

The Highland Council

Education, Children and Adult Services Committee

Minutes of Meeting of the **Duncraig Trust Scheme Sub-Committee** held in Committee Room 3, Council Headquarters, Glenurquhart Road, Inverness on Wednesday 2 September 2015 at 12.10 pm.

Present:

Mr B Fernie
Mr R Greene
Mr D Millar

Mrs F Robertson
Dr A Sinclair

Officials in attendance:

Ms F Palin, Head of Adult Services, Care and Learning Service
Miss J MacLennan, Principal Administrator, Corporate Development Service

Business

1. Appointment of Chair

Dr A Sinclair was unanimously appointed Chair of the Sub-Committee and took the Chair.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mrs I Campbell, Dr I Cockburn and Mr A Mackinnon.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Exclusion of the Public

The Sub-Committee **RESOLVED** that, under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following item on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

5. Applications for Financial Assistance

There had been circulated Report No DTS/01/15 by the Director of Care and Learning which provided information about applications for assistance under the Duncraig Educational Trust Scheme. Background information had also been circulated to Members.

The balance of funds in the Trust at the end of financial year 2014/15 was £801,683 comprising £8,334 in the revenue fund and £793,349 in the capital fund. Awards

from the Trust were funded from the revenue balance.

Turning to the determination of awards, Members were reminded that there were two categories, namely Arts, Language, Heritage, Science and Environment; and Sport. In total, 31 applications had been received, 2 of which had been ineligible for consideration and 1 which had since been withdrawn. The total value of the applications assessed was approximately £28k. However, the overall financial position of the Trust had been taken into account in the recommendations for funding which totalled £6,650.

Each application had been assessed by officers with advice, where appropriate, from specialist staff within the Council, High Life Highland and organisations such as Creative Scotland, **sportscotland** and relevant governing bodies of sport. Based on these assessments, 14 applications had been recommended for approval and 14 for refusal.

Thereafter, having considered the applications for assistance, the Sub-Committee:-

- i. **NOTED** the financial position of the Trust;
- ii. **AGREED** to award grants as follows:-

Arts, Language, Heritage, Science and Environment

<u>Application</u>	<u>Award</u>
DETS/A/15/03	£700
DETS/A/15/04	£700

Sport

<u>Application</u>	<u>Award</u>
DETS/S/15/01	£700
DETS/S/15/17	£700
DETS/S/15/09	£700
DETS/S/15/15	£350
DETS/S/15/06	£350
DETS/S/15/14	£350
DETS/S/15/03	£350
DETS/S/15/16	£350
DETS/S/15/11	£350
DETS/S/15/19	£350
DETS/S/15/20	£350
DETS/S/15/13	£350
DETS/S/15/07	£350
DETS/S/15/13	£350
Total Awards	£6,650

The meeting concluded at 12.15 pm