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Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of St Arvans Community Council held in the Meeting Rooms, St Arvans on Friday 19th May 2023 at 4.30 pm

ATTENDANCE: Cllrs R Edwards (Chair), A Clay, B Howells.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs L Allen RFO

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: 0

APOLOGIES: Cllr P Farley

1. To review end-of-year accounts

Members undertook a review of the final figures for the financial year ending 31st March 2023 and noted the balance carried forward into 2023-2024 of £15,265.04.

2. To consider and, if appropriate, recommend any changes to the earmarked reserve project heads and balances.

Members discussed the earmarked reserve project heads.

Resolved:

To recommend to Full Council the following amendments:

King George's Field Playground – use remaining balance against purchase of Zip line and reduce to zero and remove budget head.

External audit fees year end 2018, 19, 20, 21, 22 – add £450.00 from budget allocation increasing the balance to £3,450.

Upgraded website – reduce to zero following works carried out in 2023/24 and remove budget head.

WVV Project / Devauden Road project 2021 - project not proceeding therefore vire funds to WVV/Devauden Road Project and remove budget head.

KGF Playground Project 2021 – balance used against purchase of Zip line reduce to zero and remove budget head.

WVV / Devauden Road project 2022 - balance reduced to £3,457.14 following spend in 22/23 plus vired funds of £1,900 increasing the balance to £5,357.14

MCC You Decide grant 2022 – reduce to zero as balance used against purchase of the Play train and remove budget head.

Final balances:

Ring-fenced funds	Balance c/f Ad	lded in year	Debited	Balance
King George's Field Playground	5,000.00	8,357.06	15,780.00	£0.00
External audit fees year end 2018, 19, 20, 21, 22	3,000.00	450.00	0.00	£3,450.00
Upgraded website	1,500.00		2,287.00	£0.00
WVV Project /Devauden Road project 2021	1,900.00		1,900.00	£0.00
KGF Playground Project 2021	500.00		500.00	£0.00
WVV / Devauden Road project 2022	9,710.00	1,900.00	6,252.86	£5,357.15
CC You Decide grant 2022 900	900.00		900.00	£0.00
	22,510.00			£8,807.15

To note that following the adjustments the year-end balance of £15,265.04 is made up of £8,807.15 in earmarked reserves and £6.457.90 in general reserves.

3. To review and recommend list of direct debits / regular payments that may be made by the Responsible Finance Officer prior to any meetings

Members considered the list of direct debits / regular payments.

Resolved:

To recommend to Full Council adoption of the list of direct debits / regular payments that may be made by the Responsible Finance Officer prior to any meetings as detailed below.

Clerk/RFO & Councillors	Method	Frequency	Payment due
Clerk/RFO	BP	monthly	
Clerk standard admin allowance	BP	bi-annually	end Sept/end Mar
Councillors' Annual Payment	BP	annually	end March
Subscriptions			
One Voice Wales	BP	annual	April
Vision ICT	BP	annual	April
SLCC for Clerk	BP	annual	April
ICO	SO	annual	January
Services			
HSBC	DD	monthly	
Gallagher Insurance	BP	annually	May
Three mobile (Hg3)	DD	monthly	
Webex	BP	bi-annually	April / Sept
MCC grasscutting	BP	annually	
Merlin Environmental Services	BP	monthly	
Pestek mole treatment	BP	annually	May
Meeting Rooms/Memorial Hall	BP	various	
RFM - leaf blower service	BP	annually	June
Cisco	DC	monthly	
Jamf	DC	monthly	

Signed Chair	Date	
The meeting closed at 5.30pm.		