

**REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 9 MAY 2005**  
**REPORT ON: NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS FUND II (2005-2006)**  
**REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES**  
**REPORT NO: 276-2005**

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

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

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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

**3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The grant awards will be met from the Department's revenue budget 2005-2006.

**4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The awards 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 recommendations for specific grant awards.

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Purpose of Organisation</b>	<b>Grant Requested £</b>	<b>Grant Recommended £</b>
Scottish Human Rights Centre	An independent organisation established in 1969 to defend and promote civil liberties in Scotland.	2,570	<b>1,514</b>
The Poverty Alliance	An alliance of voluntary and community, public and private sector organisations, working together to combat poverty.	200 Membership Fee	<b>200</b>

**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 None

**Signed: Stewart Murdoch  
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**Date: 29 April 2005**