

Fèisean nan Gàidheal

Minutes of the meeting of the TASGADH Panel held on Monday 7 March from 11.00am via telephone conference

T3-2016-01 PRESENT

Arthur Cormack (AC), Michelle Kelly (MK), Martin Hadden (MH), Mairi McFadyen (MM), Dave Francis (DF), Fiona Campbell (FC), Brian Ó hEadhra (BOH), Moreen Pringle (MP) (Minuting)

T3-2016-02 APOLOGIES

As everyone was available to take part in the phone conference there were no apologies.

T3-2016-03 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PANEL MEETING

The minutes from the Panel Meeting held on 27 October were approved as a true record of the meeting.

T3-2016-04 AGREEMENT ON GRANTS TO BE OFFERED

To date the Panel had awarded grants totalling £23,469, which left £8,031 available to award in this round.

Panel Members declared any interest in an application and took no part in the discussion on that particular application. Where interests were declared, these are noted below in the table of decisions.

45 applications had been received for the final round of grants amounting to a total of £39,790. Prior to the meeting the Panel members had the opportunity to score them based on various criteria. Following careful consideration and discussion the following grants were awarded:

			Interest Declared
IAIN FRASER	RESEARCH AND COMPOSITION OF NEW PIECE	£750	DF
FRIENDS OF WIGHTON	MULTI-INSTRUMENTAL TUITION SESSIONS	£750	DF
PIPING LIVE!	THE PIPING LIVE! STREET CAFÉ	£721	
MARY ANN KENNEDY	"AN DAN" SONG TOUR AND WORKSHOPS	£450	AC
KENNETH HADDEN	FLUTEFLING SCOTTISH FLUTE DAY	£350	DF/MH
AILEEN FINLAY	STORYTELLING USING MULTI-SENSORY PROPS	£700	MM
AN LÒCHRAN	"LEUGH 'S SEINNE LE LINDA"	£300	
FÈIS TIR A MHURAIN	CLARSACH AND GAELIC SINGING WORKSHOPS	£630	AC
FÈIS GHALLAIBH	SCOTTISH TRADITIONAL DANCE TASTER SESSIONS	£525	AC
LITTLE GAELIC VOICES	NEW ONE DAY FÈIS	£505	
FOCHABERS FIDDLE WEEK	FOCHABERS FIDDLE WEEK	£1,000	
ELPHINSTONE INSTITUTE	6 WORKSHOPS IN BANFF AND PERFORMANCE	£450	DF
S STEPHENSON AND M BRITTON	AUDIO RECORDINGS – AURAL STEP DANCE	£300	MK
JOY DUNLOP	SONG CYCLE OF NEW GAELIC SONGS	£600	

Letters of offer to successful candidates, and letters to the unsuccessful candidates, would be issued as soon as possible after the meeting to meet the one-month turnaround promised.

T3-2016-05 FUTURE OF TASGADH

It was felt by the Panel members that the Tasgadh scheme had been very successful over the last year but with grant applications amounting to almost £100,000 having been received, ideally more funding should be made available.

AC outlined discussions with Creative Scotland and it was hoped that we would know by the end of March if Creative Scotland intended to continue the scheme into 2016-17. FnG would let Panel members know.

The Panel members all confirmed that, if Tasgadh continues, they would be happy to continue in their role. AC thanked them for their input and BOH also thanks FnG's team for administering the fund.

AC closed the meeting by saying that, if Tasgadh continues, amendments would be made to the guidelines in line with previous discussions, with clearer guidance for applicants. It had been suggested that we no longer accept applications for recording projects and, instead, would encourage people to apply to the Creative Scotland Open Project Fund. We would set closing dates for the grant rounds and agree dates for Panel meetings with members.

T3-2015-06 AOCB

There were no further items of business.

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