



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council

Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of PLANNING COMMITTEE on 15 February 2021 at 7.00pm

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020

Present: Cllrs Huw Onllywn Jones, Helen Lloyd Jones, Rod McKerlich, Myles Vatsaloo, Ralph Vaughan.

Clerk: Lynne Thomas

In Attendance: Cllrs Julia Charles, Allan Cook and Kieran Webster; two members of the public – to Minute No. 13(i) only.

9. Apologies for absence

None

10. Declarations of interest

None

11. Minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2020

Members noted the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 November, as approved at Full Council on 19 November.

Minute No.7: Planning application 20/01897/MJR - Cllr R McKerlich reported that he was still waiting for a reply in response to concerns raised regarding the proposed SUDS (Sustainable Urban Drainage System) at St Philbert Street.

12. Meeting adjourned: Members of the public present invited to speak

Two members of the public requested the opportunity to comment on Planning Application 21/00235/MJR.

13. Current Planning Applications

(i) **21/00235/MJR**: New vehicular and pedestrian bridge over the Radyr-Pontypridd railway line and associated infrastructure and removal of part of a ruined farm building – Land either side of Radyr-Pontypridd railway line at Gelynys Farm, Ty Nant Road, Morganstown, Cardiff CF15 8LB.

Members had a wide ranging discussion on the concerns raised by the application for the bridge at Gelynys Farm, including issues raised by the two members of the public present and Cllr K Webster. Planning Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council:

- That RMCC acknowledge the existing crossing at the railway line needs to close for public safety.
- That RMCC object to the application on the grounds that the scale and specification of the bridge as proposed is excessive given the nature of the site and the existing use of the crossing by pedestrians and a limited number of vehicles.
- That RMCC request further consideration of the alternative option of a small, low cost bridge over the River Taff linking to Iron Bridge Road for the limited number of vehicles that require access to Gelynis Farm and other facilities near the farm, accompanied by a footbridge over the railway line suitable for pedestrians and cyclists.
- That RMCC agree that a bridge further to the north (at Ty Nant Court/Pugh's Garden Centre) is not desirable on the grounds that it could result in a loss of land, leading to a negative impact on the businesses located there - and could facilitate further housing development in an area where there are environmental concerns and a flood risk.
- That RMCC request restrictions be put in place on the use of the lane from Ty Nant Road as this lane is unsuitable for heavy traffic. In addition, no traffic associated with the Transport for Wales works should be permitted to use the lane in order to protect the safety of pedestrians and cyclists and the well-being of residents who live along the lane.
- That RMCC request measures be put in place to monitor, protect and restore the ecology of the site both during and after any construction works.

(ii) **20/02615/DCH:** Erection of a detached garage with room over – Upper Barn, Radyr Farm Road, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8EL

Planning Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that no objection be raised.

(iii) **21/00183/MJR:** Partial discharge of Condition 41 (Historic Farm Building Recording) of 14/02733/MJR in respect of Ty Gwyn Farm.

Planning Committee agreed to invite Cllr Allan Cook to write a note about the historical and community value of Ty Gwyn Farm and to recommend to Full Council that RMCC respond to the consultation noting the report and to request that the community value of the farm buildings also be considered.

13. RMCC response to Transport for Wales plans: construction compounds and bridge

Cllrs H Jones and R McKerlich provided an update on recent discussions with Transport for Wales. Progress is being made on legacy benefits for the community but more work is needed on the mitigation of detrimental impacts on residents.

Cllr R McKerlich will identify an appropriate officer to contact at Cardiff Council for discussing the possibility of a Morganstown Halt.

14. RMCC participation in Cardiff Council consultations on the Replacement LDP

Members received an update from Cllr H Jones on conversations with two volunteer planners that have offered assistance with the LDP consultation process.