

## DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

**Report To:** Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 23 August 2004

**Report Title:** Major Project Grants and Small Project Grants

**Report By:** Director of Leisure and Arts

**Report No:** 563-2004

### 1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To seek approval to award grants to leisure and arts organisations.

### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee authorise the payment of £600 for the grants detailed in the appendix.

### 3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The recommended grant awards totalling £600 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure and Arts Department's 2004/2005 Revenue Budget. The grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

### 4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The grant awarded reflects 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 is accessible to all" and "local needs are met locally".

### 5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY 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 public sector activity
- To assist non-profit organisations undertake the delivery of 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 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 delivery 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 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 all 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
Scottish Ornithology Club (Tayside Branch)	The Angus and Dundee Bird Club is a registered charity. As well as advancing the education of the public, in the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of ornithology, the Club also aims to conserve and promote interest in the birds in Angus and Dundee, their habitat and furtherance thereof. This project is involved in the scientific systematic recording of both breeding and passage birds in the Dundee/Angus area. The final report is widely distributed to areas as far apart as America and the Scilly Isles as well as the local natural history groups in Tayside.	The application meets the assessment against criteria	£1,200	£300	£300
Dundee Chess Congress Committee	The Dundee Chess Congress Committee is made up of a group of people dedicated to ensuring that a nationally recognised chess event takes place in Dundee. With 2 Chess Clubs in the City (Castlehill and Dundee & Victoria) Dundee has a proud chess tradition and produced the first two Scottish Grandmasters. It is envisaged that this years Chess Congress, which will be held in the Queens Hotel from the 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> October, will attract people from all over Scotland. As well as the main competition categories the event will have a junior competition, which will be integral to the event, this it is hoped, will stimulate greater chess activity within schools and help develop a new generation of younger players.	The application meets the assessment against criteria	£2,560	£500	£300