

## Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday, January 8 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Cllrs R McKerlich, S McKerlich, St Leger, Marsh, Diment, Evans

Jim Goodwin

In attendance: Helena Fox

- **14.474 Apologies for Absence:** There were none.
- **14.475 Declaration of Interest:** There were none.
- 14.476 To discuss matters relating to Radyr Woods:
- 14.476.1 A site meeting was held with Cadw at the Mound in Radyr Woods. More clearing of the undergrowth was requested. The Wardens have done what they can manage. Further work is beyond the Wardens abilities and a quote will be sought.
- **14.476.2** There has been some tree felling in Orchard Field, at the back of the level area below the flats on Fisher Hill Way. The work was done professionally.
- **14.476.3** Work on the boardwalk will start in January.
- **14.476.4** Hermit Wood is deteriorating rapidly. Trees have come down and litter is accumulating.
- **14.476.5** The next working party will be set towards the end of January.
- 14.477 To make a recommendation about the future of Cardiff in Bloom: Without a sponsor, Cardiff in Bloom is likely to be cancelled. It was started in 1987 by Mr Goodwin when he worked for Cardiff Council. Following a discussion it was recommended that no action be taken to support Cardiff in Bloom, despite valuing the programme in principle.
- To make a recommendation about the siting of wildflower areas in R&M: These both reduce grass cutting and support the local bee population. Most local authorities in the UK are moving towards wildflower planting along verges. 2014 sowings in Cardiff were late and the wildflowers did not establish well. It was recommended that wildflower areas be considered at the southern and northern ends of Heol Isaf/Main Road in R&M and any roundabouts, with extra poppy seeds during the WW1 commemoration. A proper management regime is encouraged using indigenous species. Protection will be requested for the primroses on the Llantrisant Road verges.
- **To discuss matters relating to Windsor Gardens:** The ash seedlings need to be checked.
- **14.479.1** The Christmas tree has been removed.

- **To discuss matters relating to Pentwyn Park:** There was nothing to report. The Clerk will contact the solicitor for an update.
- **To discuss matters relating to Parc Radur:** Cllr R McKerlich had met with Cardiff officers to try to simplify the bureaucracy for holding events during the Festival. There was no way to do this beyond making a template response and the RMA will be contacted.
- **To discuss matters relating to Danybryn Woods:** There was nothing to report.
- **To discuss matters relating to Radyr Sidings:** The community plot is expected to be transferred back to Network Rail shortly.
- **To make recommendations to the Finance Committee for 2015-16:** The committee recommended the draft budget.
- **14.485** To review and make recommendations on any planning matters: There was nothing to discuss.
- **14.486** To put forward any items for the next meeting: Entry signs for R&M.
- **14.487** Date of next meeting: Thursday, February 5 2015 at 7:00pm.