

**REPORT TO:** POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 14 MARCH 2011  
**REPORT ON:** RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF  
**REPORT BY:** DIRECTOR OF FINANCE  
**REPORT NO:** 137-2011

#### **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 RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Council agrees to grant Remission of Rates as detailed on the attached report. 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 which was carried out for Report No 433-2010 in September 2010 fully addresses the proposals in this report and is available on the Council's Website <http://www.dundee.gov.uk/equanddiv/dequimpact/>.

#### **6.0 CONSULTATION**

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

#### **7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None

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**REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

**SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES**

| APPLICANT   | SUBJECTS  | UNIFIED<br>BUSINESS RATE<br>PAYABLE<br><br>£ | REMARKS  | RECOMMENDATION  | ANNUAL COST<br>TO COUNCIL<br>£ |
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| British Heart<br>Foundation<br>Warwick House, 1<br>Claremont Lane,<br>Esher Surrey, KT10<br>9DP | Shop<br>Unit 12/13 Level 2,The<br>Wellgate,Dundee,DD1<br>2DB    | £10137.44<br>(30.11.10-31.03.11)             | The objects which the<br>Foundation is established are to<br>attack and defeat diseases and<br>conditions of the heart and<br>circulation and other diseases<br>illness or condition by<br>undertaking and promoting<br>research for the public benefit<br>into their cause, diagnosis,<br>treatment and prevention. | Recommend 80%<br>Mandatory Relief                                 | 0.00                           |
| British Heart<br>Foundation<br>Warwick House, 1<br>Claremont Lane,<br>Esher Surrey, KT10<br>9DP | Shop<br>Unit 14/15 Level 2 The<br>Wellgate,Dundee,DD1<br>2DB    | £11771.44<br>(30.11.10-31.03.11)             | " "  | Recommend 80%<br>Mandatory Relief                                 | 0.00                           |
| Dundee Women's<br>Aid Company Ltd<br>4 Argyle Place,<br>Thomson Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 4LE      | Office<br>4 Thomson Street,<br>Argyle Place, Dundee,<br>DD1 4LE | £3152.52<br>(01.06.10-31.03.11)              | To provide and encourage the<br>provision of temporary refuge for<br>women, young people and<br>children where all or any have<br>been abused  | Recommend 80%<br>Mandatory Relief and 20%<br>Discretionary Relief | 157.63                         |

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| Dundee Womens Aid Company Ltd<br>4 Argyle Place,<br>Thomson Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 4LE  | Hostel<br>3 Thomson Street,<br>Argyle Place, Dundee,<br>DD1 4LE        | £1,254.23<br>(01.06.10-31.03.11) | " "   | Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief   | 62.71  |
| Downfield Musical Society<br>27-29 Guthrie Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 5EB                   | Factory<br>Unit 5 Angus Works,<br>Fairbairn Street,<br>Dundee, DD3 7JG | 737.28<br>(31.10.10-31.03.11)    | To provide theatrical and musical entertainment within The City of Dundee                                     | Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief   | 36.86  |
| Yusuf Youth Initiative<br>234 Arbroath Road,<br>Dundee, DD4 7SB                         | Meeting Room<br>34 Bellfield Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 5JB                | 5,950.01<br>(15.06.10-31.03.11)  | To work with youths from minor ethnic groups who have social or personal problems                             | Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief   | 297.50 |
| Gilfillan Memorial Church<br>87 Glenmarkie Terrace<br>Dundee<br>Fao Mr W Allan          | Shop<br>26 Whitehall Crescent,<br>Dundee, DD1 4AY                      | 1,105.92<br>(09.10.10-31.03.11)  | Shop being used to sell Christian Literature and Fairtrade items.   | Refuse relief as current policy states there must be at least 51% donated goods for sale in shop. All items for sale are new. | 0.00   |
| The University Of Abertay<br>Per Finance Officer,<br>40 Bell Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 1HG | Office<br>G/1 10 Lyon Street,<br>Dundee, DD4 6RE                       | 405.88<br>(01.10.10-31.03.11)    | Teaching, learning and research institution of Higher Education. Property associated with student residences. | Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief  |        |
| The University Of Abertay<br>Per Finance Officer,<br>40 Bell Street,<br>Dundee, DD1 1HG | Store & Office<br>L/G/2, 7 Lyon Street,<br>Dundee, DD4 6RF             | 398.08<br>(09.09.10-31.03.11)    | Teaching, learning and research institution of Higher Education. Property associated with student residences. | Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief  |        |

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| <p>The University Of Abertay<br/>Per Finance Officer,40 Bell Street,Dundee,DD1 1HG</p> <p>Scotia Aid Sierra Leone<br/>10 Newton Place, Glasgow, G3 7PR</p> | <p>Warehouse, Faraday Business Centre, Faraday Street, Dryburgh Industrial Estate, Dundee, DD2 3QQ</p> <p>Office Claverhouse Business Park, 4 Jack Martin Way, Dundee,DD4 9BZ</p> | <p>19,954.80<br/>(01.04.10-31.03.11)</p> <p>1,236.15<br/>(11.03.10-31.03.10)</p> <p>2,542.53<br/>(12.02.11-31.03.11)</p> | <p>Teaching, learning and research institution of Higher Education.</p> <p>To relieve hardship and distress of persons in need of humanitarian support, dealing with villages in the Makeni region of Sierra Leone. Premises used for storing educational furniture &amp; materials en route to sierra leone.</p> | <p>Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief</p> <p>Recommend 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief.</p> | <p>127.13</p> |
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