

NEWSLETTER TO MEMBERS – FEBRUARY 2021

Cardiff Local Development Plan

At the Association meeting on 1st February we mentioned the Cardiff Local Development Plan (LDP) and that we were working with the North West Cardiff Group (NWCG), which brings together local communities on this side of the city, to formulate a response both to the initial consultation on process now and, over the next year or so, on the wider review of the LDP's content. We asked if anyone might be interested in working with us on this and have received a positive response – but more helpers would always be welcome.

More information about the LDP review process is now available on [our website](#) including the initial responses from the RMA and the NWCG.

You will gather that we do have concerns with both the review process and the content of the existing LDP. We will be putting together a plan for our engagement with the review shortly. In the mean time, please get in touch if you have any comments.

We should add that we think it essential that we keep working with the NWCG because, if we want to stand any chance of modifying Cardiff Council's proposals, local communities need to work together.

Transport for Wales (TfW)

We have been asked by TfW if we would like to host an update meeting on the Metro, Morganstown Compounds and Bridge at Gelynis Farm around the end of March. We know this is still a controversial subject for our Community but we are happy to set up an open meeting if you, our members, would find it useful. Please let us know your thoughts.

The planning application for the "New vehicular and pedestrian bridge over the Radyr – Pontypridd Railway Line..." is now out for consultation via the [Cardiff Council Planning Portal](#) with a closing date for consultation responses of 11 March 2021

May & September Festivals

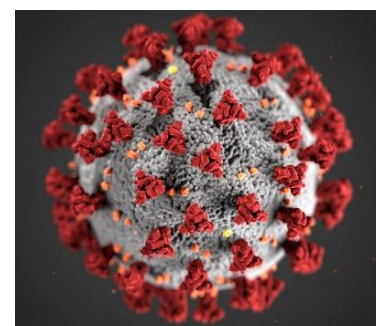
We thought it is worth repeating what was said at the last General Meeting. We are now planning on arranging a 'Mini-May Festival' (similar to last September's) from 1st-9th May, mainly on line, and also a much bigger event from 11th-25th September, hopefully more in-person. Only time will tell what exactly will be possible at those times but do let us know if you have got any new and interesting ideas for us to explore. All our events are aimed at involving the whole of Radyr & Morganstown – young and old – and this year we all need to find ways of restarting social life.

We will, of course, also be planning the annual Christmas Tree lighting event around Station Road on Friday, 3rd December 2021.

COVID-19

We are pretty sure that everyone will have seen the appeal from the NHS for anyone in 'groups 1-4' who has not been called for a vaccination to get in touch. If you haven't, then details are on our [Facebook Page](#). If following that link is a problem, then get in touch with the Secretary (contact below) and we will pass the information onto you.

Also, don't forget that we have had two excellent speakers on the topic of the virus. If you want to revisit what they said, recordings of both meetings are available on the [meetings pages](#) of our website.



Rubbish collections

Don't forget that the changes to rubbish and recycling collections come into force on **Tuesday 23rd February** – when Tuesday, not Monday, will be the regular collection day in Radyr & Morganstown. [There is more information on our website.](#)



Next Association Meeting, 1st March

Don't forget that our next meeting is on Monday, 1st March via Zoom starting at 7:30pm, when the speaker will be Simon Bradwick, and the topic "Living Taff - Mark your spot". More details about the Living Taff project can be found in the [article on our website](#). Registration for the meeting is now open, [just follow this link](#). The formal agenda, in which the link will be repeated, will come out nearer the time.

Future RMA meetings

Apart from the proposed TfW meeting (see above) the following meeting will be our AGM. Sadly, we did not hold a proper meeting last year, we simply briefed you on the financial situation, but, as a Charity, we do need to report more fully to our members and also formally elect a Committee.

The AGM will be held on **Monday, 12th April 2021**, via Zoom – we will circulate the registration link nearer the time. We usually provide some free refreshments at such meetings, which won't be possible on Zoom – but you can always have a glass to the side to join in a communal toast!

We are always interested in comments on what we are doing and having new ideas as to what we should be doing to keep the social side of Radyr & Morganstown alive. You don't need to join the Committee to make that contribution, although new Committee members are always welcome. As a group that represents all the people of Radyr & Morganstown, we would like to make our executive more diverse than its current makeup of 100% male and 50% over the age of 70. If you would like to have a chat about any aspect of the Association's work, then do get in touch with either the Chairman or Secretary.

If you would like to comment on any aspect of this Newsletter or require further information, then either email the Secretary, Nick Hawkins (rma@radyr.org.uk), or the Chairman, David Silver (rmachair@radyr.org.uk).