

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 18 August 2003

REPORT ON: Major Project Grants and Small Project Grants

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 532-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval to award grants to a range of arts and heritage organisations.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee authorise the payment of £800.00 for the grants detailed in the appendix.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The recommended grant awards totalling £800.00 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure and Arts Department's 2002/03 revenue budget. Grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The grants awarded reflect a positive contribution to the Local Agenda 21 theme "access to facilities, service, goods and people is not achieved at the expense of the environment and are accessible to all" and "local needs are met locally".

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Particular consideration is given to applications which prioritise or maximise community involvement generating interaction within specific groups, communities and organisations.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 Major Projects Grants

Aims of the Scheme

- To increase provision of good quality, best value, services in the cultural sector in Dundee
- To promote social inclusion through sector activity
- To assist non-profit organisations undertake the delivery of arts and heritage projects in Dundee
- To complement the Leisure and Arts Department's priorities and public programme

Assessment Criteria

- The extent to which the aims of the Application meet the Aims of the Scheme
- The relevance of the application to the delivery of quality leisure and arts services in Dundee
- The expected impact of Council support on the applicant organisation's ability to deliver leisure and arts services in Dundee

- Evidence of sound organisational and financial management
- Production of a balanced project budget identifying eligible costs up to the sum applied for.

Small Projects Grants

Aims of the Scheme

- To assist non-profit organisations undertake short-term leisure and arts projects in Dundee
- To complement the Leisure and Arts Department's priorities and public programme

Assessment Criteria

- The extent to which the project increases public access to leisure and arts opportunities
- The extent to which the project complements, or adds to, already existing provision
- The impact of Council support on the viability of the project
- Evidence of ability to deliver the project, with sound organisational and financial management
- Production of a balanced project budget.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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APPENDIX 1

Applicant	Application	Criteria	Cost of Project	Request	Recommend
Broughty Ferry Environment Project – The Daisy Chain Project.	Broughty Ferry Environment Project is a registered charity and is a locally managed community group set up to encourage local environment projects and raise awareness with regards to environmental issues. The Daisy Chain is a time-lapse film loop project. This will involve local people taking photographs at regular intervals of the local landscape. These photographs will then be compiled into a professionally made time-lapse loop video with commentary. The video will be projected onto a large screen at an outdoor venue e.g. Reres Hill. The project will allow anyone to provide photographs to be included in the video and will highlight urban open spaces and their significance to local people.	Y	£1,050	£500	£300
Wasps Artists Studios – Wasps Open Doors	Wasps Ltd. (Workshops and Artists Studio Provision Scotland) is one of Scotland s largest visual artists charities. The organisation provides affordable workspace for 750 artists each year in city, rural and island locations in Scotland as well as offering exclusive discounts on arts materials, new graduate discounts and exhibiting and international exchange opportunities for artists. Wasps currently support 48 artists at Meadow Mill Studios in West Henderson’s Wynd. Wasps Open Doors will take place on the weekend of 4 th and 5 th October 2003 with up to 48 artists at Meadow Mill opening their workspaces to the public. The aim being to increase public awareness of artists working in the City, link Meadow Mills Studios with the city’s burgeoning cultural quarter, raise the profile of visual arts in Dundee amongst a local and national audience and create sale and exhibiting opportunities for Dundee based artists. The Wasps Open Doors is a national initiative with up to 500 artists in Aberdeen, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Nairn, Shetland, Selkirk, Alloa, Irvine and Paisley opening their studios to the public at the same time.	Y	£11,500	£500	£500