

**REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
18 AUGUST 2003**

REPORT ON: EQUALITY ACTION FUND I 2003-2004

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 440-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes a recommendation for a grant award from the Equality Action 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 2003-2004.

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 equalising 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).

Detailed below is the recommendation for a specific grant award.

Name of Applicant	Purpose of Application	Total Cost £	Grant Requested £	Grant Recommended £
Communities – Arts (in partnership with Dundee College)	To provide a series of drama performances throughout Dundee peripheral housing estates highlighting disabilities issues within the context of 2003 European Year of the Disabled.	7,000	5,000	5,000
Whitfield Activity Complex – Keep Fit Group	To help to provide crèche facilities to allow local people to access the Keep Fit Group – two sessions per week.	5,142	2,448	No grant recommended as application is outwith grant criteria

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive and the 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.

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