DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee - 15 December 2003

REPORT ON: Major Project Grants and Small Project Grants

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 817-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee authorise the payment of £200.00 for the grant detailed in the appendix.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The recommended grant awards totalling £200.00 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure and Arts Department's 2003/2004 revenue budget. Grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

4.0 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".

5.0 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 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 and 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 organisation's ability to deliver 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 and 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.

7.0 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

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APPENDIX 1

Applicant	Application	Criteria	Cost of Project	Request	Recommend
Abertay Historical Society	Dundee Celebrates its Literary Lives. This project is a half-day event celebrating Dundee's rich literary heritage and contemporary writers. The occasion will also be the launch of Abertay Historical Society's latest publication "Dundee Literary Lives Vol. 2 – 20 th Century". At this free event one of the authors of the publication will be joined by some of Dundee's most successful authors to talk about the City and its influence on their writing. The event takes place on 6 December at the Baxter Conference Suite, University of Dundee and should appeal to a wide range of local people, acting as a focus for the city's own writing and reading groups.		£500`	£400	£200