



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday 1 July 2021 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Ralph Vaughan, Cllr Huw Onllwyn Jones, Cllr Vina Patel

In Attendance: Lynne Thomas (Clerk), Julie Hopkins (Assistant Clerk), Mike Clarke (Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens)

- 27 To receive apologies for absence:** Cllr M Vatsaloo
- 28 To make declarations of Interest:** Cllr A Cook, Penrhys Pilgrimage
- 29 To note the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 June 2021:** The Minutes of the 3 June 2021 Environment meeting were approved at the 17 June 2021 Full Council meeting as an accurate record and were duly noted.
- 30 Update on Radyr Woods:** The Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens provided an update.
- (i) The Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens met with Cllr V Patel to discuss the new Information Boards in Radyr Woods. See item 32 below.
 - (ii) The Wardens are waiting for an answer regarding erecting a timber fence around the container to securely store timber which is currently stored elsewhere.
Action: Cllr R Vaughan to arrange a site visit for Members.
 - (iii) Cardiff Conservation Volunteers will be asked to assist with repairs to the Bridge for the J Scott Memorial. Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens will contact CCV to discuss the design.
 - (iv) The Cooking Mound needs strimming.
Action: Clerks to ask DB Site Solutions to look at this.
 - (v) The Wardens have carried out a number of working parties which have been successful. They have about 30 volunteers who carry out litter picks throughout the Woods.
 - (vi) The Chair of RWW asked when the Ash Trees would be dealt with. R&MCC will ask Cardiff Council to assist with this. If this is not possible R&MCC will need to obtain new quotes for the work.
Action: Clerks to contact Cardiff Council.
 - (vii) The location for the disabled bench would be towards the orchard field, close to Kingfisher Pond.
 - (viii) The Chair of RWW mentioned they would like more Wardens. R&MCC will put this appeal on their website and in the Radyr Chain.
Action: Publicity Group.
- 31 To receive an update:** The Chair's Report was circulated to Members in advance of the meeting. The Report was received and noted. Cllr R Vaughan asked Members if they had any questions on the Report. No questions from Members.
- 32 Radyr Woods Information Boards:** Cllr V Patel met with the Chair of Radyr Woods Wardens to discuss the content of the Information Boards. Suggestions discussed were the wording for the boards, the rules, a link to Friends of Radyr Woods website, is there a need for a Board at the Danescourt entrance. Environment Committee agreed that this should

go to July FC meeting with costs for design of the boards and the content of the Information boards.

- 33 J Scott Memorial Bridge in Radyr Woods:** Cardiff Conservation Volunteers will be asked to assist with the repairs to the bridge at the Cooking Mound. As CCV lost many of their tools in the fire at Forest Farm, it was agreed to put out an appeal to Members for the loan of tools. Cllr V Patel would provide details for a Lending Library of Items.

Cllr A Cook joined the meeting.

- 34 Landscaping in Windsor Gardens:** Members agreed to carry out a consultation at the Festival Fete in September using leaflets and a website survey to gauge what residents would like to see in Windsor Gardens. The closing date for the consultation will be 30th September. Members agreed to put together a leaflet. Members noted an offer of assistance with landscaping at a cost of £500 and agreed to advertise further for volunteers in the community to assist with designs.

- 35 Campaign to support hedgehog habitats:** Environment Committee agreed ask FC to support and promote the Hedgehog Street Campaign to raise awareness of hedgehog habitats and to promote on websites, schools, Radyr Chain and the Festival Fete stall in September.

36 Any other business, with prior consultation with the Chair:

- (i) Cllr H O Jones asked about holding a competition to promote Biodiversity. This might include making Bat boxes and Bird boxes.
- (ii) Penrhys Pilgrimage Project were awarded a grant in 2019 of up to £3,000 for Way Markers. There is a small amount left and they have asked if this can be spent on community artwork which has been produced by Students at Radyr Comprehensive School. The artwork will be printed on aluminium sheets and displayed on the railings along the footpath close to Hermit Wood. Environment Committee agreed to recommend this to July FC meeting.

- 37 Items for the next meeting:** None

- 38 Date of next meeting:** Thursday 7 October 2021 at 7.00pm.

Meeting Closed at: 8.10pm