DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

- **REPORT TO:** Leisure and Arts Services Committee 15 November 2004
- **REPORT ON: Major Project Grants and Small Project Grants**
- **REPORT BY:** Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 747-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee authorise the payment of £18,000 to RSNO for the grant detailed in the appendix.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The recommended grant totalling £18,000 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure and Arts Department's 2004/2005 revenue budget. Grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The grant awarded reflects 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".

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

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

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 **Project description**

The grant is to support the RSNO's Dundee season of 6 concerts at the Caird Hall, as scheduled below.

6.2 Summary of Aims and Objectives

To increase public access to a range of high quality orchestral music in Dundee. To maintain the Caird Hall's profile as the premier cultural venue in the area through the calibre of it's programming.

6.3 Audience Profile

The 2003/04 season saw an increase in ticket sales of 3.9%, and through the programming of talented young soloists and conductors and continuing work with the RSNO education department, efforts were made to extend the traditional audiences and increase access and participation in classical music. The Scottish Power Schools Proms, which took place in June 2003, involved over 1,474 children from schools in the area.

6.4 Schedule:

Wednesday 6 October 2004

MacMillan – Confession of Isobel Gowdie Mahler – Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen Shostakovich – Symphony No 12, The Year 1917 Alexander Lazarev (conductor), Katarina Karneus (mezzo-soprano)

Wednesday 17 November 2004

Mozart – Symphony No 36 Linz Mozart – Requiem Walter Weller (conductor), Lynne Dawson (soprano), Jane Irwin (mezzo), Mark Padmore (tenor), Christopher Purves (bass), RSNO chorus

Tuesday 14 December 2004

Christmas Concert Christopher Bell (conductor), RSNO Chorus or Junior Chorus

Wednesday 9 February 2005

Tchaikovsky – Romeo and Juliet Overture Rachmaninov – Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini Khachaturian – Adagio from Spartacus Prokofiev – Romeo and Juliet (excerpts) Roberto Minczuk (conductor), William Wolfram (piano)

Wednesday 16 March 2005

Beethoven – Coriolan Overture Mozart – Clarinet Concerto Beethoven – Symphony No 6 Pastoral Walter Weller (conductor), John Cushing (clarinet)

Wednesday 13 April 2005

Glinka – Overture: A Life for the Tsar Rachmaninov – Piano Concerto No 2 Tchaikovsky – Symphony No 5 Alexander Lazarev (conductor), Tatyana Lazareva (piano)

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

STEVE GRIMMOND DIRECTOR OF LEISURE AND ARTS 28 OCTOBER 2004