

Why we are where we are....

KMC were awarded a further £10,000 by the Social Investment Fund prior to the Reading Cabinet deciding (Nov) to put the Baths back on the market after 3 years of obstructing the KMC. This is the government incentive for us- the community to take charge of our assets –to **prove** whether there are alternatives.

The press reported saying that KMC had only £10000 was grossly inaccurate and just helped RBC in its aim to renege on its pledge to work with the campaign to save the Baths. **Please let the truth be known.**

Assets of Community Value.....

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Thank you for Kings Meadow Campaign application for a Pre-Feasibility Grant under the Community Right to Bid. It was considered today, and the decision was taken to approve the investment pending clarification over the following points:

- Please provide a detailed breakdown of the 7k required for business planning, and as per page 3 of <http://mycommunityrights.org.uk> (right to bid) is the asset in question. Please provide a breakdown of the 7k required for business planning and list on your authorities List of Assets of Community Value which is the first step to making the building eligible for asset transfer? Have you approached the local authority about Kings Meadow Campaign taking the first steps towards asset transfer?

Please provide the answer to the above query by the end of this week.

Regards,
Ross Wilson
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The Social Investment
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Our intended direction:-

- 1. -use the SIF fund to convince the authority that our plans are sound.**
- 2. -follow the HLF training fund application for which we had glowing references. This will bring the major money to pay for the work.**

RON.KMC, Nov 12

King's Meadow Baths up for sale again
By [Linda Fort](#)
November 07, 2012

The derelict Edwardian Grade II-listed open air swimming pool in King's Meadow is to be put on the market – again.

Despite pleas from the King's Meadow Campaign (KMC) group to give it more time and help to raise cash to restore the baths, Reading Borough Council's cabinet decided on Monday to see if there was anyone else interested in restoring the pool.

Just before the decision was taken, Bob O'Neill, KMC spokesman, said the group had offers of new funding sources.

He reminded councillors that the £1.5 million to £2.5 million estimates for the cost of refurbishing the building included new changing facilities and a cafe while a simple restoration would cost, he said, only £750,000.

KMC has £10,000 in the bank after three years of fundraising.

Ref. Get-Reading online

Actually the decision was taken a week earlier before the official meeting and the press were briefed then on the outcome.

