REPORT TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE – 14 MARCH 2005

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

REPORT NO: 166-2005

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.

Date: 28 February 2005

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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SUBJECT:

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Girl Guides Association (Scotland)	Shop 37/39 Cowgate Dundee DD1 2JF	2496.32 (02 April 2004 to 31 March 2005)	To assist young women develop emotionally, mentally, physically & spiritually. To make a positive contribution to their community and the wider world. Premises used as a shop selling guiding uniforms & accessories to members of the organisation.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00
Forthill Squash Club	Sports Centre Fintry Place Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 3BO	5424.52 (01 September 2003 to 31 March 2004) 9516.00 (01 April 2004 to 31 March 2005)	To promote and encourage squash in Dundee and surrounding area.	100% Discretionary Relief	0.00

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Tayside Foundation for the Conservation of Resources Ltd	Office Unit 5 Matthew Court Milnes East Wynd Dundee DD1 5BA	619.99 (01 April 2004 to 31 March 2005)	To advance the education of the people in Scotland and elsewhere in matters relating to: ecology and the natural environment, waste reduction and recycling, renewable energy and conservation, improving the environment by avoiding wasteful practices and the promotion of sustainability.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief Plus 20% Discretionary Relief	31.00
Tayside Foundation for the Conservation of Resources Ltd	Shop 74 Peddie Street Dundee DD1 5LT	764.94 (01 April 2004 to 31 March 2005)	As above except premises to be used for retail of reclaimed stationary.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	0.00