



## **Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cynghor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan**

Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday, October 1 2015 at 8:00 pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Cllrs St Leger, Evans, S McKerlich, Hallinan, Vaughan, Lloyd Jones  
Jim Goodwin and Ray Rivron for Friends of Radyr Woods

In attendance: Helena Fox

**14.909 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Diment

**14.910 Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Evans declared an interest in Windsor Crescent.

**14.911 To sign the minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes will be signed at the next meeting because of a printer problem.

**14.912 To discuss matters relating to Radyr Woods:**

14.912.1 The Friends of Radyr Woods have been awarded a Level 4: Thriving award under the 'It's your Neighbourhood' category of Wales in Bloom. Congratulations to everyone involved who works so hard to keep this increasingly valuable local resource in such good condition. It was recommended that the award certificate be placed in Radyr Library.

14.912.2 The Friends will meet in the next week or two.

14.912.3 The Japanese Knot Weed will be treated again shortly.

14.912.4 Cllr Lloyd Jones noted that there had been a lot of rubbish in the woods lately and a new bin would be helpful close to the entrance from Woodfield Avenue. Mr Goodwin explained that this had been considered before but there is the issue of emptying it. The bin at the top car park is emptied by Cardiff Council.

14.912.5 Cllr S McKerlich noted that there have been numerous conversations with Radyr Comprehensive School to control their own litter that blows into the woods and is dropped by pupils. Another school liaison meeting is due to take place shortly and the litter will be raised plus the brambles that over-grow the footpath between the school and Danescourt.

14.912.6 The Wardens have a long-established and rota of litter picking with twice-weekly visits. That is all they can physically do.

**14.913 To discuss matters relating to Windsor Gardens:**

14.913.1 A quote to cut back the rhododendron for £125.00 was received, the Clerk had arranged for the work to be done which has now started.

**14.914 To discuss matters relating to Pentwyn Park:** No new information had been received about the car park.

**14.915 To discuss matters relating to Danybryn Woods:**

14.915.1 Spraying of Japanese Knot Weed has reduced the patch considerably and will be sprayed again as the plants start to die-back. The patch will be sprayed again shortly.

- 14.916 To discuss matters relating to Radyr Sidings:** There was nothing new.
- 14.917 To discuss arrangements for Christmas trees:** Cllrs St Leger and Diment will check the lights. Meetings are scheduled to discuss the lighting event for December 4. The Clerk will confirm the lighting arrangements with FES.
- 14.918 To discuss residents' concerns about parking in Windsor Crescent:** Cllr Evans reported that she had been approached by a resident interested in the possibility of a resident-only parking scheme in Windsor Crescent. This may be affected by the plans for Radyr Station. It was recommended to wait for the new parking guidelines to be issued by Cardiff Council.
- 14.918.1 Cllr Vaughan noted that he had requested the parking enforcement team attend Radyr and they do not stay long enough to be effective.
- 14.919 To review and make recommendations on any planning matters:**
- 14.919.1 15/02157/MNR: Land north and south of Llantrisant Road: The Clerk had circulated a draft response and the committee approved the letter. The Clerk will look at strengthening the issues re hedges and ridge heights. A template will be put on the website for residents to use.
- 14.919.2 S106 Agreements: Cllr Dubberley had sent the Clerk a list of suggested projects to be considered.
- 14.920 To put forward any items for the next meeting:**
- 14.920.1 Control of Himalayan Balsam in Radyr Woods
- 14.921 Date of next meeting:** Thursday, November 5 2015 at 7:45pm.