DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 8 December 2008

REPORT ON: Dundee Musicians Award Allocation

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 620-2008

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes recommendations for the allocation of awards from The Dundee Musician's Award Scheme for 2008.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Committee is recommended to approve the grants detailed below.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The total grants awarded of £2,110 will be met from the Leisure and Communities Department's revenue budget 2008-09.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

4.1 Background

This scheme awards grants to Dundee-based musicians towards professional development, researching and creating new work in any genre. All the applications were assessed by a professional panel comprising representatives from the Scottish Arts Council and the Cultural Enterprise Office.

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

- the quality of the musician's work
- the expected impact of support on the applicant's creative 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 development of practice

4.2 The following grants are recommended:

The Grace Emilys £1000 contribution to a tour of Europe in February/March 2009.

Sarah Harrop £310 for training in vocal technique for group singers.

The Lost Todorovs £800 to support the development and recording of a mini-album.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Strategic

Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Head of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with its contents.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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