# DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

Report To: Leisure & Arts Committee – 17th June, 2002

Report Title: Major Project Grants and Small Project Grants

Report By: Director of Leisure & Arts

Report No: 454-2002

## 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To seek approval to award grants to a range of arts and heritage organisations.

## 2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Committee authorise the payment of £5,000 for the grants details in the appendix.

## 3. Financial Implications

The recommended grant awards totalling £5,000 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure & Arts Department's 2002/03 revenue budget. Grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

## 4. Local Agenda 21 Implications

4.1 The grants awarded reflect a positive contribution to the Local Agenda 21 theme "access to facilities, service, goods and people is not achieved at the expense of the environment and are accessible to all" and "local needs are met locally"

## 5. Equal Opportunity Implications

5.1 Particular consideration is given to applications which prioritise or maximise community involvement, generating interaction within specific groups, communities and organisation.

## 6. Main Text

#### 6.1. Major Projects Grants

#### Aims of the Scheme

- To increase provision of good quality, best value, services in the cultural sector in Dundee
- To promote social inclusion through sector activity
- To assist non-profit organisations undertake the delivery of arts and heritage projects in Dundee
- To complement the Leisure & Arts Department's priorities and public programme.

#### Assessment Criteria

- The extent to which the aims of the Application meet the Aims of the Scheme
- The relevance of the application to the delivery of quality leisure and arts services in Dundee
- The expected impact of Council support on the applicant organisations' ability to delivery leisure and arts services in Dundee
- Evidence of sound organisational and financial management

• Production of a balanced project budget identifying eligible costs up to the sum applied for.

## Small Projects Grants

#### Aims of the Scheme

- To assist non-profit organisations undertake short-term leisure and arts projects in Dundee
- To complement the Leisure & Arts Department's priorities and public programme

### Assessment Criteria

- The extent to which the project increases public access to leisure and arts opportunities
- The extent to which the project complements, or adds to, already existing provision
- The impact of Council support on the viability of the project
- Evidence of ability to deliver the project, with sound organisational and financial management
- Production of a balanced project budget.

## 7. Consultation.

7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Support Services, Director of Finance and Director of Corporate Planning & have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

## 8. Background Papers

8.1 None.

## SIGNATURE

Director of Leisure and Arts

Date

## **APPENDIX 1**

Applicant	Application	Criteria	Cost of Project	Request	Recommend
Tayside Amateur Musical Society	Tayside Amateur Musical Society is a registered charity. As part of this year's McGonagall Centenary Celebrations the Society is staging 2 productions the first being entitled "McGonagall the Musical. The musical has been written by one of the society's lyricists and is intended to show a portrait of the very colourful, very human and fragile life of the bard William McGonagall. The production is set to be staged in the Whitehall Theatre from the $23^{rd} - 28^{th}$ September 2002.	The application meets the assessment against criteria	1) £12,725 2) £ 1,250	£ 500 £ 500	£ 500 £ 300
	The second production is entitled "Jack 'O' The Cudgel". The Dundee Rep Adult Community Group have been asked to perform McGonagall's three act play at various Dundee venues, e.g. City Centre, Overgate, Wellgate etc.				
Assembly Direct	Assembly Direct is the agency which organises and delivers the Dundee Jazz Festival. The Dundee Jazz festival covers a wide range of jazz influences and is available to all sections of the community. The Festival aims to build on the success of the last six years and will run from May 28 <sup>th</sup> – June 1 <sup>st</sup> . The Festival is presented by Assembly Direct in association with Dundee Rep.	The application meets the assessment against criteria	£20,000 (Estimated)	£5,000	£4,000
Scottish Ornithology Club (Tayside Branch)	The Angus and Dundee Bird Club is a registered charity. As well advancing the education of the public, in the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of ornithology, the Club also aims to conserve and promote interest in the birds in Angus and Dundee, their habitat and furtherance thereof. This project is involved in the scientific systematic recording of both breeding and passage birds in the Dundee/Angus area. The final report is widely distributed to areas as far apart as America and the Scilly Isles as well as the local natural history groups in Tayside.		£ 850	£ 250	£ 200