

REPORT TO: ALEXANDER TORRANCE CATHRO BEQUEST - 17 APRIL 2006

REPORT ON: APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS 2005-06

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

REPORT NO: 250-2006

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report gives trustees details of the Alexander Torrance Cathro Bequest grant distribution in 2005, together with reports from the various organisations which have applied for 2006.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Trustees are asked to approve the grants as shown in the attached report which amount to £1,550.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

It is anticipated that the income from the above bequest in 2005-06 will be £1,550 and will therefore support the grant applications received giving a disbursement of that amount.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

None

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

None

6 BACKGROUND

The Alexander Torrance Cathro Bequest was formed by the residue of an estate handed over to the former Corporation of Dundee in 1948, the free annual income therefrom to be used to give as many children as might have need an opportunity of enjoying an outing in the country or at the seaside.

The funds of the bequest have been invested in £14,500 7.5% Treasury Stock 2006 with the balance of £8,435 remaining with the City Council's Loans Fund. The interest on these funds gives a full year's income of £1,550 and this compares to the total of grants disbursed last year of £1,500.

The applications received for 2006 are slightly higher than for 2005 and should the Trustees decide to authorise the grants as shown in the attached report, this would show an increase of £50 to £1,550.

7 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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**Alexander Torrance Cathro Request
Report on Applications received for 2006**

Applicant	2005 Grant Paid £	2006 Grant Proposed £	Remarks
1.The Salvation Army	330	330	A letter from the Trust Fund Raiser for Scotland states that the 2005 grant was used to subsidise the cost of sending young people from Dundee and District to junior camp weeks at Cullen and the Aviemore Scottish Youth Hostel. It is the group's intention to again treat the children to a junior camp at Aviemore in 2006.
2.The Boys' Brigade	250	250	A letter from the Battalion Secretary states that last year's grant was used to assist boys from the Dundee Battalion in attending camps and activity weekends. This year the annual camp at Killecrankie and weekend activities outings to Lochearnhead, Pitlochry and Glen Doll are planned. The grant would be used to meet applications from disadvantaged boys to attend these activities.
3.Sense Scotland	130	130	A letter from the Fundraising Officer states that last year's grant was used towards the cost of the association's annual holiday scheme for deaf-blind children and young people. The 2005 holiday scheme involved taking nearly 40 young deaf-blind children with complex additional needs, including some from Dundee, to holidays at Badaguish Outdoor Centre, a similar scheme is planned for 2006. To send a child with support needs on holiday costs from £900 to £1,500.
4.One Parent Families Scotland, Dundee Project	150	150	The Project Manager reports that this group works with one parent families who are on low incomes with little resources. The grant would be used to treat the children to an outing at the Blair Drummond Safari Park.
5.The Dundee Fair Play Training and Development Project and the Dundee Guide Association (Joint Project)	100	0	No application received this year.
6.Youthlink	110	120	Youth-Link is a voluntary organisation in Dundee set up to assist young people between the ages of 5 and 16 from disadvantaged families experiencing difficulties in their lives. A letter has been received from the Administrator stating that last year's grant was used to fund a summer trip to Monikie Country Park. This year a grant is requested to fund a similar trip to the same location. The estimated costs of the trip are £205.
7.Sargent Cancer Care for Children	120	120	A request has been received from the Trust Fundraising Manager for a contribution towards the cost of providing respite breaks and therapeutic holidays for children from Dundee suffering from cancer, at Malcolm Sargent House, Prestwick.
8. Menzieshill Out of School Care Club	0	110	A letter has been received from an Administrator requesting financial support to help children from vulnerable families in the Menzieshill area to enjoy outings to Country Parks and Wildlife Centres this summer.
9.Fintry Community Playgroup	110	120	A letter has been received from the Secretary requesting a contribution towards the cost of a trip to Craigtoun Country Park. The group cater for up to 24 children aged 2 to 5 years old.

10.The Attic Youth Project	0	110	An application for funding has been received to help disadvantaged children from the Hilltown area in Dundee to enjoy a trip to Teenranch Outdoor Centre this summer.
11.Home Start	100	110	A letter has been received from the Administrative Assistant giving details of outings planned to Blair Drummond Safari Park. Home-Start Dundee works with families throughout Dundee who have at least one child under 5 years old and who are experiencing stress or various difficulties.
12.The National Autistic Society	100	0	No application received this year.

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