



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

### **Summary of Full Council Meeting on 17 June 2021 at 7:00pm.**

#### **Present:**

Cllr Huw Onllwyn Jones (Chair), Cllr Allan Cook, Cllr Tyrone Davies, Cllr Rod McKerlich, Cllr Clive Morgan, Cllr Vina Patel, Cllr David Suthers, Cllr Myles Vatsaloo, Cllr Ralph Vaughan, Michelle Lenton-Johnson

#### **Apologies for absence:**

Cllr Julia Charles,

#### **Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr M Vatsaloo declared a close friendship with a Cardiff Council official working on the HGV gateway in Radyr & Morganstown. The gateway was noted in the County Councillor's report at the meeting.

#### **Decisions taken at the meeting:**

**Annual Return for Year Ended 31 March 2021:** Members agreed to hold an Extraordinary Meeting on 30 June 2021 to receive and approve the End of Year Accounts and Annual Return for 2020/21.

**Community Councillor Vacancy – Co-option Procedure:** Members agreed that the Notice of Co-option would be published in the following week with a period of one month for applications. Interviews will be scheduled for September. Cllrs Davies, Jones, Suthers and Vatsaloo will be on the co-option panel.

**Tree Maintenance:** Members agreed to undertake recommended work to two trees affected by Ash Die-back in Radyr Woods. One tree is to be removed as it is mostly dead; the other will have maintenance work and will be monitored. Members also agreed to look into support for managing the spread of Ash Die-back in Radyr Woods from Cardiff Council. Members further agreed to commission a tree surgeon to inspect a number of trees at Dan y Bryn Woods and on land close to Ffordd Las. Members also confirmed that tree branches overhanging a neighbouring property at Pentwyn Park could be removed.

**Japanese Knotweed at Ffordd Treforgan:** Members agreed that the Clerks would do a Land Registry search to identify who owns the parcel of land where Japanese Knotweed is growing and to contact the landowner to request that action be taken.

**Litter and pollution in the River Taff:** Members agreed to write to Mark Drakeford MS to ask for support for tackling litter and pollution in the River Taff.

**Station Road Hanging Baskets:** Members approved a contract with Welsh Water for water supply for the hanging baskets in Station Road.

**Old Church Rooms – Non-domestic rates:** Members agreed to seek advice from One Voice Wales on the eligibility of community centres for rates relief.

**RMCC Civic Reception:** Members confirmed that the RMCC Civic Reception will be held on 12 September, subject to any Coronavirus restrictions in place at the time.

**R&M Festival Fete:** Members agreed to have an RMCC Stall at the R&M Festival Fete on 25 September.

**Anti-Social Behaviour:** In response to recent anti-social behaviour, Members agreed to request regular patrols by the local police and British Transport Police. Members will also undertake a site visit to the riverbank area where some people are gathering and will assess the impact on nearby housing. Members will also consider support for young people, to be discussed by the Youth Engagement Working Group. A webpage on the RMCC website to provide information and contact details for responding to anti-social behaviour will be developed.

**Transport for Wales work in Morganstown:** Members have been invited to suggest ideas for community benefits. It was agreed that Morganstown residents should also be consulted about community benefits.

**Improvements to Station Road area:** Members agreed to request a further meeting with Cardiff Council to discuss improvements that might be possible. Further consultation with the community on ideas for Station Road will take place in September using the RMCC stall at the R&M Festival Fete.

**RMCC Grant for Cardiff Corinthians FC:** Members agreed that the conditions set for the grant had been met and the grant payment of £2,000 towards the cost of the installation of shutters on the stand could now be made, subject to receiving written confirmation from the club.

**Review of accountancy services:** Members agreed to retain the current accountancy service provider with a further review to next take place in November 2022.

**Payment card for RMCC bank account:** Members agreed to set up a payment card to be used by the Clerk only for essential and approved payments where a direct debit or online bank transfer is not possible and with financial procedures to be agreed by Finance Committee.

**Finance matters:** Members approved the RMCC Accounts to 31 May 2021 and the schedule of payments made by the Council in May. The List of Variable Direct Debits and Regular Payments by BACS for 2021/22 were approved.

**Note:** This Meeting Summary aims to provide key information to the public on decisions made at Community Council meetings as soon as is reasonably practicable and within seven working days of the meeting. The full and official record of Council Meetings (the Minutes) is usually approved by Members at the following Council Meeting and is published shortly after.