ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Finance and Resources
DATE	15 March 2012
ACTING DIRECTOR	David Leng
TITLE OF REPORT	Applications for Round 4 Funding – Youth Activities Small Grants Fund 2011/12
REPORT NUMBER	ECS/12/013

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The report sets out the recommendations made by the Youth Activities Grant Funding Group for the fourth round of funding for the financial year 2011/12, the closing date for which was 17th January 2012

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

To note the grants awarded as detailed in the appendix to this report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The council approved the Youth Activities Grant Budget for £50,000 from the Common Good Fund for the year 2011/12 at Finance and Resource Committee on 10 February 2011.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

Representatives from: The Aberdeen City Youth Council, the Vice Convenor of Finance and Resources, the Chair of the Aberdeen Children and Young People's Services Strategic Planning Group or their nominated representatives and one other elected member consider the applications on behalf of the Finance and Resources Committee and are known as the Funding Group.

b. The closing date for this round of funding was 17 January 2012. The Funding Group considered the applications on 24 January 2012.

c. Eight applications were received for this round. Two applications were from groups already funded within the year. It is recommended that **6** of the applications are funded. Appendix 1 holds the detail of applications received and the recommendations made. If council approves the applications, there will be **£3,426.07** remaining. As is usual, a folder containing the full original copies of all the applications received will be available in the Members' Library. The Funding Group has also requested that a copy of all reports provided by groups, following the spending of their award, is also made available in the Members Library as and when the reports are available.

6. IMPACT

The report supports priorities of a Vibrant, Dynamic and Forward Looking Aberdeen, and the Council's Partners' commitment to develop integrated services for children and young people. In the policy statement "Vibrant, Dynamic and Forward Looking" the Council sets out its aims to make Aberdeen an even better place to live and work. The Youth Activities Small Grant Funding by promoting the involvement of young people contributes to this aim. It links to the Strengthening Local Democracy Strategy, Getting Involved and Neighbourhood Action Challenges of the Community Plan. It also links to the Community Safety Strategy and the Action Plan for Crime Reduction.

The Youth Activities Small Grants Fund contributes positively to equal opportunities. In particular, clear positive impacts have been identified for the following groups: young people in general; young people with disabilities both in terms of the impact of the activities funded and in terms of involving young disabled people; (there is a requirement under the Disability Equality Duty to encourage participation by people with disabilities in public life); young Gypsy/Travellers; and Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual young people.

The Youth Activities Small Grant Funding offers young people opportunities to contribute to the life of the city and to their communities. Young people receiving funding are likely to benefit in terms of experience, confidence and skills, and therefore contribute to Single Outcome Agreement 4.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix 1 – shows the detail of received applications and recommendations being made to committee regarding funding.

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