

**REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
19 MAY 2003**

REPORT ON: NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS GRANT FUND II (2003-2004)

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 332-2003

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 2003-2004.

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 Grant recommendations contained in this report are the same as the previous financial year.

6.3 Detailed below are the recommendations for specific grant awards.

| Name of Applicant | Purpose of Organisation | Grant Requested £ | Grant Recommended £ |
|--|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| The Poverty Alliance | An alliance of voluntary and community, public and private sector organisations, working together to combat poverty. | 200 Membership Fee | 200 |
| 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. | 300 | 300 |

| Name of Applicant | Purpose of Organisation | Grant Requested £ | Grant Recommended £ |
|--|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Volunteer Development Scotland | The national centre for volunteering in Scotland, promoting volunteering and developing initiatives and quality practice. | 120 Membership Fee | 120 |
| 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. | 1,272 | 1,272 |
| | | TOTAL | 1,892 |

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, the Directors of Finance and Support Services.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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