

RCMC Contingency Claim

A paper by the DPCS

Background:

Because of the building works, RCC Radio Controlled Model Club were asked to deposit their club's inventory in what is now the Union Gym. This included:

- Radio controlled car
- Pipes
- Tools
- Controller
- Other accoutrements

Having searched through everything that it is possible to, as well as enquiring with those people who had moved the stored items from place to place, it seems that the above items have not been seen since the move from the Gym to the new offices. As far as I can tell, there is also no way to tell how these things went missing though it is noted that this is bizarre as there have been no other reports of anything going missing.

On top of this, the club was only set up in the past year, and the money to purchase these items came from the Harlington Trust as it looked to be a one off payment to have some equipment to get the club started and to help attract members. The club is now very aware of impending Freshers' period and have now had to buy replacement equipment in time for the beginning of term. For future equipment they will be saving up.

I don't believe this should come from the RCC contingency partly because I think it should be a gesture of goodwill from the central Union. Other reasons include the building works being the responsibility of the central Union and it was the central Union who asked them to deposit their things there in the first place on the understanding that they would be kept safe.

Decision required:

To reimburse the club from either Exec contingency pot or Building works budget to the amount of the equipment lost: £268.81*

*Figure taken as a total of their expenditure on equipment from their finance pages.