

ANGUS COUNCIL**EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 15 OCTOBER 1996****PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY SERVICES COMMITTEE - 22 OCTOBER 1996****EDUCATION DEPARTMENT - ESTABLISHMENT OF POST OF SUPPORT WORKER****REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL****ABSTRACT**

This report proposes the establishment of one post of Support Worker, jointly funded with the YMCA, Montrose.

1 RECOMMENDATION

- a the Education Committee note and approve the terms of this report for its interest;
- b the Personnel and Property Services Committee approve the establishment of one post of Support Worker grade AP1.

2 BACKGROUND

The Education Department currently fund a sessional post of Youthworker for 15 hours a week based at the YMCA in Montrose.

The post is responsible for co-ordinating a Youth Enquiry Service (YES) for young people providing information on Careers, holidays abroad, facilities for young people with disabilities etc and also liaises with other workers already employed by the YMCA to carry out youth work in Montrose and its surrounding areas.

3 PROPOSAL

At present the sessional worker post is vacant and the YMCA have suggested a 'partnership' approach with the Council to develop and establish new initiatives in addition to the YES, and to improve existing community programmes and services. In order to support these new developments the Board of the YMCA have offered financial funding to help establish a post of Support Worker on 36¼ hours a week.

It is therefore proposed to accept this offer of funding and to establish such a post on grade AP1 for a fixed term of 23 months. Prior to the end of this period the arrangement with the YMCA would be reviewed. The Director of Law and Administration will be consulted to ensure the formalisation of the funding arrangement with the YMCA Board.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of implementing this proposal will be £6700 in the current financial year and £13800 in 1997/98 of which 60% will be funded by the YMCA.

The net cost to the Education Department will be £2700 in 1996/97 provision for which has been included within the Education Department revenue budget.

5 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, the Director of Finance and the Director of Law and Administration have been consulted on the terms of this report.

6 CONCLUSION

It is considered that this proposal would provide a more efficient Youth Information Service and the partnership between community education and the YMCA would help to facilitate many new developments and initiatives to benefit the youth community in the Montrose area.

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No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.