



Minutes of a MEETING of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Thursday, 19 November 2009 at 7:30pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors R Granger, D Silver, D Suthers, R Eccles and M Lloyd

In attendance: Helena Fox

- 09.2329** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Davies
- 09.2330** DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were none.
- 09.2331** MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes were accepted as accurate.
- 09.2332** MATTERS ARISING:
- 09.2332.1** Community Council's contribution to the Old Church Rooms: The OCR Management Committee had responded to the Council's recent decision to limit its contribution to £200.00 per year rent. The matter was referred to November's main meeting because not it was not on the agenda.
- 09.2333** APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS:
- 09.2333.1** Radyr Friends of Guiding: Cllr Granger proposed £50.00 to cover the annual ground rent of the Guide Hall, seconded by Cllr Eccles. All agreed.
- 09.2333.2** R&M Indoor Bowls Club: Cllr Granger proposed a grant of £100.00 towards the cost of equipment, seconded by Cllr Eccles. All agreed.
- 09.2333.3** Cylch Meithrin/Ti a Fi: a request was received towards the cost of early years' resources. The Committee was minded to make a grant but asked to see a copy of the latest accounts first.
- 09.2333.4** Twinning 25th Anniversary Celebration: Cllr Silver proposed £250.00 towards the cost of this event, seconded by Cllr Granger. All agreed.
- 09.2333.5** Morganstown Village Hall Festival Tea Party 2010: Cllr Granger proposed £250.00 towards this event. Cllr Silver seconded. All agreed.
- 09.2333.6** R&M Festival Parade 2010 : Cllr Granger proposed £500.00 towards this event. Cllr Eccles seconded. All agreed.
- 09.2334** FINANCIAL STATEMENT: The financial statement was presented to the committee. The net balance was £81,873.85 including £8,949.61 in the Capital Reserve (Millennium Fund) account. £1,920.00 remains in the grant budget.
- 09.2335** OCR DRAINS: The Clerk had been notified that the insurance claim for repair of the drains had been rejected and full details were awaited. The Clerk was asked to write and ask for full details of claim rejection. Cllr Suthers would like the council to employ a surveyor to represent it in this matter.
- 09.2336** CLERKING RESOURCES: The committee discussed the proposal to increase the Clerk's hours. Cllr Granger proposed to recommend to main council an increase in the clerk's hours from 20 to 25/week and advertise for an administration assistant for 5 hours a week. Seconded by Cllr Lloyd. A vote was taken and the proposal was carried by 3 votes to 2.
- 09.2337** RADYR WOODS : The Clerk reported that Cooke & Arkwright felt that the sale price was more than fair. The Clerk was asked to contact Cardiff Council to arrange

discussions on whether they might buy this section of Radyr Woods. Cllr Granger referred the matter to main council.

- 09.2338** DANYBRYN WOODS: This matter was deferred to a future meeting.
- 09.2339** BUDGET 2010-2011: The draft budget was considered and the following amendments recommended to main council:
- 09.2339.1** £5,000.00 towards improvements at Morganstown Village Hall
- 09.2339.2** Clerk's increased hours and an administrative assistant
- 09.2339.3** Old Church Rooms: a sum towards the cost of replacement windows in Garth Room. The Clerk to seek a quote from the OCR Management Committee for January's meeting.
- 09.2339.4** New Year's Eve celebration for December 2010 : Cllr Suthers will provide estimated costs.
- 09.2340** CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE: Eleven cheques were examined and signed for presentation at the Council meeting on 26 November 2009 for final approval.
- 09.2341** DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 21 January 2009 at **8:30pm.**