

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 14 February 2011
REPORT ON: Craft Makers Award: Dundee Allocation
REPORT BY: Director of Leisure & Communities
REPORT NO: 65-2011

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report makes a recommendation for grant awards from the Craft Makers Award: Dundee Scheme.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the committee approves the following awards to:

Hilary Grant:

£1000 toward taking part in Pulse International Craft Fair.

Genna Delaney:

£750 towards a stone cutting course to develop her jewellery business.

Lianne McCurrach:

£750 towards participating in the British Craft Fair.

Sara Nevay:

£500 towards a collaborative project on adapting vintage materials to develop her creative practice.

These awards will be made on return of a letter of agreement from the recipients.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The grants recommended for approval total £3,000. A fund of £3000 is available for the financial year 2010/11. £1000 will be met from the Leisure and Communities Department's revenue budget and £2000 through a grant from the Crafts Department of Creative Scotland.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 The Craft Makers Award: Dundee is a partnership between Dundee City Council and Creative Scotland. The scheme awards grants to Dundee-based craft makers towards professional development, researching and creating new work for exhibition and sale. Craft is defined as '**contemporary creative work conceived, designed and made by individual practitioners in ceramics, jewellery and metalwork, furniture and wood, glass, lettering, musical instruments, textiles and basket-making**'. This is the definition used by Creative Scotland.

All the listed applicants were assessed according to the following criteria:

- the quality of the artist's work
- the expected impact of support on the applicant's creative and business development
- the clarity of purpose behind the submission and reasons given for applying for an award
- the quality of the information/material supplied
- the level of commitment to the development of practice.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major issues have been identified.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Assistant Chief Executive and Director of Finance have been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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