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REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 31 OCTOBER 2016

REPORT ON: PROPOSED COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER OF SITE OF THE FORMER DOUGLAS HOME CARE UNIT/DOUGLAS HOUSE

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 322-2016

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek the approval for the transfer, as a Community Asset Transfer, of the site of the former Douglas House, 8 Balunie Drive, Dundee.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the proposed transfer of the 0.723 hectare site of the former Douglas House, 8 Balunie Drive, Dundee as shown, shaded on the attached plan, to Scotland Yard Adventure Centre, Scottish Charity Number SC002538.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Community Asset Transfer will be for the sum of £1.00.

4 BACKGROUND

4.1 Reference is made to Article IV of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee of 19 August 2013, wherein members approved the Community Asset Transfer Strategy. A Community Asset Transfer Steering Group was then set up to consider applications for Community Asset Transfer. The Steering Group introduced a staged application process and scoring mechanism to process applications received.

4.2 One organisation, namely Scotland Yard Adventure Centre, has submitted a satisfactory application for the site of the former Douglas House to be considered for asset transfer.

4.3 Scotland Yard Adventure Centre is an award winning organisation that runs adventure play centres for disabled children in Scotland. The Yard would intend to use the subjects to run an adventure play and youth work service for disabled children and young people, offering a permanent location to provide their service delivery in Dundee.

4.4 An Assessment and Scoring process has been developed to give a weighting of 10% for Governance, 30% for Finance and Business Planning, 50% for Community Benefits and 10% for Market Value, (where applicable). The high level of scoring allocated to Community Benefits reflects the Council's commitment to ensure that local communities are consulted and have ownership of a lease, or asset transfer being approved in their respective multi-member Wards and Community Areas.

4.5 After consideration by the Community Asset Transfer Steering Group, the application was scored against the above Assessment Criteria, resulting in a score of 69.65 out of 100.

4.6 The sale will be subject to an Economic Development Burden which is intended to protect the future of the property. The burden requires that the subjects shall be used for all time as a community facility to promote the principles of: personal development; and/or healthy lifestyles; and/or wellbeing; and/or community engagement and empowerment; and/or social inclusion.

4.7 Members are requested to approve the proposed transfer to Scotland Yard Adventure Centre.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.
- 5.2 The proposed sale meets the terms of the Council's Community Asset Transfer Strategy.

6 CONSULTATIONS

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, the Executive Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 There are no background papers of relevance to this report.

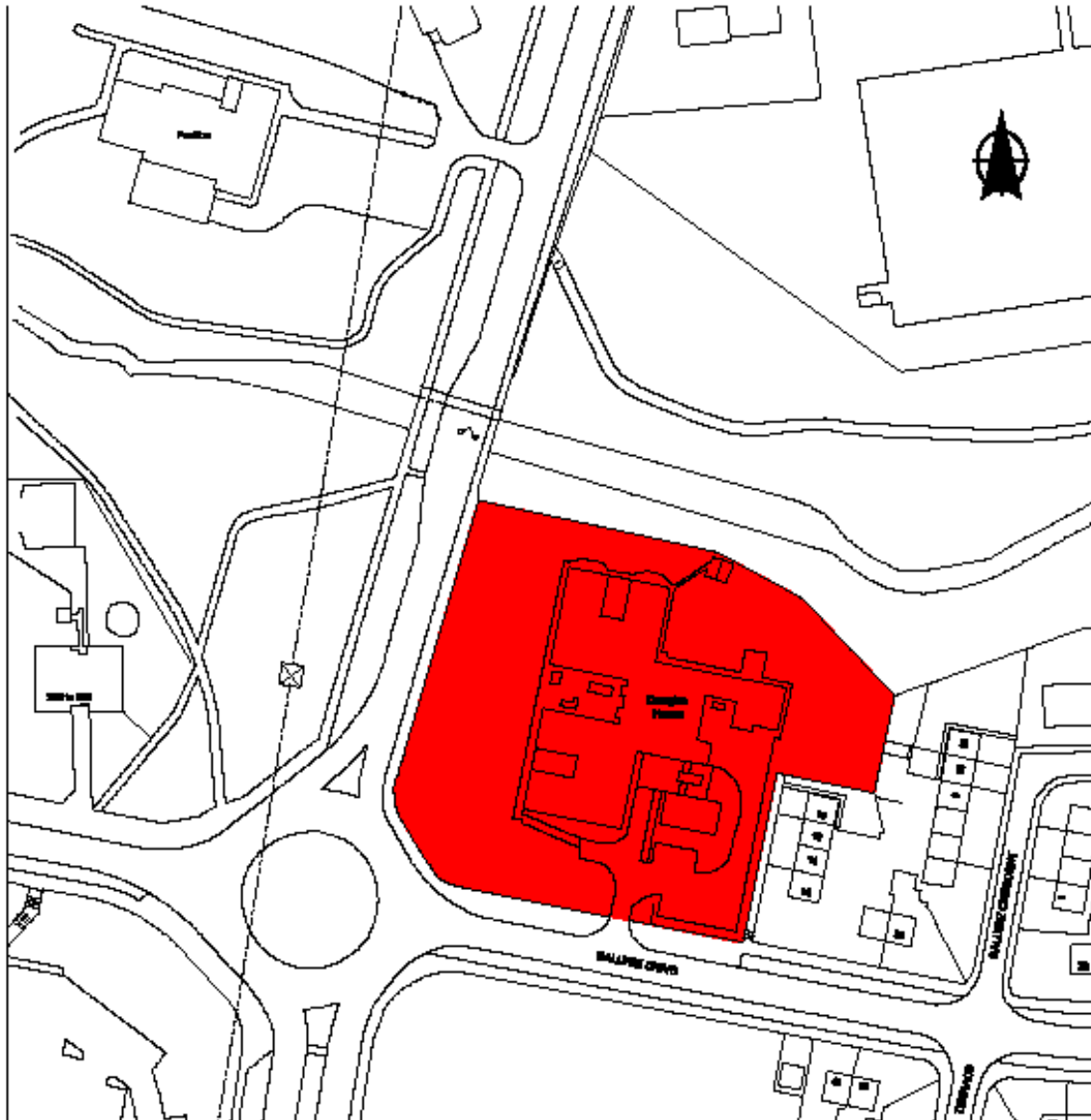
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