

REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 24 OCTOBER 2005

REPORT ON: VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS TRAINING GRANTS FUND (2005-2006)

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 611-2005

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes recommendations for grant awards from the Voluntary Organisations Training Grants Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

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 2005-2006.

3.2 Demand on this fund continues to exceed budget and these awards will fully commit the budget of £3,209 for the 2005-2006 financial year.

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 equalising 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).

Detailed below are the recommendations for specific grant awards.

Ref No	Name of Applicant	Purpose of Application	Total Cost £	Grant Requested £	Grant Recommended £
1	Fair Play Training	To support the costs of their ongoing training programmes and the Management Group Training Programme, including Equal Opportunity training	4130	2430	600
2	Dundee Woodcraft Folk	To provide Child Protection training to new volunteers in this established youth organisation	380	380	380
3	Cracking Youth Work Forum	To provide subsidised places for small-scale youth work providers at the "Pick n Mix" of training events in December 2005	3800	400	400

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4	Dundee and District Pre-Retirement Council	To train volunteers in the use of newly acquired computer and visual presentation technology	1100	1100	400
5	6 th /8 th Dundee Boys' Brigade	To support the costs of their ongoing pipe-band training programme, led by paid instructors, and volunteer tutors, which attracts significant numbers of young people	2340	2340	500
6	Grey Lodge Settlement	To cover the costs of four volunteers (after allowing for all available discounts) to attend "Practical Problems - Sensible Solutions" national training conference (Youth Scotland)	429	429	429
7	Girlguiding Dundee	To support the costs of the Guides ongoing training programme, which includes both Day courses and accreditation through the Guides Leadership Qualification	945	945	500

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

Signed: **Stewart Murdoch**
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