

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 10 December 2007

REPORT ON: Non-Recurring Revenue Grants Fund

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 611-2007

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The report details an award from the Department's Non-Recurring Revenue Grants Fund to support the development of partnership work with Youth Scotland over 2007/08.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Committee:

- 2.1 Approves the recommended grant award for 2007/08.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The grant award will be met from the third party payments budget head of Leisure & Communities for 2007-2008.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 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).

- 4.2 Below are details of the specific grant award.

Name of Applicant	Purpose of Application	Total Cost	Grant Requested	Grant Recommended
Youth Scotland	To assist with the cost of employing a Youth Participation Development Worker who will lead the development of a city-wide representative forum for young people, and operating licence costs for Youth Achievement Awards and Dynamic Youth in '07/'08.	£39,332	£8,250	£8,250

- 4.3 This development builds on previous partnership working with Youth Scotland which has contributed to an increase in the uptake by young people of accreditation opportunities via Youth Achievement Awards. An element of the grant award will be to meet the cost of the operating licence for Youth Achievement Awards and Dynamic Youth in 2007/08.

- 4.4 A Dundee Youth Forum will provide opportunities for young people, representing different interests, to come together to discuss youth matters and to represent young people in discussion with decision-makers.

- 4.5 The proposed Youth Forum will be inclusive, taking account of equalities issues, and provide opportunities for young people to coordinate initiatives which can contribute to quality of life improvements for young people in Dundee.
- 4.6 Dundee's Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament will be represented in the proposed Youth Forum. This will fill an important gap in the reporting requirements for MSYPs.
- 4.7 Funding for the post of Youth Participation Development Worker has been secured through YouthLink, Scotland's national youth work agency. A key focus of the partnership with Youth Scotland will be to secure further funding from external sources to sustain this project beyond the initial two years.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty and Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

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

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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