1. **SUMMARY**

1.1 This report details the recommendations for the award of Social Welfare Grant under Section 10 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968. All organisations are contacted and assessed in line with the Council’s criteria. The assessment forms are attached as an appendix.

1.2 A budget allocation of £11269 has been made to the Area Committee which remains uncommitted at this time.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Area Committee agrees an award of Social Welfare Grant to the Organisations listed below.

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<th>Organisation</th>
<th>Grant Awarded 2008/09</th>
<th>Amount Requested</th>
<th>Total Running Costs</th>
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<td>2.1 Relationship Scotland</td>
<td>£1500</td>
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<td>2.2 Argyll &amp; Bute Rape Crisis</td>
<td>£500</td>
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3. **DETAIL**

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<td>3.1 Relationship Scotland</td>
<td>To assist in the provision of a telephone counselling service for Oban, Lorn and the Isles and other running costs.</td>
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<td>To support the cost of a Locality Co-ordinator for Oban, Lorn and the Isles.</td>
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4. CONCLUSION

4.1 The recommendation is based on an assessment using the Council’s criteria.

5. IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Policy:
Accords with the Council’s statutory duties and procedures.

5.2 Financial:
The report details the apportionment of the Social Welfare Grant budget for Oban Lorn and the Isles.

5.3 Legal:
The Community Services Department must demonstrate that it is meeting its obligations under Section 10 of the Social Work Scotland Act.

5.4 Personnel:
There are no direct implications.

5.5 Equal Opportunities:
The allocation of Social Welfare Grant supports the Council’s commitment to equality of opportunity and social inclusion.

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