

ENCLOSURE 7

MILLFIELDS USERS' GROUP - COMMITTEE MEETING 18 JULY 2009

FINANCE REPORT

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I am really sorry but I won't be able to attend the committee meeting on Saturday. What follows is a brief finance report:

The only money that the Millfields Users Group has ever held in its account has been £200 given to us by Clapton Pond Neighbourhood Action Group, £100 given to us by the previous Millfields Users Group (for the production of general meeting leaflets) and more recently £200 donated by Chatsworth Road Market Festival which was specifically for advertising the Big Lunch picnic event on 19th July.

Money IN

Clapton Pond Neighbourhood Action Group 200
Previous Millfields User Group - 100
Chatsworth Road Market Festival 200

Total Income £ 500

Money OUT

General Meeting Leaflets 99
Field Day event 2008 expenses 39.98
General meeting food 2008 12.97
General Meeting Leaflets 89
Publicity for the Big Lunch 200

Total spend 440.95

Balance in Account £59.05

I would like to make the following observations:

1. Hopefully through the various leafleting and networking activities that we have undertaken we have now built up a reasonable database of users who can be notified of general meetings although I suggest we always emphasise when contacting them that we want them to notify friends and neighbours of the group and encourage them to keep the membership alive and growing. Ie we do not need to print leaflets for every general meeting.
2. We need to think about what we are likely to need money for: probably publicity and perhaps a summer event once a year? How much? Anything else?

3. We then need to discuss with Parks and other User Groups where we are likely to find these funds. There is a 'Grassroots' grant via Hackney Council for Voluntary Service that we would be eligible to apply to for up to £5000 over 3 years. If the committee think we should apply for this (and it is probably the most appropriate 'pot' for the group) or other grants, then perhaps we could set up a small subgroup – maybe 3 people of which I am happy to be one, who can be delegated to get on with submitting applications. The next deadline for this grant is October. Sorry that I cannot attend the meeting but I hope to see you all at the picnic on Sunday!