

**REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 14 JUNE 2004**

**REPORT ON: NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS GRANT FUND II (2004-2005)**

**REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES**

**REPORT NO: 429-2004**

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The report makes a recommendation for a grant award from the National Organisations Fund.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the recommended grant.

**3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The grant award will be met from the Department's revenue budget 2004-2005.

**4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The award 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 The grant recommendation contained in this report is the same as the previous financial year.

6.3 Detailed below is the recommendation for a specific grant award.

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.	80 Membership Fee	80

**7.0 CONSULTATION**

7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executives (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.

**Signed: Stewart Murdoch  
Head of Communities**

**Date: 4 June 2004**