5 CAIRD HALL DEVELOPMENT - ASBESTOS REMOVAL (AN154-2002)

Reference is made to Article I of the minute of meeting of the Arts and Heritage Committee held on 18th March 2002 when approval to proceed with the development of the Caird Hall was given.

At an early stage in the works material containing asbestos was identified in duct chambers and in order to minimise delay to the main project an offer to remove the asbestos was obtained from Jaydee Heating and Electrical Limited who have listed Trojan Limited as a specialist sub-contractor. With the permission of the Chief Executive this offer was accepted.

The removal of the asbestos will cost £17,700 inclusive of an allowance for professional fees. This expenditure can be met from the Leisure and Arts Department's 2002/03 Capital Budget.

Further duct cleaning work will be carried out early next year during a period when the Caird Hall is not being used. This duct cleaning will be carried out by a specialist contractor and will be the subject of a separate report.