

REPORT TO: ALEXANDER TORRANCE CATHRO BEQUEST - 14 APRIL 2008

REPORT ON: APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS 2007 - 08

REPORT BY: HEAD OF FINANCE

REPORT NO: 215-2008

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report gives trustees details of the Alexander Torrance Cathro Bequest grant distribution in 2007, together with reports from the various organisations which have applied for 2008.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Trustees are asked to approve the grants as shown in the attached report which amount to £1,300.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

It is anticipated that the income from the above bequest in 2007-08 will be £1,300 and will therefore support the grant applications received which give a disbursement of that amount.

4 BACKGROUND

The Alexander Torrance Cathro Bequest was formed by the residue of an estate handed over to the former Corporation of Dundee in 1948, the free annual income therefrom to be used to give as many children as might have need an opportunity of enjoying an outing in the country or at the seaside.

Following redemption of the Treasury Stock, the Funds are now all invested with the Council's Loans Fund.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Depute Chief Executive (Finance) have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

7 BACKGROUND REPORTS

None

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31 MARCH 2008

**Alexander Torrance Cathro Bequest
Report on Applications received for 2008**

Applicant	2007 Grant Paid £	2008 Grant Proposed £	Remarks
1.The Salvation Army	330	230	A letter from the Trust Fund Raiser for Scotland states that the 2007 grant was used to subsidise the cost of sending young people from Dundee and District to junior camp weeks at Cullen and the Aviemore Scottish Youth Hostel. It is the group's intention to again treat the children to a junior camp at Aviemore in 2008.
2.The Boys' Brigade	250	150	A letter from the Battalion Secretary states that last year's grant was used to assist boys from the Dundee Battalion in attending camps and activity weekends.This year the annual camp at Killiecrankie and weekend activities outings to Lochearnhead,Pitlochry and Glen Doll are planned. The grant would be used to meet applications from disadvantaged boys to attend these activities.
3.Sense Scotland	130	100	A letter from the Fundraising Officer states that last year's grant was used towards the cost of the association's annual holiday scheme for deaf-blind children and young people.The 2007 holiday scheme involved taking nearly 40 young deaf-blind children with complex additional needs, including some from Dundee,to holidays at Badaguish Outdoor Centre, a similar scheme is planned for 2008. To send a child with support needs on holiday costs from £900 to £1,500.
4.One Parent Families Scotland, Dundee Project	150	120	The Project Manager reports that this group works with one parent families who are on low incomes with little resources . The grant would be used to treat the children to an outing at the Blair Drummond Safari Park.
5. The Dundee Fair Play Training and Development Project and the Dundee Guide Association	110	0	No application received this year.
6.Dreamz4u	0	100	A letter has been received from the chairman in Dundee requesting a donation in order to help with fundraising for children with chronic illness to enjoy a summer holiday.
7.Sargent Cancer Care for Children	130	100	A request has been received from the Trust Fundraising Manager for a contribution towards the cost of providing respite breaks and theraputic holidays for children from Dundee suffering from cancer,at Malcolm Sargent House, Prestwick.
8. Menzieshill Out of School Care Club	110	100	A letter has been received from an Administrator requesting financial support to help children from vulnerable families in the Menzieshill area to enjoy outings to Country Parks and Wildlife Centres this summer. A trip to Monikie Country Park is planned for this year.
9.Fintry Community Playgroup	120	100	A letter has been received from the Secretary requesting a contribution towards the cost of a trip to Crombie Country Park.The group cater for up to 24 children aged 2 to 5 years old.
10.The Attic Youth Project	110	100	An application for funding has been received to help disadvantaged children from the Hilltown area in Dundee to enjoy a trip to Teenranch Outdoor Centre this summer.
11.Home Start	110	100	A letter has been received from the Administrative Assistant giving details of outings planned to Blair Drummond Safari Park. Home-Start Dundee works with families throughout Dundee who have at least one child under 5 years old and who are experiencing stress or various difficulties.
12. The Factory Skatepark	0	100	An application has been received to take socially deprived children from Dundee on a trip to skate parks in Dumbarton and Edinburgh.

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