

REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 8 Dec 2014
REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES
REPORT NO: 457 - 2014

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Committee on the requests received for Charity Relief on Non-Domestic properties in respect of the applications outlined in appendix 1.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council agrees to recommendation as outlined in appendix 1. This report makes recommendations based on the Council's agreed policies.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This Council directly incurs the cost of 25% of the amount granted as Discretionary Relief apart from that which is granted to Sports Clubs which is 100% funded from the Non-Domestic Rates pool.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

The Council agreed to accept Report 149/1996 in respect of the granting of Charity Relief on Non-Domestic property. The Council also agreed to accept report 117/2004 which amended the policy with regard to sports clubs. The Council also agreed to accept report 468-2006 which amended the policy with regard to charity shops.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti Poverty, Risk Management and Equality Impact Assessment. The Equality Impact Assessment carried out for report number 433-2010 in September 2010 fully addresses the proposals in this report. There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and the Head of Democratic Legal Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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Director of Corporate Services

Date:

APPENDIX 1**REPORT NO: 457 - 2014****POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE****REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES****SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES**

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Sense Scotland 43 Middlesex Street, Kinning Park, Glasgow, G41 1EE	Shop 203 Brook Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 2AG	5,038.41 (20.06.14-31.03.15)	To provide support and relief to children and adults who have any combination of hearing, visual, learning and physical disabilities and to provide help and support. Premises are being used to sell over 50% of donated good to raise funds	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00
Deaf Link Alana Trusty, The Old Mill, 23 Brown Street, Dundee, DD1 5EF	Shop Unit 22 Level 3, The Wellgate, Dundee, DD1 2DB	4,210.74 (25.08.14-31.03.15)	To enable deaf people to become equal and active citizens in the community. Shop being used to sell donated goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00

Hillcrest Housing Association Ltd 1 Explorer Road, Dundee, DD2 1EG	Office 10B Rosefield Street Dundee DD1 5PP	659.40 (01.04.14-31.03.15)	Providing good quality accommodation at affordable rents	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	32.97
Gowrie Care Ltd Ian Stephen, 1 Explorer Road, Dundee, DD2 1EG	Office Priory Court, Alloway Place, Dundee, DD4 8WA	471.00 (01.04.14-31.03.15)	Providing social care services and housing support	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	23.55
Doug McLaren T/A Lochee Re-Use Centre 109-111 High Street, Lochee	Shop 109-111 High Street, Lochee, Dundee, DD2 3TX	462.00 (01.04.13-31.03.14)			
		18,171.40 (01.04.14-31.03.15)	Preparing for a reuse centre	Refuse relief as not a registered charity	
		13,329.69 (01.07.13-31.03.14)			