REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 13 JUNE 2005

REPORT ON: EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY GRANT FUND I (2005-2006)

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 402-2005

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 2005/2006.

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 to a group which is a community charity aiming to engage and support people in Dundee experiencing mental health problems.

| Name of Applicant | Purpose of Application | Total Cost £ | Grant Requested £ | Grant Recommended £ |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Art Angel - Dudhope Art Centre | Towards the costs of workshops with a creative arts basis and equality and participation as the theme. | 42,100 | 3,500 | 1,750 |

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 Head of Communities