

## **DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 13 June 2011

**REPORT ON:** Adult Education Fund (Adult Education Associations)

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

**REPORT NO:** 267-2011

### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 This report details an application received from Broughty Ferry Education and Recreation Association (BERA), to assist in the administrative and running costs of a programme of evening classes for the adult community in and around Broughty Ferry.

### **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the recommended grant of £2,850 to allow the organisation to continue to provide a very valuable and wide ranging evening class provision for the residents of Broughty Ferry and Dundee.

### **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The grant will be met from the department's 2011/2012 Revenue Grants budget (Adult Education Support Fund).

### **4.0 BACKGROUND**

4.1 The Broughty Ferry Education and Recreation Association is a voluntary Adult Education Association. The purpose of the organisation is to provide education, recreation and leisure opportunities for the residents of Broughty Ferry and Dundee. BERA offers an extensive evening class programme, based at Grove Academy, and receives support from local businesses in the Broughty Ferry area.

4.2 In 2010/11 over 800 places were taken up on a wide variety of subjects including languages, fitness, IT and crafts. This organisation provides a valuable service in the Broughty Ferry area, which is not provided by any other organisation.

4.3 BERA have worked with the Education Department and Dundee Leisure Trust to ensure a complimentary programme of learning opportunities and promote community use of the school. In addition, they have received support from the Adult Learning Section of the Leisure and Communities Department with the running and promotion of a voluntary organisation.

### **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. There are no major issues.

5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and will be made available on the Council website at <http://www.dundecity.gov.uk/equanddiv/equimpact> .

### **6.0 CONSULTATION**

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

**7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 Equality Impact Assessment

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