

THE RADYR AND MORGANSTOWN ASSOCIATION

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Update to Members of the Radyr & Morganstown Association, 11 March 2022

RMA AGM (Volunteering Opportunities)

The Radyr & Morganstown Association Annual General Meeting (RMA AGM) is on the horizon. **Monday 28 March** is the date for your diary. This will be another Hybrid meeting with the option to attend and fully participate either on-site at the Old Church Rooms or online via Zoom.

This year will see some changes in the RMA, Nick Hawkins has announced that, after many years of faithful service, he is stepping back from the Executive Committee. He will still play an important part in the RMA as one of our key volunteers but we have had to think about how many of "the things that Nick does" will be achieved going forwards.

David Silver is also stepping down as RMA Chair to concentrate more on other roles including continuing as Festival Chair.

With these forthcoming changes in personnel in mind, the RMA Exec have considered how the work of the RMA should be structured and who should be responsible for what, recognising the considerable contributions that Nick and David have been making to the running of the RMA in recent years.

We are always keen to see new faces on the Executive and whilst we are pleased to have this year welcomed Anne Rosser and Moy Lewis onto the Committee we have already lost a few of our "old guard" from the committee. This means that the committee is once again carrying vacancies before we start.

So, the RMA is looking for a new Secretary and some new Executive Members.

To make sure the role isn't too big, we have spread out what needs to be done across the Committee including a named roll for a "Community Liaison Officer" to take on some of the Communication with our Membership. So, this is not someone to take on "being Nick" it is simply someone who can take notes at RMA Exec Meetings, book rooms and generally do the secretarial/paperwork things that we need to do in order to keep the RMA supporting our community in the way that it does.

If you are interested please talk to Nick or David about putting your name forward to join the committee for next year.

Radyr Hustings

With the Local Elections happening on Thursday May 5, the RMA have arranged a Hustings for **Monday 25 April 2022**. This is your opportunity to put questions to all of the candidates for the County Council. Remember that we will be electing two councillors for the ward this time.



Questions for the Hustings should be sent through to Hustings@radyr.org.uk in advance and will be put anonymously to the panel by the moderator.

Should there be a contest for any of the seats on the Radyr & Morganstown Community Council, which is also being elected on the same day, we will run a separate session to hear from these candidates. We understand that the field is currently small for prospective members of the Community Council so if you are considering volunteering for this role to represent your community now may be a good time!

We take this opportunity to also remind those with younger members of their household that those aged 16-17 will also be able to vote in these elections – but to cast your vote you must first <u>register to vote</u>.

Please put the date in your diary and start drafting your questions.

Garden Waste Collections

Garden Waste Collections for Radyr & Morganstown have been suspended over the Winter. These are due to restart on a fortnightly cycle from **Tuesday 22 March 2022**. Cardiff Council are asking that we keep to small branches and twigs, leaves, grass cuttings and flowers in our Green Bins to ensure that the quality of the waste collected is sufficiently "clean". In particular, please do not add any woodchip, old flowerpots, cardboard or shredded paper.



The trial of segregated waste is still underway in some areas of Radyr & Morganstown at the moment. We have been promised by the Council links to surveys to review this scheme both for participants and for nearby residents who have been affected by the new way of collecting – but these have not yet arrived.

#RMFestival2022

The Festival Programme has now gone to print. The Committee had its final formal meeting this week to confirm 30 fabulous events over the Festival fortnight (and beyond). Starting with the traditional Fete at the Old Church Rooms on Saturday 30 April, Concert in the Parc in the middle and a lively concert to end, there should be something for all the family across the Festival fortnight.



This year we will be supporting Headway Cardiff & South East Wales, an important local charity helping people affected by acquired brain injury to rebuild their lives. Our Festival

Theme is all about the "**Happy Hats**" as we pick up the idea of wearing Hats for Headway. Please wear your Happy Hats to as many of our events as you can and support our chosen charity.

If you want a sneak peek at the events list most events are now visible on the Festival Website – https://RMFestival.org.uk

Planning

We had a great discussion on planning matters and the process for development of the Revised Local Development Plan at our meeting on 21 February 2022. If you missed the session, you can still watch it on our YouTube Channel or read the minutes and accompanying submission on the LDP from contributing groups via our website.

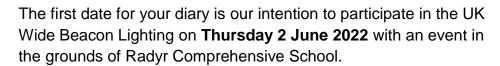


The RMA are now working with the new <u>Radyr & Morganstown Local Development Group</u> to help keep the community informed about the LDP process and the consideration of Candidate Sites for future development including the car park at Radyr Station and the large plot alongside the Golf Club known as "Site off Pant Tawel Lane".

We are also looking at individual planning applications as they come through. If you see any that are of particular concern, do let us know.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

A new committee has been established between the RMA and the Radyr & Morganstown Community Council (R&MCC) to look at planning events to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year.





Starting around 18.30 with entertainment for all the family through the evening up to the official Beacon Lighting across the United Kingdom at 21.45 followed, we hope, by fireworks.

Put the date in your diary and keep an eye open for announcements of further activities to celebrate 70 years of Her Majesty on the throne.

Ukraine

Natasha Williams, a local resident, has shared the story of her connection with Ukraine and the current difficulty through the Parish website. This story includes details of how to donate to a specific appeal through Christ Church.



Radyr Methodist Church is open this Saturday morning 10.30 to 12.00 for people to go in and light a candle for Ukraine, share in a coffee and give a donation to the DEC Appeal.

And Finally

Some may have already heard that Rev'd Vicki Burrows has announced that she will be leaving Radyr shortly. We do not yet have a precise finishing date but we will keep you informed as we know more about Vicki's leaving and the process for finding a new Priest for the Garth Ministry Area to cover Radyr.

Any Comments/Suggestions

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.