



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

Minutes of a MEETING of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020 **7.00pm** at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Cllrs Ralph Vaughan, Huw O Jones, Helen Lloyd Jones, Kieran Webster

In Attendance: Julie Hopkins, Lynne Thomas, Jim Goodwin (Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens)

**44 To receive apologies for absence:** None

**45 To make declarations of Interest:** None

**46 To note the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020:** The Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Environment meeting were approved and signed at the 3rd October Full Council meeting as an accurate record and were duly noted.

**47 To receive an update:** The Chair's Report was circulated to Members in advance of the meeting. **Appendix A** (filed with these Minutes). The Report was received and noted. Cllr Ralph Vaughan gave the Committee a verbal overview.

**(i) Radyr Woods**

**Tree Work:** Jim Goodwin has identified four trees that require urgent attention. R&MCC have received one quote for this work and another quote is required.

**Furniture:** The benches in Radyr Woods are in very poor condition and need to be replaced. There are 6 benches that require replacing. It was agreed to replace the benches with Black recycled plastic ones. Two benches would be replaced initially.

**Action:** Clerk to research the cost of recycled plastic benches.

**Coppicing:** A further session of coppicing is required in Radyr Woods before the bird nesting season if possible.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Cardiff Conservation Volunteers for available dates.

**(ii) Windsor Gardens:**

**Notice Board:** The Clerks are currently researching a replacement notice board for Windsor Gardens.

**(iii) Pentwyn Park:**

**Retaining Wall Update:** The Risk Assessment Register have been received from the Designer and will be forwarded to the Building Surveyor.

**Excess Water in the Park:** There is an area of grass that is continually wet and R&MCC are unable to find the source. Welsh Water visited Pentwyn Park on 27<sup>th</sup> January to survey the area. They reported that there was no sign of any leaks and the wet was due to current weather conditions. There are no mains pipes running

through the area. It was agreed that R&MCC will monitor this and revert back to Welsh Water should any further problems arise.

- (iv) **Dan-y-Bryn Woods:** R&MCC have budgeted for planting young Alders and Oaks but it was pointed out by Jim Goodwin that some “understorey” work and coppicing is required before planting young trees as there is insufficient light for them to grow at present. Jim Goodwin has agreed to advise R&MCC on this.
- (v) **Ffordd Treforgan - Bench:** Cllr Kieran Webster has identified three locations along Ffordd Treforgan to locate a bench. Cllr Webster will send a map identifying the three locations to the Clerks, to enable them to check ownership of the land.
- (vi) **Recycling Bins – Station Road:** Cllr Huw O Jones has contacted Cardiff Council but has yet to receive a response. Cllr H O Jones will chase this up with a further email.

**48 Any other business with prior consultation with the Chair:**

Cllr Helen Lloyd Jones has contacted Cooke & Arkwright regarding ownership of land along Taff Terrace. Cooke & Arkwright have confirmed that they do not own the land and that it is an unadopted highway.

Cllr Huw O Jones asked what else could be done in Windsor Gardens to make it look more appealing. Suggestions were made to plant flowers along the borders or install some more planters. Could a small working group be set up to look at this. Jim Goodwin will meet with Cllrs Ralph Vaughan and Huw O Jones to put forward ideas.

**49 To put forward any items for the next meeting: None**

**50 Date of next meeting:** The next Environment Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020.

**Meeting Closed at 7.45pm**