

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET – 15 DECEMBER 2010

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Report by Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Cabinet of a grant application from IQRAA for 2010/11 and to make recommendations accordingly.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 IQRAA Asian Women's Group is a well established group who provide community language classes and raise awareness of their culture through information days and events. In financial year 2009/10 they were awarded £1,822 towards operational costs and delivery of community language classes.

3. PERFORMANCE

- 3.1 The grant application has been assessed by the Department of Educational and Social Services, Community Learning and Development Service.
- 3.2 A summary of the assessment for the organisation is noted in appendix 1 of this report.

4. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- 4.1 Previous financial awards are noted in appendix 1 along with the proposed funding recommendations for 2010/11. There is sufficient funding in Central Grants Fund to support the recommendations in the report.
- 4.2 It is proposed that Members consider the recommendations contained for grant aided support as detailed in appendix 1.

5. PERSONNEL/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Nil

6. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The grants have been assessed in accordance with the Councils procedures.

7. COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The aims and objectives of the organisations are compatible with East Ayrshire's Community Plan and Equalities Schemes.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 Members of Cabinet are asked to:

- (i) approve a grant to IQRAA of £1,838; and
- (ii) otherwise note the contents of the report.

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GRS/KG/DG
17 November 2010

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Grant Applications: Grant References: TC4687

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GRANT TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATION 2010/11 APPENDIX 1

Organisation	Assessment	Funding Previously Awarded	Recommendation
<p>IQRAA (Asian Women's Groups)</p>	<p>The grant will be used to pay for tutors and materials for community language classes and assist with the day to day running costs of their group. Currently they have a membership of 42 learners which includes women and children.</p> <p>The group have also participated in International Women's Day events holding information stalls and activity sessions. They have also held events as part of Eid Celebrations to raise awareness of their culture.</p>	<p>The last funding award of £1,822 was made in 2009/10</p>	<p>It is recommended that funding of £1838 is awarded for 2010/11.</p> <p>The group should be encouraged to fundraise to contribute to costs of Eid celebrations and outings.</p>