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12th February 2010

Dear Council Members,

In 2003 the Cambridgeshire Library Service closed 10 libraries. Many villagers in Melbourn and surrounding villages refused to accept that decision and The Melbourn District Villages Association was formed with volunteers, for the purpose of retaining a Library Service for the villages. The Library Service agreed that the Association would be permitted to retain the library and supplied 1000 books that would be exchanged at the rate of 100 books every month for 10 months each year. For the first 3 years a grant was received from the Library Service to assist in the running of the LAP.

The Melbourn Library Access Point [LAP] was opened on the 22nd November 2003 and continues to flourish. This has been accomplished by the efforts of volunteers of Melbourn District Villages Association who have given considerable time and effort.

The Library Service decided that LAP would close on 31st December 2008 because no funding was available to maintain the building, however, with the support of Melbourn Parish Council, it has been agreed that the LAP will continue for a further period of 2 years when it is hoped an alternative building could be provided.

The need to improve and maintain the financial position of the Melbourn Library Access Point remains a priority.

To this end I would ask the Parish Council to consider a donation to the Melbourn Library, to help maintain the service we supply. I enclose a copy of the 2009 Accounts.

Yours Sincerely



P Saunders
Treasurer
(Melbourn District Villages Association)

MELBOURN DISTRICT VILLAGES ASSOCIATION

Year Ended 31 December 2009

<u>Receipts</u>	£
Donations	1820.00
Library Receipts	
Fines	247.95
Holds	43.00
Book Sales	26.10
Printing	15.90
Misc.	2.66
Building Society Interest	3.90
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>	<u>2159.51</u>

<u>Payments</u>	£
Telephone	290.94
Book Covering Materials	-
Stationary (Library)	8.49
Miscellaneous	57.56
Gas	115.98
Insurance	690.68
Security	124.92
Building Maintenance	1070.00
CRB Checks	65.00
Furniture	411.58
Heater Service	186.15
<u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u>	<u>3021.30</u>

	£
<u>NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>-861.79</u>
<u>BALANCES AT 1st January 2009</u>	<u>5315.61</u>

<u>BALANCES AT 1st January 2010</u>	<u>4453.82</u>
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MONETARY ASSETS

<u>Cash Funds at this Year End</u>	£
Cash in Hand	57.93
Building Society	4395.89
<u>BALANCES AT 1st January 2010</u>	<u>4453.82</u>