GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE

4 AUGUST 2008

(10am - 10.35am)

Present: Councillors DP Blackie, O Hedley, GM Richardson and GK Robinson (Chair)

Officers in attendance:

J Kellett Chief Finance Officer
P Branch Leisure & Culture Manager
F Cooper Accountancy Technician
A Brown Accountancy Technician
G Robinson Democratic Services Officer

1 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business for discussion.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 May 2008, as circulated, be agreed as a correct record.

4 GRANT APPLICATIONS 2008/09

The Chief Finance Officer submitted a report outlining grant applications received for the current financial year, for consideration by the Sub-Committee in accordance with the previously agreed criteria. Members were reminded of the balances available for allocation in respect of both arts grants and general grants. At the last meeting of the Grants Sub-committee 4 applications for arts grants had been approved but it had since become apparent that these applications could be met from Arts Council funding; the original budget of £8,000 therefore remained uncommitted. Members were provided with full details of all the applications received and proceeded to consider them against the criteria.

RESOLVED:

General Grants

a. That the application from Tyne Tees Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group be refused.

Arts Grants

- b. That the application from The Bowes Museum for fire artists for the Lantern Parade, preceded by workshops for young people, be approved.
- c. That the application from Teesdale Pottery Group (artists & venues for advanced skills workshops and support for the Christmas exhibition) be approved.