

## DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:** Policy & Resources Committee - 13 February 2012

**REPORT ON:** Craft Makers Award: Dundee Allocation

**REPORT BY:** Director, Leisure and Communities

**REPORT NO:** 52-2012

### 1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the payment of grant awards from the Craft Makers Award: Dundee Scheme.

### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee approves the following awards to:

- **Christina Hirst** - £1,000 towards the development and production of a range of Metal Clay jewellery.
- **Nikki McWilliams** - £1,032 towards attending the Top Drawer Trade show in London.
- **Filipa Oliveira** - £888 towards developing jewellery pieces to exhibit at New Designers in London.

2.2 These awards will be made on return of a letter of agreement from the recipients.

### 3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 A fund of £3,000 is available for the financial year 2011/12. £1,000 will be met from the Community and Policy revenue budget and £2,000 through a grant from the Crafts Department of Creative Scotland.

### 4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 The Craft Makers Award: Dundee is a partnership between Leisure & Culture Dundee and Creative Scotland (formerly Dundee City Council and Creative Scotland). The scheme awards grants to Dundee-based craft makers towards professional development, researching and creating new work for exhibition and sale. Craft is defined as ***'contemporary creative work conceived, designed and made by individual practitioners in ceramics, jewellery and metalwork, furniture and wood, glass, lettering, musical instruments, textiles and basket-making'***. This is the definition used by Creative Scotland.

4.2 All the listed applicants were assessed according to the following criteria:

- the quality of the artist's work;
- the expected impact of support on the applicant's creative and business development;
- the clarity of purpose behind the submission and reasons given for applying for an award;
- the quality of the information/material supplied;
- the level of commitment to the development of practice.

4.3 These awards are progressed under clause 10 of the Services Agreement between Dundee City Council and Leisure & Culture Dundee.

### 5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major issues have been identified.

**6.0 CONSULTATION**

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), and Director of Finance have been consulted on this report.

**7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None

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