DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Communities Committee - 15 January 2007

REPORT ON: Equality And Diversity Grant Fund II (2006-2007)

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 24-2007

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes a recommendation for a grant award from the Equality and Diversity 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 2006/2007.

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Sustainability

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.

- Strategic Environmental Implications None.
- 4.3 Anti-Poverty None.

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

- 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 The recommended grant is to support a very important festival celebrated by all Chinese throughout the world. Whilst this is a cultural event for Chinese of all ages, the aim of the event is to persuade people from the local community to come along and find out about the Chinese New Year and encourage integration, therefore, bringing communities closer together.

| Name of Applicant | Purpose of Application | Total Cost £ | Grant Requested £ | Grant Recommended £ |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Tayside Chinese Community Centre | To introduce Chinese Culture and Arts in Dundee in conjunction with the 2007 Chinese New Year Celebration. | 4,900 | 1,900 | 1,900 |

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.

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