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Dear Haydn,

Many thanks to you and Alex for your time this week which was really helpful and appreciated.

We discussed the literary festival and the practicalities, so good progress on that.

On the finance side, the cost of the hiring of the space at the old School and payments to the authors are the major costs. The latest invoice for the hiring is £126 but that may change if we use the upper room on Saturday morning so circa £140 is likely. The cost of the authors is £770 and we have heard from Literature Wales that they will contribute £235 and we pay the rest (£535). I have applied to Moondance for £500 so I hope we are successful with that aspect. We have also applied to Specsavers for some sponsorship but no decision as yet.

Aside from this we will have ticket sales (£5 per adult and £3 for children) plus a 20% of funds from book sales and a raffle at the quiz night. Overall, I am hopeful we can make a profit for the library if we can cover the costs outlined in the paragraph above.

We are therefore asking if there is the ability to cover the cost of the hiring of the rooms and an additional contribution to support the library activities whether it be running costs (insurance and stationery/incidentals) and/or purchase of books etc. We receive donations of books and have had a donation to help support the annual Summer Reading Challenge.

Other costs we are looking at are updating the small tables and chairs for children's activities; another mobile book case; storage unit for craft and children's materials and display cabinet as well as some upgrading of computer equipment and printer.

We have a few options for grant funding for these items: S 106 funding arranged via Emma Reid Jones, this money is available; Lottery For All and Communities Facilities Programme. We are currently working through options. I am also in contact with Julie Morgan who has been very supportive.

In addition, I have applied to Welsh Water for £1000 to assist with the costs of expanding our offering and attracting more teenagers/young adults to the library. We need more books for this age, to host events that will attract them etc.

You indicated a sum of £500 might be available which would be greatly appreciated. I hope everyone can see the effort and results being achieved. We very much hope that the community will support the literary festival. We have tried to provide a programme that will deliver something for everyone whatever age and interest. We welcome being part of the Lisvane festival and trust this brings an added dimension.

If you have any more queries, please do let me know.

Kind regards Anne