DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 12 May 2008

REPORT ON: Major Music Fund Allocation 2008-2009

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 144-2008

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes recommendations for the allocation of grant awards from the Major Music Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the recommended grants.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The grants totalling £30,000 will be met from the Department's 2008/09 Revenue Budget.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 In recent years there has been increased pressure on the Major Music budget to meet the demands of the on-going development of music within the City.
- 4.2 To further enable the Major Music budget to be utilised in a strategic manner, all organisations who receive funding from this budget have been asked to submit an application form, a financial statement, and a copy of their constitution. Applications from the following organisations have been received and assessed and recommendations for funding are detailed below. These grants will assist the organisations with the delivery of programmes.

RSNO - to support a concert season at the Caird Hall	£13,500
Scottish Ensemble - to support a concert season at the Marryat Hall and venues across Dundee.	£3,500
Assembly Direct - to support the Dundee Jazz Festival and the development of the Youth Jazz stage at the Festival.	£6,000
Dundee Guitar Festival - to support Dundee Guitar Festival 2008 at the Caird Hall complex and University of Abertay.	£2,500
Caird Hall Classical Music - to support the development of the classical music programme.	£2,000
Dundee Musicians Award - to support the development of professional musicians within the City.	£2,500
Total	£30,000

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Head of Finance have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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