

REPORT TO: DEVELOPMENT QUALITY COMMITTEE - 17 MARCH 2008

**REPORT ON: BUILDING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003
SECTIONS 29 & 30 - DANGEROUS BUILDINGS**

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 116-2008

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise members of the action taken in dealing with dangerous buildings during the month of December 2007.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee notes the contents of this report.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 All costs incurred in taking direct action, including staff time and administration charges, will be recovered from individual owners.

4 BACKGROUND

4.1 Dangerous Building Notices

a Thirty incidents relating to public safety of dangerous buildings were investigated during the month of January 2008. No formal notices under Building (Scotland) Act 2003 were issued during this period.

4.2 Direct Action Taken

Direct action has been taken on three occasions to ensure public safety is maintained under Section 29(2) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003.

4 Duncan Street

Mr Keith Richard Smith
70 Camphill Road
Broughty Ferry
Dundee

Corrugated iron fence blown over
Re-erect fence and make safe
CS to carry out works

74 Harestane Road

Janet McKenzie

Dangerous trees overhanging footway and
gardens of Whitburn Terrace
Trees cut down to a safe height by DCS
Parks Department

25 Mains Loan

Martin McKay
38 Kingsway
Dundee

Board up and secure fire damaged building

4.3 Advisory Letters Issued

1 advisory letter was issued to owners during this period.

294-300 Perth Road, Dundee

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.

With regard to sustainability, the undernoted issue has been identified:

Built Environment

- Protect the quality and diversity of the city's built heritage and enhance the city centre and local environments through ongoing regeneration.
- Adopt sustainable practices in the design, construction and maintenance of Council buildings and infrastructure, and encourage others to adopt similar practices.

6 CONSULTATIONS

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

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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