

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 11 APRIL 2002**  
**VOLUNTARY SECTOR GRANTS 2002/2003**

**Report by Director of Educational and Social Services**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval for recommendations for awards in respect of allocations of education voluntary sector grants for the year 2002/2003

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Voluntary Sector Grants are considered in the following categories:

- Education voluntary sector grants to assist voluntary and community based groups to develop and deliver community based projects;
- Adult education childcare grants for childcare support to adult education initiatives;

- 2.2 In both categories of grants, applicants are expected to meet a number of requirements. The criteria for awards are :

- where applicants are community groups or voluntary organisations they should have a valid constitution;
- applicants should have or be able to make arrangements for proper accounts to be maintained;
- applicants should have a bank account held in the name of the group or organisation with a minimum of two signatories;
- the work of the organisation should be essentially educational in nature; and
- that the grant aid expenditure should have clear benefits for East Ayrshire.

### **2.3** Other key criteria to be considered include:

- the grant aid expenditure should contribute to community development;
- the work of the organisation should address one or more strategic issue;
- the grant aided expenditure can contribute to economic regeneration through developing access to employment;
- the grant aided aspect of the work of the organisation is complimentary to the work of Support to Communities;
- the grant aided expenditure assists in training and the development work of the organisation; and
- the grant aided expenditure is part of a broader collaborative strategy with other departments, agencies or services and community organisations.

Where funding is sought for out of school care projects the applicant should meet the basic eligibility criteria as cited above and should meet the requirements of the Children Act 1989 and the Children Scotland Act 1995 as appropriate.

## **3 PROPOSALS**

**3.1** It is proposed that members consider the recommendations for grant aid support as detailed in Appendix 1. These recommendations are made following positive officer assessment of each application.

## **4. FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

**4.1** The total budget allocated to Voluntary Sector Grants is £47,000.

**4.2** The recommendations detailed in Appendix 1 total £17,400 resulting in a balance of £29,600.

## **5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

**5.1** The council is committed to funding voluntary bodies who operate within the identified criteria.

## **6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

**6.1** Nil

## **7. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1** Support to the voluntary and community sector is compatible with the Council's Core Values, Partnership Agreement and the principles of participation and involvement through Social Inclusion.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1** Members of the Sub Committee are asked to:

- (i) approve the recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1; and
- (ii) otherwise note the contents of the report.

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Director of Educational and Social Services

15 March 2002  
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### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 1. Applications for funding 2002/2003
- 2. Officers Assessments of applications

Members wishing further information should contact Kay Gilmour, Head of Community Support, Tel: (01563) 576104 or Anne Jackson, Principal Community Education Officer, Tel: (01563) 576126.

**IMPLEMENTATION OFFICER: KAY GILMOUR**



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Reference	Applicant	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended by Officer	Amount of Grant Awarded
VSG02/001	LEAD Scotland	To enable and empower physically and/or visually impaired adults to access education, training and lifelong learning opportunities	£500.00	£200.00	
VSG02/002	Project Ability	To support disabled people of all ages to experience the equality of visual arts as both audience and participants.	£4,000.00	£0.00	
VSG02/003	Childline Scotland	To provide a free confidential telephone helpline to any child or young person worried about bullying.	£1,207.00	£500.00	
VSG02/005	Avonlea Youth Centre	To provide in the interests of social welfare, recreation and leisure pursuits and facilities for young people in Catrine & Sorn.	£11,389.20	£4,200.00	
VSG02/007	The Caledonian Award	To involve people with special needs in the Award offering equality of opportunity, integration into the community thus increasing self confidence/independence.	£1,000.00	£300.00	
VSG02/008	Sounds of Progress	To provide access to creative music and movement activities, professional training and facilitate integration between disadvantaged individuals.	£2,250.00	£0.00	

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VSG02/009	Worker's Educational Association	Providing the educational needs of the socially, economically disadvantaged adults.	£23,989.00	£1,000.00	
VSG02/011	Glasgow Gaelic Drama Association	FEIS OIGRIDH is a non-competitive Festival. It encourages to schools to write their own script on an agreed theme, leading to a public performance.	£350.00	£100.00	
VSG02/014	Centre for Studies on Inclusive Education	To provide the inclusion of all children - with or without disabilities - in mainstream education.	£500.00	£0.00	
VSG02/015	Scottish National Dictionary Association Ltd	To revise and republish the Scots Concise Dictionary	£250.00	£0.00	
VSG02/016	Support to Communities – Whole Area	To provide crèche support for adults/parents attending Lifelong Learning Programmes	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	
VSG02/017	East Ayrshire Federation of Community Associations	To provide annual administrative costs	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	
VSG02/021	The National Youth Orchestra	To provide running costs for courses.	£1,000.00	£100.00	
VSG02/023	The Scottish Council for Research in education	To conduct high quality research for the benefit of Education in Scotland and elsewhere.	£1,336.00	£0.00	

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Reference	Applicant	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended by Officer	Amount of Grant Awarded
VSG02/024	Ayrshire Schools Football Association	To provide footballing opportunities for boys aged 13, 14 and 18 at representative level and to provide competitions. Also to provide primary school competitions for boys and girls under 12 years.	£700.00	£700.00	
VSG02/025	Enterprise Music Scotland	To bring high quality groups of musicians and their music to a greater number of people throughout Scotland.	£400.00	£200.00	
VSG02/028	Youth Link Ayrshire	To ensure membership	£100.00	£100.00	
VSG02/029	Scout Association	To provide an active and varied programme of activities, age appropriate , to further the all round development of young people	£2,000.00	£1,000.00	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>£59,971.20</b>	<b>£17,400.00</b>	

**AGENDA**