REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - 12 JUNE 2000

REPORT ON: ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS TO COMMUNITY COUNCILS: 2000/2001

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 399-2000

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report seeks approval for the payment of administrative grants for the financial year April 2000 to March 2001 to Community Councils in existence or established during the year and to confirm the formula 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 2000/2001 in accordance with Dundee City Council Scheme for the Operation of Community Councils (Report 332/1997).
- 2.2 Grants are awarded according to the following formula: a lump sum of £300 per Community Council plus 1.2p per resident in each Council's area, (See Appendix 1).
- 2.3 An administration grant of £400 is awarded to the Association of Dundee Community Councils.

3.0 Financial Implications

3.1 The sum of £7,204 can be contained within the Department's Revenue Budget for 2000/2001.

4.0 Local Agenda 21 Implications

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

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

5.0 Equal Opportunities Implications

5.1 None

6.0 Background

- 6.1 This report details payments in the form of Administrative Grants made to Community Councils during the financial year 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000. (Appendix 2)
- 6.2 The report sets out in detail proposals for the payment of Administrative Grants to Community Councils as outlined in the Dundee City Council Scheme for the Operation of Community Councils.
- 6.3 The proposals include a formula that ensures all Community Councils are awarded a basic lump sum of £300 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 1999/2000 where appropriate. The Community Council should have less than twice the amount of their recommended grant in their administrative account at 31 March 2000.
- 6.4 The Dundee City Council Scheme for the Operation of Community Councils has provision for seventeen Community Councils in Dundee. Currently there are five Community Councils; Broughty Ferry, Fintry, Hilltown, Stobswell and West End.

- 6.5 In addition, the Association of Dundee Community Councils was formed to enable Councils to share information, develop training programmes and promote new Community Councils.
- 6.6 It is proposed that the City Council works in partnership with the Association of Dundee Community Councils to promote new Community Councils in areas where none exist.
- 6.7 Community Councils established later than 1 October 2000 would be awarded a grant of 60% of the recommended full grant.

7.0 Consultation

7.1 The Directors 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 material extent in preparing the above report.

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APPENDIX 1

COMMUNITY COUNCILS: PROPOSED BASIS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS 2000/2001

	Community Council	Population	Basic Sum	1.2p per capita	Grant*
1	Ancrum/Blackness	6,631	£300	£ 79	£379
2	Ardler/Blackshade	5,687	£300	£ 68	£368
3	Broughty Ferry	16,842	£300	£202	£502
4	Caird	2,215	£300	£ 26	£326
5	Craigiebank and District	3,508	£300	£ 42	£342
6	Douglas and Angus	9,189	£300	£110	£410
7	Downfield and District	17,830	£300	£213	£513
8	Fintry	8,082	£300	£ 97	£397
9	Hilltown and District	11,776	£300	£141	£441
10	Lochee	13,005	£300	£156	£456
11	Menzieshill	8,716	£300	£104	£404
12	Mid Craigie/Linlathen	4,776	£300	£ 57	£357
13	Rockwell/Fairmuir	5,837	£300	£ 70	£370
14	Stobswell & District	11,955	£300	£143	£443
15	West End	8,795	£300	£105	£405
16	Whitfield	6,772	£300	£ 81	£381
17	City Centre and Harbour	858	£300	£ 10	£310
18	ADCC		£400		£400
	TOTAL				

^{*}Subject to the criteria detailed in Section 6.3 of the Report.

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APPENDIX 2

COMMUNITY COUNCILS: ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS AWARDED 1999/2000

Community Council	Population	Basic Sum	1.2p per capita	Grant Awarded
Broughty Ferry	16,842	£300	£202	£502
Fintry	8,082	£300	£ 97	£397
West End	8,795	£300	£105	£405
TOTAL				£1,304