

Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of FINANCE COMMITTEE on Thursday 7 January 2021 at 7.00pm

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020

Present: Clirs Clive Morgan (Chair), Tyrone Davies, Huw Onllwyn Jones, Helen Lloyd Jones, Rod McKerlich, David Suthers

In Attendance: Lynne Thomas (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

24. Apologies for absence

Cllr Julia Charles

25. Declarations of interest

No declarations were made.

26. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on 5 November 2020

Members noted the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 5 November 2020, approved at the Full Council Meeting on 19 November 2020.

Minute No. 19: Members confirmed that a meeting with the grant applicants took place on 17 November.

27. RMCC accounts and bank reconciliation at 30 November 2020

Members received and noted the RMCC accounts and bank reconciliation at 31 July 2020.

28. Bank statements

Members noted the following bank statements had been received, confirmed by the Clerk:

- Unity Trust Acc. *****326 Statement No. 90 and 91
- Unity Trust Acc. *****339 Statement No. 75 and 76
- Unity Trust Acc. *****011 Statement No. 12 and 13

29. Payment Schedules for November and December 2020

Members received the Payment Schedules for November and December 2020 and agreed to recommend the schedules for approval at Full Council.

30. RMCC Grant to Radyr & Morganstown Association for the R&M Festival 2020

Members noted correspondence received from the Chair of the Radyr & Morganstown Association regarding the uses of RMCC grant funding in light of the cancellation of the R&M Festival due to COVID-19.

Members agreed that the Clerk should write to the Chair of the RMA on behalf of Finance Committee to thank him for the information and to acknowledge the alternative uses of the grant funding.

31. Draft Budget and Precept for 2021/22

Members received and discussed the Draft Budget and Precept for 2021/22 and agreed to recommend to Full Council.

32. RMCC General and Earmarked Reserves

Members received and discussed a report from the Clerk/RFO on the proposed allocation of Earmarked Reserves at end March 2021.

Members agreed to recommend the report and proposed allocation to Full Council, subject to the report also showing the reserves position at end March 2020 in order to demonstrate the movement in reserves.

33. Future Audit Arrangements

Members received an update on audit arrangements from Audit Wales, including the three year audit cycle for RMCC for 2020/21 to 2022/23. RMCC will be subject to a full audit including testing of transactions - for 2020/21, followed by basic audits for 2021/22 and 2022/23.

34. Any Other Business

(i) Members received correspondence from the Vicar of Radyr raising concerns about the grant offer made by RMCC to support the Good Neighbours project.

Members agreed that four Members of Finance Committee would submit a special motion to Full Council to rescind the resolution to award a grant of £5,000 for six months and to propose that a grant of £10,000 for 12 months be awarded.

(ii) Cllr H Lloyd Jones requested approval from the Chair of Finance for spending of £60 for snowdrops to plant in Willow Tree Close. The Chair of Finance approved the spending.

35. Items for next meeting

Members agreed that the grant for the Good Neighbours project would be an item on the agenda for the next meeting of Finance Committee.

36. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of Finance Committee will be 4 March 2021.