

REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 16 AUGUST 2004

REPORT ON: NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS GRANT FUND III (2004-2005)

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 525-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes recommendations for grant awards from the National Organisations Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the recommended grants.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The grant awards will be met from the Department's revenue budget 2004-2005.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The awards will improve access to skills, knowledge and information and/or contribute to achieving the Council's vision of self-sustaining, secure and healthy communities.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Grant assistance is awarded to groups which promote social inclusion and contribute to equalling opportunities within the City.

6.0 BACKGROUND

6.1 At its meeting on 10 February 1997, the Committee approved the criteria and procedures for the Department's grant aid portfolio (Report No 127/1997 refers).

6.2 Detailed below is the recommendations for specific grant awards.

Name of Applicant	Purpose of Organisation	Grant Requested £	Grant Recommended £
Scottish Library & Information Council (SLIC)	National body supporting Library and Information Services.	1,545.45 Annual Membership Subscription	1,545.45
Inclusion Scotland	A national disability led organisation which supports social inclusion.	150 Affiliation Fee	150
The Commonwealth Youth Exchange	National agency for promoting and assisting Commonwealth youth exchanges and encouraging the international dimension in young people's lives.	150 Annual Subscription	150

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Cli (Comann an Luchd Ionnsachaidh Ltd)	National network of Gaelic learners' services. Grant requested for contribution towards staff costs and publications which are sent, at no cost, to Dundee's libraries and development of adult learners' group in Dundee.	400	300 (no increase – the same as last year)
Lead Scotland (Linking Education and Disability)	To empower and enable physically and/or sensory impaired adults in Scotland to access education and lifelong learning opportunities.	1,872	1,272 (no increase – the same as last year)
		TOTAL	£3,417.45

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executives (Finance) and (Support Services).

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

Signed: Stewart Murdoch
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Date: 9 August 2004