



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cynghor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Thursday, January 8 2015 at 8:15pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors T Davies, R McKerlich, J Hallinan, D Suthers, L Nicholas, C Morgan
In attendance: Helena Fox

- 14.488 Apologies for absence:** There were none.
- 14.489 Declarations of interest:** There were none.
- 14.490 To consider applications for grants:** There were none.
- 14.491 To receive the financial statement:** The financial statement for November was presented to the committee.
- 14.491.1** The balance in the cash book at November 30 was £72,254.17
- 14.491.2** The balance in the cash book at December 31 was £66,946.41
- 14.491.3** Grants awarded under the Power of Well-Being and S137 total £330. Grants awarded under other powers total £2,250. Total grant expenditure to date is £2,580 giving an overspend of £80.00.
- 14.492 To make a recommendation on the future role of R&MCC in Radyr Library and Youth Centre:**
- 14.492.1** Cllr Hallinan raised the issue of the use of the OCR as a venue for library services. The OCR and the library could be considered as a joint community resource.
- 14.492.2** There is a notional sum in the budget for the Youth Centre and this will be clarified before next week's main meeting. There may be grants available. There is also the issue of the cost of the new Duke of Edinburgh Award fees.
- 14.492.3** If CCC decides to close Radyr Library with no community solution, it will have to pay £125,000 back to WG and will recoup it from sale of the library site.
- 14.492.4** Community consultation could include a newsletter covering the case for local support of the OCR, library and youth centre; a drop-in session at the library for discussions; a public meeting in the OCR; views to be sent into the Clerk. R&MCC can then consider the community's view before making a final decision. There was general agreement on considering all three projects together.
- 14.492.5** R&MCC has to make a decision in principle for the precept for 2015-16. This does not commit expenditure but allows it to be spent if the community is in support.
- 14.492.6** The Finance Committee recommended that R&MCC investigate a community-run library.
- 14.492.7** The Finance Committee recommended that R&MCC investigate a community run youth centre.
- 14.493 To recommend a budget for 2015-16:** The Finance Committee recommends the draft budget of £123,564.
- 14.494 To recommend a precept for 2015-16:** The Finance Committee recommends a precept of £115,000.

- 14.495** **To put forward any items for the next meeting:** To recognize the work of Twinning committee representatives.
- 14.496** **Date of the next meeting:** Thursday, February 5 2015