REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 25 OCTOBER 2010

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

REPORT NO: 616-2010

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.dundeecity.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

Marjory Stewart Director of Finance

Date: 14 October 2010

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SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Hanover (Scotland) Housing Association Ltd Head Office, 95 Mcdonald Road, Edinburgh, EH7 4NS	Office 32A Regent Place, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 1AT	372.88	Providing support for residents living in sheltered housing	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	18.64
Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre, Dundee G/0, 2 Dudhope Street, Dundee, DD3 6JA	Office G/0, 2 Dudhope Street, Dundee, DD3 6JA	3621.97 (07.06.10-31.03.11)	To provide support and training to women and girls who have been raped and sexually assaulted.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	181.10
New Scottish Choir And Orchestra C/O 22 Montague Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 2RD	Activities Centre Tay Bridge Centre, Riverside Drive, Dundee, DD1 4DB	4436.30 (01.04.10-31.03.11) 2737.88 (01.09.09-31.03.10)	The advancement of christian faith and to reach out to the community through christian music. Run workshops and lessons to support and encourage the development of children through the arts.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	221.81
Salvation Army Per Philip Wragg 66/78 Denington Road, Wellingborough	Shop 205 Brook Street,Broughty Ferry,Dundee,DD5 2AG	6217.18 (29.07.10-31.03.11)	The advancement of Christian religion, education, relief of poverty and other charitable objects beneficial to society. The property is a shop selling 100% donated goods	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief only.	

The Tayside Council On Alcohol 50 Constable Street,Dundee,DD4 6AL The University Of Abertay Per Finance Officer,40 Bell Street,Dundee,DD1 1HG	Day Centre 50 Constable Street,Dundee,DD4 6AL Clubroom 1-3 Bell Street, Dundee, DD1 1HP	14736.13 (20.08.10-31.03.11) 40406.17 (01.08.10-31.03.11)	To provide support, education and information to persons experiencing problems arising from alcohol misuse in Tayside area. Premises are being used as office space and counselling. Abertay is a higher education institution providing a full range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The premises are being used mainly for social and entertainment for the university.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief. Grant 80% Mandatory Relief only.	736.81
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