

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 25 April 2011

REPORT ON: Dundee International Women's Centre Grant

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 94-2011

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report seeks approval for the payment of the annual grant award to Dundee International Women's Centre (DIWC).

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the grant award of £8,169 to DIWC.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost will be met from the Leisure and Communities Department's 2011/12 Revenue Budget.

3.2 The projects estimated outturn figures for 2010-2011 and draft budget for 2011-2012 are detailed in Appendix 1.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 DIWC provides a range of advice, support and development opportunities for women from black and minority ethnic (BME) communities. Activities include ESOL and other adult learning classes, a crèche and a social enterprise catering service.

4.2 The following key performance outcomes relating to last year's grant have been achieved:

- 184 women took up new membership bringing the total membership to 494 women.
- A full programme of community learning and development opportunities operational throughout the year.
- 41 volunteers have been involved in the management of the project and the delivery of services.
- 24 new jobs have been created since April 2010 through the establishment of the Rise and Shine childcare service.
- 17 job opportunities created through Wooden Spoon Catering company.

4.3 The grant provided contributes to ensuring that the Centre can continue to operate on a day-to-day basis and can act as a meeting place for women to identify their learning needs. This results in the development of the activity programme for which additional funding is often sought. Without the stability provided by DCC grant, this first stage would be difficult to sustain.

4.4 It should be noted that the Outreach Translation Service has now re-located to Central Library and is directly managed via Dundee Translation and Interpreting Service.

4.5 The Centre funds these activities from a number of sources and continues to need the support of a small revenue grant to ensure that core services continue. It is suggested that this focus should continue and that the 2011/12 grant should be related to continued successful delivery of the following outcomes:

- Continue to manage the delivery of a weekly programme of social, educational and recreational activities for all women with a specific focus on those from diverse black ethnic minority and migrant communities. Target - 150 women participating in a range of activities.
- Support and manage volunteering opportunities which contribute to women

developing their personal skills and experience for jobs. Target - 30 women involved in volunteer opportunities.

- Continue to develop the social enterprise businesses in a manner that directly links participation in activities, volunteering within the Centre and potential training/employment opportunities. Target - minimum of 5 women in new employment opportunities and 10 women in work placements.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major issues have been identified.

5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and will be made available on the Council website <http://www.dundee.gov.uk/equanddiv/equimpact/>

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Assistant Chief Executive and Director of Finance have been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Appendix 1

7.2 Equality Impact Assessment.

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APPENDIX 1

DUNDEE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CENTRE

	Estimated Outturn 2010- 2011	Draft Budget 2011-12
Expenditure		
Staff Costs	272,160	280,000
Property Costs	14,175	14,175
Supplies and Services	105,665	108,834
Transport	2,000	2,060
Total Expenditure	394,000	405,069
Income		
Membership	900	990
Interest	160	165
Social Enterprise -Income Generation	58,000	65,261
Service Provision	26,000	30,000
Sub Total Income	85,060	96,416
Grants		
Dundee City Council Grant	8,169	8,169
Dundee Partnership	43,267	43,267
Big Lottery Fund	98,268	101,994
Race, Religion and Refugee Integration Fund	60,000	60,000
BBC Children in Need	16,454	16,433
Third Sector Enterprise fund	65,891	0
Tudor Trust	30,000	33,848
Robertson Trust	0	15,000
Big Lottery- Investing in Ideas	6,537	0
Gannochy Trust	7,000	7,000
Other small grant income anticipated	500	15,000
Sub Total Grants	336,086	300,711
Total Income	421,146	397,127
Surplus/deficit	27,146	(7,942)