REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 19 SEPTEMBER 2005

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

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 547-2005

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 Radio Ramadan has two main objectives:
 - To celebrate Islam during the course of the holy month of Ramadan.
 - To inform and educate the local community on Islamic and Islamic lifestyle.

Name of Applicant	Purpose of Application	Total Cost £	Grant Requested £	Grant Recommended £
Scottish Islamic & Cultural Centre, Dundee - Radio Ramadan 2005	To assist with running costs.	6,730	4,974	1,250

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

Date: 9 September 2005

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

Signed: Stewart Murdoch

Head of Communities