

**REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE –  
19 MAY 2003**

**REPORT ON: ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS TO COMMUNITY COUNCILS**

**REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT**

**REPORT NO: 337-2003**

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 This report seeks approval for the payment of administrative grants for the financial year April 2003 - March 2004 to Community Councils in existence or established during the year and to confirm the formulae for payment.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

2.1 administrative grants be awarded to all Community Councils currently in existence or established during 2003/2004 in accordance with Dundee City Council's Revised Scheme For The Operation Of Community Councils.

2.2 administrative grants will also be awarded to other neighbourhood representative structures which meet the eligibility criteria set out in Committee Report 725-2002.

2.3 grants are awarded according to the following formulae: a lump sum of £330 per Community Council plus 1.2p per resident in each Council area (see Appendices 1 and 2).

2.4 an administration grant of £440 is made available for award to the Association of Dundee Community Councils.

## **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The sum of £2,271 can be contained within the Department's Revenue Budget for 2003/2004 (see Appendix 1).

3.2 Contingencies will be made for the establishment of new Community Councils (see Appendix 2).

## **4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 All sections of the community are empowered to participate in decision-making.

4.2 Support to Community Councils is an integral part of the Council's Decentralisation Policy.

## **5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Community Councils encourage Dundee citizens to participate in community life regardless of their race, colour, gender, sexuality, age, class, ethnic or religious beliefs, basic skills, disability, trade union activity, long term unemployment or whether they have AIDS or are HIV positive.

5.2 The Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000 classes Community Councils as public authorities, which as such, have a general duty to promote race equality.

## **6.0 BACKGROUND**

6.1 This report details payments in the form of Administrative Grants to Community Councils during the financial year 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004, according to the Revised Scheme For The Operation Of Community Councils.

- 6.2 The proposals include a formula that ensures Community Councils are awarded a basic lump sum of £330 plus an additional 1.2p per resident. To be eligible for a grant a Community Council must make formal application and include audited annual accounts for the financial year 2002/2003 where appropriate. The Community Council should have less than twice the amount of their recommended grant in their administrative account at 31 March 2003.
- 6.3 The Revised Scheme For The Operation Of Community Councils makes provision for 19 Community Councils in Dundee. At present, there are three Community Councils: Broughty Ferry, Fintry and West End. A petition has been received for the establishment of a Community Council for the Menzieshill area.
- 6.4 The Association of Dundee Community Councils enables Councils to share information, develop training programmes and promote the development of new Community Councils and neighbourhood representative structures.
- 6.5 Community Councils established after 1 April 2003 will be awarded a grant proportionate to the number of months they are operational between 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004.

## **7.0 CONSULTATION**

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, and Support Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

## **8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any extent in preparing the above report.

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**9 May 2003**

**COMMUNITY COUNCILS: ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS**  
**1 APRIL 2003 TO 31 MARCH 2004**

<b>Community Council</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Basic Sum (£)</b>	<b>1.2 Per Capita (£)</b>	<b>Grant* (£)</b>
Broughty Ferry	16,842	£330	203	£ 533
Fintry	8,082	£330	97	£ 427
Menzieshill	8,716	£330	105	£ 435
West End	8,795	£330	106	£ 436
Association of Dundee Community Councils		£440		£ 440
<b>Total</b>				<b>£ 2,271</b>

\*Subject to the criteria detailed in Section 6.3 of the Report.

**COMMUNITY COUNCILS: PROPOSED BASIS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS**  
**1 APRIL 2003 - 31 MARCH 2004**

No	Name	Population	Basic Sum (£)	1.2 Per Capita (£)	Grant* (£)
1	Ancrum/Blackness	6,631	330	80	410
2	Ardler/Blackshade	5,687	330	69	399
3	Broughty Ferry	16,842	330	203	533
4	Caird	2,215	330	27	357
5	Charleston	5,516	330	67	397
6	City Centre and Harbour	758	330	10	340
7	Craigiebank and District	3,508	330	43	373
8	Douglas and Angus and Craigie	9,189	330	111	441
9	Downfield and Brackens	10,346	330	125	355
10	Fintry	8,082	330	97	427
11	Hilltown and District	10,195	330	123	453
12	Kirkton	7,879	330	95	425
13	Lochee	7,653	330	92	422
14	Menzieshill	8,716	330	105	435
15	Mid Craigie/Linlathen	4,776	330	58	388
16	Rockwell/Fairmuir	5,837	330	71	401
17	Stobswell and District	11,955	330	144	474
18	West End	8,795	330	106	436
19	Whitfield	6,772	330	82	412
	Association of Dundee Community Councils		440		440
				<b>Total</b>	<b>8,318</b>

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