Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan



Minutes of a MEETING of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Thursday, February 16 2012 at 7:30pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Councillors E Watt, R Granger, C Morgan, D Silver, T Davies

In attendance: Helena Fox

- **12.61** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs Suthers, Martin-Jones
- **12.62** DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were none.
- **12.63** <u>MATTERS ARISING:</u> There were none.
- 12.64 TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS: An application was received from the RMA Festival Committee requesting a grant of £400.00 towards to the cost of the annual parade for May Festival 2012. Cllr Granger proposed and Cllr Morgan seconded that this be recommended to the main council for approval. All agreed.
- 12.65 <u>FINANCIAL STATEMENT:</u> The financial statement was presented to the committee. The balance in the cash book at January 31 was £49,560.22 including £8,958.57 in the Capital Reserve (Millennium Fund) account. In addition, £20,000.00 is on deposit with NatWest. £310.00 remains in the grant budget.
- 12.66 TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE FUTURE OF THE COMMUNITY CHEST IDEA: The Clerk had received no communications in support. Discussions on the community website Soapbox supported the idea in principle but felt it would not work in practice. Cllr Morgan recommended that since there was no community support for this idea it not be pursued further; Cllr Silver seconded. All agreed.

Cllr Watt joined the meeting

- 12.67 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PURCHASE OF RADYR WOODS: The Clerk reported that she and the Wardens had inspected the fallen trees. They were happy with the work done by Cooke & Arkwright on the beech. The fallen oak had been made considerably safer and tidier but the Clerk had asked that a final piece of safety work be done at the Wardens' request. Notification of that is awaited.
- 12.68 TO REVIEW LEGAL ADVICE AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE GUIDE HALL: Legal advice had been received and circulated in advance of the meeting.
- 12.68.1 Cllr Granger recommended that the Clerk draft a letter to the Girl Guides Association (with copy to Radyr Guides) and seek our solicitor's approval before mailing. An informal meeting will be arranged with Radyr Guides to explain R&MCC's position. Cllr Davies seconded. All agreed.
- 12.69 <u>TO REVIEW AND SIGN CHEQUES:</u> Eleven cheques were examined and signed for presentation at the Council meeting on 23 February 2012 for final approval.
- 12.70 TO PUT FORWARD ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: None
- **12.71** DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY March 15 2012