REPORT TO: DEVELOPMENT QUALITY COMMITTEE - 27 JUNE 2005

REPORT ON: BUILDING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1959

SECTION 13 - DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 358-2005

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise members of the action taken in dealing with dangerous buildings during the month of April 2005.

2 RECOMMENDATION

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 tme 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 17 incidents relating to public safety of dangerous buildings during the month of March 2005. One formal Notice and Order was issued under Section 13(1c) of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959.

6.1.1 <u>10 Nelson Street, Dundee</u>

Demolish building, reduce height of boundary wall, secure site with fencing.

Notice of Intention to make order requiring operations on a dangerous building

6.2 **Direct Action Taken**

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

6.2.1 <u>41 Lyon Street, Dundee</u> - DCS removed leaning pullyshee pole.

G McLane - 41 Lyon Street, G/L
Kalum Chowdhury - 41 Lyon Street, G/R
John McKay - 41 Lyon Street, 1/L
John & Margaret Picken - 41 Lyon Street, 1/R

 Grant Clark
 41 Lyon Street, 2/L

 G McLane
 41 Lyon Street, 2/R

 Centurytrack
 41 Lyon Street, 3/L

 J Wright
 41 Lyon Street, 3/R

6.2.2 <u>1-9 Murraygate, Dundee</u>

Falling masonry. Erected barriers around the Body Shop entrance. Arcadia Group have completed building survey.

Arcadia Group, Body Shop, Dundee

6.2.3 <u>1-3 Bank Street & 38-40 Reform Street, Dundee</u> - Falling masonry. Erected barriers. Victoria

Wine have completed masonry survey.

Victoria Wine fire door

6.2.4 <u>1 Park Street, Dundee</u> - Leaning boundary retaining wall - barriers

erected.

George Buchanan Slater - 1 Park Street 1/A
L P Riddock Ltd - 1 Park Street 1/B
Alan George Donnelly - 1 Park Street 1/C
Alan George Donnelly & Patricia Mary Donnelly 1 Park Street 1/D

6.3 Advisory Letters Issued

One letter was issued to the owners of a property advising them to have it inspected and repaired as necessary.

6.3.1 18 Lochalsh Street, Dundee

- Cracked/leaning boundary retaining wall.

7 CONSULTATIONS

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

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.

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