REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 14 AUGUST 2000

REPORT ON: DUNDEE HOGMANAY 2000

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**REPORT NO:** 490-2000

### 1 PURPOSE

To request Committee approval for an outline programme of events to take place in Dundee on Sunday, 31 December 2000 and for a linked bid for grant assistance from the Millennium Commission towards the programme.

## 2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:-

- 2.1 Agree the proposed outline programme of events to celebrate Hogmanay 2000.
- 2.2 Remit officers to proceed with negotiations towards confirming conditions and a schedule of events in order to secure a grant of £50,000 towards this programme from the Millennium Commission.
- 2.3 Approve expenditure on the programme of an estimated £29,000 from the City Council's Millennium Fund.

#### 3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The estimated cost of the event is £118,300 towards which grant assistance of £50,000 is anticipated from the Millennium Commission. In kind support from City Council Departments has been evaluated at £35,000 and income from ticket sales estimated at £4,300. The balance of expenditure amounting to £29,000 can be met from the City Council's Millennium Events Fund.

### 4 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

The aim is to provide a range of accessible events of interest to the whole community.

# 5 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

The programme of events will be available to all sectors of the community.

## 6 REPORT

- 6.1 The Policy and Resources Committee of 12 October 1998 agreed a year-long programme of events and activities to mark the millennium in Dundee. Most of the events proposed are well under way and a city-wide range of activities encompassing sport, education, arts and culture and community-based projects will continue throughout 2000.
- 6.2 Following the success of the Millennium Dawn Hogmanay event a feasibility study into a small-scale fireworks display on the Law, visible to the whole city was undertaken in order to provide a suitable finale to the year.

- 6.3 An invitation to bid to the Millennium Commission for a grant towards Hogmanay celebrations was subsequently received. A bid was made and an in principle offer of a grant of up to £50,000 has been made to the City Council.
- 6.4 The deadline for agreement of grant conditions is 14 August 2000. An interim announcement to the press by the Commission was made on 26 July 2000.
- 6.5 The outline programme for Dundee's Millennium Hogmanay 2000 aims to bring people of all ages and backgrounds together to celebrate a year of special events and community involvement.

Events are inclusive and wide ranging. They will take place from 11.00 am to Midnight and include

- Family Sessions, Ice Arena
- Millennium Meltdown, Ice Arena
- Street Theatre, city-wide
- Arts project with Community groups
- Changing Nature, children's project
- Events with city centre venues i.e. DCA
- Caird Hall entertainment
- Hogmanay Cycle Ride
- Fireworks Spectacular from the Law
- 6.6 The budget is made up of

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Dundee City Council Millennium Fund	29,000
Dundee City Council in Kind	35,000
Ticket Income	4,300
Millennium Commission Grant	50,000

118,300

6.7 The programme of events will be devised and produced by a working group including representatives from Arts and Heritage Department, the Ice Arena, Leisure and Parks Department and the Millennium Events Officer.

Marketing and Press support will be provided by the PR Department.

Representatives from the Police and other emergency services, emergency planning, health and safety and other appropriate City Council departments will be involved as necessary.

#### 7 CONSULTATION

This report has been the subject of consultation with the Chief Executive and the Directors of Finance, Corporate Planning, Public Relations, Arts & Heritage and Leisure & Parks.