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| Meeting:                               | Grants Advisory Panel                                   |
| Date:                                  | 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2008                               |
| Subject:                               | Flash Musicals - Reserved Grant 2007/08                 |
| Key Decision:<br>(Executive-side only) | Yes   |
| Responsible Officer:                   | Javed Khan, Director of Community and Cultural Services |
| Portfolio Holder:                      | Councillor Chris Mote                                   |
| Exempt:                                | No  |
| Enclosures:                            | None  |

## SECTION 1 – SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This report provides an update on the reserved grant to Flash Musicals following the Grants Advisory Panel meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2008.

### **Recommendations:**

Members are requested to consider the grant reserved to Flash Musicals in 2007/08 and make a recommendation to the Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services to delegate authority to officers to release the amount of £1,000 on signing of the lease for their premises in Methuen Road, Edgware.

### **Reason: (for recommendation)**

To finalise the allocation of grant funding to Voluntary Organisations in 2007/08.

## **Section 2: Report**

### 2.1 Brief History

- 2.1.1 The Grants Advisory Panel meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007 – the Panel recommended to reserve grant funding of £1,000 to Flash Musicals, pending the outcome of discussions with Urban Living regarding their lease arrangements in respect of the community centre in Methuen Road, Edgware.
- 2.1.2 The Grants Advisory Panel meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2007 – the Panel further recommended that the sum of £1,000 to Flash Musicals be left as “reserve” pending further discussions.

### 2.2 Options Considered

- 2.2.1 FLASH MUSICALS: The Director of Corporate Finance has given her approval for the reserved amount of £1,000 reserved in 2007/08 be released to Flash Musicals once the lease of the community centre in Methuen Road has been signed. Officers from Legal Services have advised that the organisation have agreed all the terms and conditions of the lease and hopes to sign in early June 2008.

### Financial Implications

As agreed by the Director of Corporate Finance, the amount of £1,000 has been set aside as an accrual in the grants budget for 2007/08.

### Section 17 Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Considerations

The activities of Flash Musicals has the potential to support initiatives that contribute to community safety. Some of their activities contribute to preventing and tackling crime and anti-social behaviour.

## **SECTION 3 – STATUTORY OFFICER CLEARANCE**

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| Name: Sheela Thakrar            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | on behalf of the<br>Chief Financial Officer |
| Date: 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2008 |                                     |   |
| Name: Helen White               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | on behalf of the<br>Monitoring Officer      |
| Date: 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2008 |                                     |   |

## SECTION 4 – CONTACT DETAILS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

**Contact:** Kashmir Takhar, Service Manager, Community Resources & Projects (ext. 5332);  
Parveen Vasdev, Principal Grants Officer (ext. 7625);  
Charlotte Clark, Senior Grants Officer (ext. 2335).

**Background Papers:** Available on request.

**IF APPROPRIATE, does the report include the following considerations?**

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| 1. | Consultation         | YES - Draft reports sent to Voluntary Sector Advisor for comments. |
| 2. | Corporate Priorities | YES  |