REPORT TO: HOUSING COMMITTEE – 19 JANUARY 2004

REPORT ON: Lily Walker Centre

Extension to Office (Partnering) (03-463)

REPORT BY: Director of Housing and City Architectural Services Officer

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval for the extension to the office area at Lily Walker Centre.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Approval is recommended of:
 - a) construction of a new extension to the office area at an estimated total cost of £50,000 inclusive of professional fees.
 - b) the City Architectural Services Officer being authorised to negotiate a contract within the overall allowance under a partnering arrangement with Alexander Oastler Ltd, Dundee and the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) in conjunction with the Director of Housing to accept the offer recommended by the City Architectural Services Officer.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Depute Chief Executive (Finance) has confirmed that this expenditure will be met from a grant from the Scottish Executive to assist in the provision of homelessness strategies.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Resources are used efficiently and waste is minimised.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None

6.0 **REPORT**

- 6.1 The works comprise the construction of a new extension to the existing office area to accommodate four additional work spaces for staff involved in the implementation of homelessness strategies
- The nature and extent of the work was assessed together with the recent performance and availability of local contractors and as a result it is proposed that the City Architectural Services Officer enters into a partnering arrangement with Alexander Oastler Ltd, Dundee with a view to completing the work prior to the end of March 2004 and within the overall allowance of £50,000

7.0 **CONSULTATIONS**

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

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8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Unless otherwise stated on the attached sheet, no background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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