

## **8 SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT – SINGLE SHARED ASSESSMENT – ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY POSTS (AN494-2003)**

Reference is made to the report “Community Care - A Joint Future” by the Scottish Executive which required local authorities and health agencies to develop and progress joint working in the delivery, management and resourcing of services for older people and others receiving community care services. Single Shared Assessment involves staff from Health and Social Work working closely together to improve access and quicker delivery of service.

In Dundee, both Tayside Health Board and Dundee City Council are working jointly on an action plan which details the tasks to be completed to meet the recommendations outlined in the above mentioned report and, in order to achieve this, a Project Team consisting of social work and health staff is required.

Therefore, approval is sought to establish a post of Project Leader, graded PO15-18 (£35,343 - £37,833) for a temporary period, initially until 31st March, 2005, to oversee the Single Shared Assessment Project pre and post implementation, and also a post of Project Worker, graded PO1-4 (£24,888 - £27,015) for a temporary period, initially until 31st March, 2004, by which time Single Shared Assessment should be in place. Another Project Worker post for this Project has been established by Tayside Health Board.

These posts will be jointly funded from the Social Work budget through additional monies received from the Scottish Executive to implement the recommendations of the Joint Future Group and through resources provided by the NHS.