return.
- **14.751 To approve the Annual Return for 2014-15:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Annual Return. This was then signed by Cllr Hallinan, having already been signed by the Clerk and Internal Auditor.
- **14.752 To adopt reviewed Standing Orders including a Co-option Policy:** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the amended Standing Orders. The Co-option Policy was left to the next meeting.
- 14.753 To authorise transfer of funds between the current and deposit Unity Trust Bank accounts: It was RESOLVED to delegate powers to the Clerk to transfer funds and leave a reasonable balance in the current account.
- **14.754 To adopt a grant application and notes forms:** It was **RESOLVED** to re-visit this at the July Finance Committee.
- **14.755 To receive a review of Internal Audit and adopt the Audit Programme:** It was **RESOLVED** to revisit this at the July meeting.
- **14.756 To receive an update on the WW1 project:** Cllr Diment submitted the report below in his absence.
- **14.756.1** Cllr Hallinan thanked Cllr Diment and his team for their tremendous achievement. There was general agreement that the event had been a great success and wonderfully well attended with some 900 visitors and 31 volunteers.

- **14.756.2** Cllr St Leger thanked Cllrs S McKerlich and Evans and Ruth Diment for their very hard work in staging the display for children.
- **14.756.3** Cllr S McKerlich thanked the Clerk and Assistant Clerk for their support throughout.

Cllr Diment's report:

I'm sure you will all agree this was a most successful event. There was trepidation on my part after a fairly low turn out at our launch event last October and the delayed distribution of the Radyr Chain. However with a lot of drive and determination from the committee the result on the weekend was fantastic.

I feel it is appropriate to acknowledge the huge contribution David Warren made to the success of this event. His research and knowledge in the military field produced a wealth of material on the military past of both Radyr and Morganstown. He was the instigator in bringing the re-enactment society as well as the genealogy researches to the event which added a very professional touch.

The home front and activities sourced by Sally, Sue and Ruth certainly added a great dimension to the event and catered extremely well for the children. Punch and Judy was one of the highlights and rounded off the whole weekend. (The R M A 's BBQ team certainly enjoyed Punch's antics judging by their facial expressions!!!) The profit raised by the R M A on the sale of refreshments will be going to their chosen charity.

A big thank you to Helena, Julie and Thomas for their support, particularly over the weekend, and to the Councillors who willing gave up their time.

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- **14.757 To receive an update on the OCR project**: The application to the Aggregate Levy Fund Wales was considered by the ALFW Panel on 5 June. The Panel's recommendations were put to the Minister for Natural Resources for his approval earlier this week. The Minister normally takes one week to respond. As soon as he does, and there are no problems, ALFW will send the Clerk an email setting out his decision on our application. ALFW's aim is to get a formal decision letter to us by 30 June.
- **14.758** To congratulate the RMA on receipt of The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service: It was **RESOLVED** to write a letter of congratulation to the RMA on this prestigious and well-deserved award.
- 14.759 To receive an update on Japanese Knot Weed and Radyr Woods: JKN is causing more problems along the back of Fisher Hill Way. The latest enquiry was from solicitors acting for the developers of the new flats at the southern end of the road. The Clerk has explained that the development overlooks Hermit's Wood which is owned and managed by Cardiff. It is proving extremely difficult to determine ownership of the slope between Fisher Hill Way and Radyr Woods. R&MCC's responsibility runs from the bottom of that slope and does not, to the best of the Clerk's belief, include the slope.
- **14.759.1** Cllrs R McKerlich, St Leger and Davies will visit the site.
- **14.759.2** The Clerk will check progress with the developer's solicitors.
- 14.760 To receive an update on the Insurance Claim re Windsor Gardens and decide on any issues requested by the Council's solicitor: It was RESOLVED to approve the defence statement.
- **14.761 To receive an update on the work of the NWC Group**: Cllr Suthers had spoken with members of the NWCG who are quite pessimistic about the outcome of the latest LDP consultation. NWCG meets on June 23 and a response will be worked on and submitted. The Metro financing is not clear and its implementation seems less likely than it did.
- **14.761.1** Cllr R McKerlich noted that re S106 levels, it had been thought that this might be less under the LDP. Simon Gilbert of CCC said that new legislation tightened up S106

- retrospectively for five years but it does not change the quantum levied. It is necessary to be more prescriptive on how money will be spent but is unlikely to make any practical difference.
- **14.761.2** The final consultation runs from June 11 July 23 on what's called the Matters Arising Changes (MAC) Schedule, ie all the points the Inspectors asked Cardiff to answer during the Examination earlier this year. It is likely to be quite technical and the main document is 265 pages with a further 230+ pages in other documents.
- **14.762 To discuss the report from Welsh Government on Community and Town Councils:** This was noted.
- 14.763 To decide on any Planning Matters: There were no comments to make.
- 14.764 To be advised of any correspondence:
- **14.764.1** Welsh Government: borrowing approval in principle
- **14.764.2** Welsh Government: consultation on Developments of National Significance. A response will be drafted.
- 14.764.3 Welsh Government: Public Health (Wales) Bill : provision of public conveniences
- **14.764.4** Radyr Comprehensive School: youth members.

14.765 To sign cheques and approve payments for June 2015: The following payments were approved:

Voucher		Payee	Amount :
no.	Cheque		£
	no.		
1961	DD	Gas	
1962	DD	Electricity	
1963	DD	Phone	
1964-	EB	Staff	1873.43
1967			
1968	EB	Lloyds Commercial Finance:	774.78
1969	EB	CCC Pension	545.89
1970	300089	Park Road Nursery	140.00
1971	300090	DB Site Solutions	910.00
1972	300091	David Barnard	312.00
1973	300092	Adenhart:	102.00
1974	300093	Arthur John & Co: Radyr Woods	96.00
1975	300094	Sue McKerlich	30.88
1976	300095	Sally Evans	15.70
1977	300096	Inland Revenue: Post Office Ltd	390.10
1978	300097	J&P Davison	209.00
1979	300098	Orien UK Ltd	157.20

14.766 Date of next Meeting will be on Thursday July 2 and July 16 2015