REPORT TO: PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE -

29 OCTOBER 2001

REPORT ON: CITY CENTRE FAÇADE ENHANCEMENT GRANT SCHEME

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 632-2001

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise Committee of further uptake of grant assistance under the Façade Enhancement Grant Scheme.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee agree to award a grant of £6,000 for the works proposed at 12 Exchange Street.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The expenditure of £6000 in the financial year 2001/2002 is included within the current approved Financial Plan, for the financial year 2001/02. The grant can be met from these sums.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 By the successful renovation of City Centre buildings, the distinctive architectural character of the City Centre will be retained and will assist in addressing the following key theme of Dundee 21:

"places, spaces and objects combine meaning and beauty with utility"

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The floor level of the shop, accessed by external steps, does not allow for disabled access.

6 BACKGROUND

6.1 <u>12 Exchange Street</u> – Committee is advised that five grants have been awarded within Exchange Street under FEGS. The property a Category B listed building at 12 Exchange Street, currently vacant, will be remodelled to form a more traditional frontage. External roller shutters will be removed, thus improving the overall streetscape. The owner of the premises is a local businessman therefore a 75% grant of the approved costs is recommended. All necessary listed building and planning consents are in place.

7 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services, Director of Corporate Planning, and Scottish Enterprise Tayside, have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 Minutes of Planning Committee (CDDC) City Centre Facades Enhancement Grant Scheme June 1994 – Item 3 refers.

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