

REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 8 MARCH 2004

REPORT ON: NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS GRANT FUND VI (2003-2004)

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 175-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The report makes a recommendation for a grant award from the National Organisations Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the recommended grant.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The grant award will be met from the Department's revenue budget 2003-2004.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The award will improve access to skills, knowledge and information and/or contribute to achieving the Council's vision of self-sustaining, secure and healthy communities.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Grant assistance is awarded to groups which promote social inclusion and contribute to equalling opportunities within the City.

6.0 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 At its meeting on 10 February 1997, the Committee approved the criteria and procedures for the Department's grant aid portfolio (Report No 127/1997 refers).

- 6.2 Detailed below is the recommendation for a specific grant award.

Name of Applicant	Purpose of Organisation	Grant Requested £	Grant Recommended £
The Scottish Community Development Centre	To promote best practice in community development work, officer research and consultancy to the Local Authority and the Scottish Executive	2,500	2,000

- 6.3 The Scottish Community Development Centre and Scottish Community Development Alliance are promoting a national conference on community development which will take place in Dundee on 3/4 June 2004. This grant will assist with the pre publicity, marketing and development work associated with the preparation of this event. The total budget for the conference is £26,250, exclusive of bed places in Dundee hotels.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executives (Finance) and (Support Services).

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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27 February 2004