

REPORT TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE – 14 AUGUST 2006

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

REPORT NO: 468 - 2006

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek authorisation from the Committee to grant Charity Relief on Non-Domestic properties in respect of the applications attached.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

That the Council agrees to grant Remission of Rates as detailed on the attached report.

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 AGENDA 21

None

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

None

6.0 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. This report makes recommendations based on the Council's agreed policy.

7.0 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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Depute Chief Executive (Finance)

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FINANCE COMMITTEE**REPORT BY DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)****SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES**

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
The University of Abertay Pert Finance Officer 40 Bell Street Dundee DD1 1HG	Office Dudhope Castle Dudhope Park Dundee DD1 5QZ	6,127.90 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07)	A higher education institution to provide post grad research and teaching/undertake graduate teaching	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00
Dundee Cyrenians Reception & Settlement Centre 10 Brewery Lane Dundee DD1 4QW	Office Parkmill 95/99 Douglas Street Dundee DD1 5AZ	22,151.70 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07) 13,158.86 (02/09/05 - 31/03/06)	Provide housing and support for single homeless adults	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	1,107.58

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Shelter The National Campaign for Homeless People Ltd 88 Old Street London EC1V 9HU	Office 1 Courthouse Square Dundee DD3 6JE	7,857.50 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07) 6,056.15 (01/07/05 - 31/03/06)	To help people find and keep a home. Campaign for decent housing and help to improve the lives of homeless and badly housed people.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	392.87
Royal National Lifeboat Institution West Quayside Road Poole Dorset BH15 1HZ	Cable Balmossie Quarry Arbroath Road Dundee DD5 3QZ	44.90 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07)	A voluntary life saving service around the coast of the UK	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	2.34
Art Angel Dudhope Arts Centre 5 St Mary Place Dundee DD1 5RB	Studio Dudhope Art Centre 3 St Mary Place Dundee DD1 5RB	1404.89 (01/04/05 - 31/03/06)	To provide the welfare of persons affected by mental health difficulties by providing facilities or assisting with facilities so their conditions of life may be improved.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	70.24

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Looking Good/Aline Project Per Mrs Pat Wilson 36 Kirkton Place Dundee DD3 0BU	Shop 21/23 Haldane Crescent Dundee DD3 0JH	1816.68 (01/04/06 –31/03/07) 2060.53 (01/04/05 – 31/03/06)	To relieve poverty and hardship. Premises being used as a shop/store and selling donated goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00
Carolina House Trust Per Financial Controller 23 Roseangle Dundee DD1 4LS	Showroom 9/10 Dock Street Dundee DD1 4BT	3636.90 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07) 317.14 (29/02/06 –31/03/06)	To provide education, training and assistance to vulnerable young people. Premises being used as a shop trading in donated goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00
Sense Scotland 43 Middlesex Street Glasgow G41 1EE	Office 136g Seagate Dundee DD1 2HF	1212.30 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07)	To provide support and relief to people with multiple sensory impairments	Grant 80% Mandatory relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	60.61
Downfield Musical Society 27-29 Guthrie Street Dundee DD1 5EB	Warehouse (Part) 26 Milton Street Dundee DD3 6QS	9922.01 (01.04.06 - 31.03.07) 10071.31 (01/04/05 - 31/03/06)	To present musical shows in local theatres. Premises used to store props for shows.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	496.10
RSSPCC (Children 1 st) 47 Blinshall Street Dundee DD1 5DF	Office 47 Blinshall Street Dundee DD1 5DF	6106.40 (01/04/06 - 31/03/07) 2593.72 (01/11/05 - 31/03/06)	To prevent abuse and neglect of children in Scotland and to protect the interest and welfare of children who may be at risk.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	305.32