2 DUNDEE CYRENIANS - THE WISHART CENTRE (AN192-2007)

Dundee Cyrenians provide a range of services for homeless people in Dundee, for which they receive Supporting People and NHS funding. In November 2006, Dundee Cyrenians took over responsibility for the Wishart Centre in Constable Street, Dundee from the former Wishart Centre Board. Dundee Cyrenians continued to provide a limited day service from the Wishart Centre, using funding from NHS Tayside and the Community Regeneration Fund.

A full service review of the Cyrenians' activities is underway, as required for continued Supporting People funding, and the longer term future of day services in the Wishart Centre is being considered alongside this review. However, the review will take some time to conclude and in the interim Dundee Cyrenians are seeking funding to continue the existing Wishart Centre services until March 2008.

It is recommended that the Sub-Committee agree to a one off payment to Dundee Cyrenians of £25,000 for 2007/08 to provide services at the Wishart Centre. This will be funded from the Social Work revenue budget for 2007/08.