



Radyr & Morganstown Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Minutes of a MEETING of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Thursday 5 March 2020 at 7.15pm at the Old Church Rooms.

Present: Cllrs Rod McKerlich (Chair), Julia Charles, Tyrone Davies, Helen Lloyd Jones, Clive Morgan, David Suthers

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

62. Apologies for absence

Cllr Huw Onllwyn Jones

63. Declarations of interest

Cllr R McKerlich declared a personal interest in Minute No. 67(ii) as a vice-president of Radyr Cricket Club.

Cllr R McKerlich reported that he acts as the R&MCC Governor on Radyr Primary School and did not need to declare a personal interest in Minute No. 67(iv).

64. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on 9 January 2020

Members noted the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 9 January 2020, approved and signed at the Full Council Meeting on 23 January 2020.

65. Payment Schedule for February 2020

Members received the Payment Schedule for February 2020. Finance Committee agreed to recommend the schedule for approval at Full Council.

66. Bank statements

Members noted the following bank statements to be signed at Full Council:

- Unity Trust Acc. *****326 Statement No. 78
- Unity Trust Acc. *****339 Statement No. 66
- Unity Trust Acc. *****011 Statement No.3
- Nat West Account Statement for February 2020

67. Applications for grants

(i) **Grant Application – RMA Web Team:** Members received and discussed an application from the Radyr & Morganstown Association (RMA) for funding of £180 to cover the costs of the Radyr & Morganstown community website.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £180 be awarded to the Radyr & Morganstown Association for the purposes set out in their application.

(ii) **Request for Financial Assistance – Radyr Cricket Club:** Members received and discussed a request for financial assistance from Radyr Cricket Club towards the costs of the clear up and repair following flood damage as these would not be fully covered by insurance.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £5,000 be awarded to Radyr Cricket Club to be used for the purposes set out in their request.

(iii) **Request for Financial Assistance – Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod:** Members received and discussed a request for financial assistance from the Chairman of the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that it follow precedent and not award a grant to a national event.

(iv) **Grant Application – Radyr Primary PTA:** Members received and discussed an application from Radyr Primary School PTA for funding of £1,400 towards the costs of music provision to support children’s involvement in community events.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £1,000 be awarded subject to further evidence being provided by the PTA on how the funds will be spent and on the public performances that will take place.

68. Review of R&MCC Financial Regulations: Amendments to Model Financial Regulations

Members received a report from the Clerk/RFO on a change to the One Voice Wales Model Financial Regulations.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that the RFO request clarification from One Voice Wales on the intention of the change to the Model Financial Regulations and for this be revisited when the R&MCC Financial Regulations are next reviewed in 2020/21.

69. Wales Audit Office: Consultation on future audit arrangements

Members received and noted correspondence from the Wales Audit Office on the consultation on future audit arrangements.

70. Old Church Rooms cleaning contract

Members received and discussed a report from the Clerk on a request from the cleaning contractors to increase the number of hours of cleaning per week at the Old Church Rooms.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that the contracted number of hours be increased by 1.5 hours per week. Finance Committee further recommended that the Clerk write to the cleaning manager to ask him to confirm that any temporary cover arrangement for holidays and sickness is working from the first morning as required.

71. Any Other Business

(i) The Clerk reported that a hall user at the Old Church Rooms has outstanding invoices amounting to £444.90.

Finance Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that the Clerk write to the hall user to agree a schedule of payments, while reserving the right to consider legal recourse.

(ii) The Clerk reported that a review of the Council’s insurance coverage is in progress. The Chair of the Radyr & Morganstown Association has informed the Clerk that RMA events are now covered under the Association’s policy.

- (iii) The Clerk reported that the invoice for the cost of the R&MCC by-election has not yet been received. Electoral Services have been asked to send this before the end of the financial year.
- (iv) The Clerk reported that a leak in the roof of the Old Church Rooms may require significant expenditure in the near future.

72. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be 30 April 2020.

Meeting closed at 8:05pm