

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE – 20 JUNE 2005

**REPORT ON: PAYMENTS FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY VOLUNTARY BODIES
2005/2006**

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 381 - 2005

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report details the recommendations of the Director of Social Work on the level of payments for services provided by voluntary organisations for 2005/2006.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that The Social Work Committee: -

2.1 Agrees payments to the voluntary organisations listed in Appendix 1 at the levels outlined, subject to the Director of Social Work remaining satisfied that the service provided meets the service specification.

2.2 Agrees that Ardlar Information Point be paid £23,650 for 2005/06, but that in accordance with paragraph 6.4 the organisation be advised to seek alternative sources of funding from 1 April 2006.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of implementing the recommendations within this report is £2,005,270. This cost can be met from the total 2005/2006 budget provision for payments to voluntary organisations.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 A range of voluntary organisations receive funding from the Social Work Department, as payments for services provided. The provision of these services is governed by a service level agreement with the organisation concerned.

6.2 The organisations listed in Appendix 1 all have service level agreements with the Social Work Department. The specification and monitoring requirements for these organizations are stringent, and as a minimum each agreement will be

reassessed each year to determine the appropriate level of funding for the next year. For most organizations, an inflationary increase of 1.25% is proposed for 2005/2006.

- 6.3 A rolling programme of detailed reviews is underway. These examine the content of service level agreements, the level of funding and the appropriateness of varying funding cycles, eg, to move to 3-year budgets. Where a review results in a recommended significant change in funding, a separate report will be brought forward to the Committee.
- 6.4 The Social Work Department has for a number of years supported Ardler Information Point. However, the work undertaken by this organisation is not related to core Social Work Services. It is therefore proposed that the Director of Social Work inform this group that funding from the Social Work Department will cease from 1 April 2006. This will give Ardler Information Point time to seek alternative funding.

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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Date: 10 June 2005

APPENDIX 1

| Organisation | 2004/05 Funding £ | 2005/06 Funding £ |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Aberlour Trust - Outreach Service | 142,000 | 142,000 |
| Age Concern - Scotland | 23,290 | 23,590 |
| Alzheimers Scotland - Extended Day Care | 57,400 | 58,120 |
| Alzheimers Scotland - Integrated Day Care | 27,670 | 28,020 |
| Alzheimers Scotland - Whitfield Day Service | 70,540 | 70,540 |
| Ardler Information Point | 23,650 | 23,650 |
| Barnardo's Bridge Project | 26,650 | 26,990 |
| Barnardo's Family Support Team | 194,888 | 197,330 |
| Barnardo's Riverside Project | 25,933 | 26,260 |
| Barnardo's Supporting Primary Aged Children Early Project (SPACE) | 43,691 | 44,240 |
| Body Positive | 37,750 | 38,230 |
| Carolina House | 131,630 | 133,280 |
| Children First Family Resource Centre | 53,858 | 54,540 |
| Church Of Scotland - Axis Project | 57,000 | 57,000 |
| Dundee Association for Mental Health Befriending Scheme | 37,663 | 37,670 |
| Dundee Association for Mental Health Kandahar House | 76,975 | 77,940 |
| Dundee Drugs and AIDS Project | 13,801 | 13,980 |
| Dundee Homestart | 21,910 | 22,190 |
| Dundee Independent Advocacy Service | 22,739 | 23,030 |
| Dundee Sitter Service | 54,108 | 54,790 |
| Dundee Society for Blind & Partially Sighted People | 194,810 | 197,250 |
| Dundee Voluntary Action | 39,930 | 40,430 |
| Family Mediation Tayside | 15,960 | 16,160 |
| Jean Drummond Day Care Centre | 90,090 | 91,220 |
| Mid-Lin Day Care | 41,247 | 41,770 |
| National Schizophrenia Fellowship Carers Support | 37,401 | 37,470 |
| One Parent Families Scotland | 84,511 | 85,570 |
| Parent to Parent | 31,265 | 31,660 |
| Princess Royal Trust Disabled and Carers Information Centre | 25,340 | 25,660 |
| Princess Royal Trust Information and Development Workers | 24,300 | 24,620 |
| Scottish Huntington's Association | 27,800 | 27,800 |
| Tayside Association for the Deaf | 90,420 | 91,550 |
| Tayside Council on Alcohol | 36,382 | 36,840 |
| The Wishart Centre | 55,650 | 55,650 |
| Who Cares? Scotland | 30,310 | 30,690 |
| Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre | 4,680 | 4,740 |
| Youthlink | 12,633 | 12,800 |
| Total | 1,985,875 | 2,005,270 |