REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 22 AUGUST 2005

REPORT ON: GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS 2005/2006

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

**REPORT NO:** 486 - 2005

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report details the recommendations of the Director of Social Work on the Section 10 grant awards to voluntary organisations for 2005/2006.

#### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Social Work Committee: Agrees payments to the voluntary organisations listed in Appendix 1 at the levels outlined.

## 3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of implementing the recommendations within this report is £52,000. This cost can be met from the total 2005/2006 revenue budget provision for grant award payment to voluntary organisations.

### 4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

# 5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 These grants are made to promote social welfare and are targeted at voluntary organisations which provide assistance and promote social inclusion amongst the most vulnerable members of the community.

## 6.0 MAIN TEXT

- A range of voluntary organisations receive funding from the Social Work Department as payment for specific services provided. The provision of these services is governed by a service level agreement with the organisation concerned.
- 6.2 However, the Social Work Department also frequently received requests from voluntary organisations for grant funding to support activities which contribute in general to social welfare.
- 6.3 Limited budget provision has been made to meet this need, and applications for grant aid were invited in late 2004. Applications received have now been assessed and recommendations for funding are outlined in Appendix 1. All applications were assessed against specific criteria. Priority has been given to those organisations, groups or individuals whose applications are demonstrably:

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• consistent with the council's Core Values as outlined in the Council Plan;

- consistent with the Social Work Department's strategic aims, service plan and priorities as detailed in the Social Work Service Plan, the Joint
- Community Care Plan and the Children's Service Plan;
- · of potential benefit to priority groups;
- democratic, publicly accountable and based on equal opportunities principles; and
- · cost effective, and capable of contributing to partnership working.

## 7.0 CONSULTATION

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

## 8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

Alan G Baird Director of Social Work

Date: 10 August 2005

# APPENDIX 1 SECTION 10 APPLICATIONS 2005/2006

Organisation	Amount Recommended	Purpose
Positive Perceptions	£2,500	Contribution towards cost of materials, rents and admin costs. Organisation uses art and similar therapies to enable women to communicate and express themselves about personal matters.
Couple Counselling	£10,000	Running costs towards maintaining a confidential counselling service.
Shelter Scotland	£800	Contribution To Dundee Housing Aid Centre running costs
Whitfield Parish Church Day Care	£4,000	Contribution towards provision of a day service for older people and people with disabilities.
Headway Tayside	£4,000	Contribution towards running costs and activities of the organisation who work with people who have Acquired Brain Injury.
Childline Scotland	£1,960	Contribution to maintain a free, confidential telephone helpline.
Starter Packs Dundee	£3,500	Contribution towards the running costs of providing start up packs for homeless people taking up new tenancies.
Age Concern	£2,545	Operating costs of activities for the elderly.

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Grey Lodge Settlement	£2,500	Contribution towards running costs of "Open Door Project" which aims support frail older people in Hilltown area.
The Link Club	£620	Purchase of equipment and contribute to running costs of club for adults with learning disabilities.
The Attic	£2,700	To assist with organised events for disadvantaged youngsters and their families living in deprived areas of Dundee.
Deafblind Scotland	£816	Contribution towards running costs to help deafblind adults.
Cruse Bereavement Care	£750	Contribution towards admin and telephone costs for bereavement counselling service.
Cool Kids Club	£995	Contribution to assist with running costs for the care of children out of school hours and holidays.
Steve Bretel	£2,500	Contribution to help provide specialist music service for people with disabilities. Help with equipment and premises funding.
Tayside Adoptees Group	£2,290	To help with overall running costs. Work with adults who have been adopted and their families.
Art Angel	2,500	Contribution to aid community based art activities for people with mental health difficulties.
The 5 Digits	£4,000	Contribution towards equipment and training costs. Work with anyone who has a disability.
Samaritans (Dundee)	£2,500	Contribution towards volunteer's travelling expenses and running costs of provision of confidential support service to those in distress.
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