REPORT TO: DEVELOPMENT QUALITY COMMITTEE - 26 APRIL 2004

REPORT ON: BUILDING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1959

SECTION 13 - DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 252-2004

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise members of the action taken in dealing with dangerous buildings during the month of February 2004.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that Committee note the contents of this report.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 All costs incurred in taking direct action, including staff time and administration charges, will be recovered from individual owners.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Ensuring that buildings are maintained in a safe condition will contribute towards Key Theme 8 by creating a safe and pleasant environment.

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no equal opportunities implications of relevance to this report.

6 BACKGROUND

6.1 Dangerous Building Notices

The City Engineer investigated 11 incidents relating to public safety of dangerous buildings during the month of February 2004. No formal Notices and Orders were issued under Section 13(1c) of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959.

6.2 Direct Action Taken

Direct action has been taken in one instance to ensure public safety is maintained under Section 13(1b) of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959.

6.2.1 75-83 Ann Street Dundee

Priority Care, Unit 3, Edward Street Dundee Collapsed chimney. Dundee Contract Services barricade the carriageway to carry out survey. Owner carried out the remedial repairs.

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6.3 Advisory Letters Is sued

Letters were issued to two owners advising them to have their properties inspected and to undertake the necessary repairs to the following properties.

6.3.1 <u>8 Eden Street</u> Dundee Remove loose slates and TV aerial at the rear of the property.

6.3.2 No 38-40-42 Seafield Road Dundee - Remove loose TV aerials from the front of the properties.

7 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 There are no background papers of relevance to this report.

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