

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 14 June 2010

REPORT ON: Dundee International Women's Centre Grant

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 292-2010

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report seeks approval for the payment of the annual grant award to Dundee International Women's Centre.(DIWC)

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the grant award of £8,500 to DIWC.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost will be met from the Leisure and Communities Department's 2010/11 Revenue Budget.

3.2 The project's estimated outturn figures for 2009-2010 and draft budget for 2010-2011 are detailed in Appendix 1.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 DIWC provides a range of advice, support and development opportunities for women from black and minority ethnic (bme) communities. Activities include ESOL and other adult learning classes, a creche and a social enterprise catering service.

4.2 The following key performance outcomes relating to last year's grant have all been achieved:

- 120 women participating in a range of activities
- 30 women taking up volunteering opportunities

4.3 The grant provided contributes to ensuring that the centre can continue to operate on a day-to-day basis and can act as a meeting place for women to identify their learning needs. This results in the development of the activity programme for which additional funding is often sought. Without the stability provided by DCC grant, this first stage would be difficult to sustain.

4.4 It should be noted that the Outreach Translation Service has now re-located to Central Library and is directly managed via Dundee Translation and Interpreting Service.

4.5 The Centre funds these activities from a number of sources and continues to need the support of a small revenue grant to ensure that core services continue. It is suggested this focus should continue and that the 2010/11 grant should be related to continued successful delivery of the following outcomes:

- manage the delivery of a weekly programme of social, educational and recreational activities for all women, with a specific focus on those from diverse black and ethnic minority and migrant communities. Target - 120 women participating in a range of activities.
- support and manage volunteering opportunities which contribute to women developing their personal skills and experience for jobs. Target 30 women assisted to identify volunteering opportunities.
- work with the Social Inclusion Section Leader to further develop social enterprise and employment opportunities which have recently been identified.
- establish direct links between participation in activities, volunteering within the centre and potential training/ employment opportunities via development of Social Enterprises such as Wooden Spoon Catering and Rise and Shine Childcare

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. The Volunteer Centre has in place relevant policies for all those areas and makes a positive contribution to the Community Plans' priorities by providing volunteering opportunities which address these issues.

There are no major issues.

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 and are in agreement with its contents.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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DUNDEE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CENTRE

Expenditure	Estimated Outturn 2009-2010	Draft Budget
Staff Costs	182,858.09	186,515.25
Property Costs	19,357.85	19,745.00
Supplies and Services	73,848.68	75,325.65
Transport	1,666.38	1,669.70
Total Expenditure	277,731.00	283,255.60
Income		
Membership	598.65	610.65
Interest	987.77	987.77
Income Generation	11,613.88	11,846.15
Service Provision	29,962.76	30,562.00
Social Enterprise	59,296.67	62,261.50
Sub Total Income	102,459.73	106,268.07
Grants		
Dundee City Council Grant	8,189.00	8,189.00
Other Grant Income	188,676.00	188,676.00
Sub Total Grants	196,865.00	196,865.00
Total Income	299,324.73	303,133.07