REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE 26 April 2010

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

REPORT NO: 214-2010

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 RECOMMENDATION

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 and Equality Impact Assessment.

There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

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

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
The Trustees Ex Officiis of Tayside Chinese Community Centre Per Michael Wong, 5 Brackenbrae, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 1RX	Hall 75A Dens Road, Dundee, DD3 7HY	4617.60 (01.04.09 -31.03.10) 4396.80 (01.04.08 -31.03.09) 798.14 (23.01.08 -31.03.08)	To address the needs and promote the benefit of the Chinese Community in Tayside. Promote equality, advancement of education and health and create opportunities for the social, political and economic inclusion.	Grant 100% Discretionary Relief	1154.40
Trustees Ex Officiis of Fairfield Sports And Leisure Club Per Mr Dean Holmes 15 Osprey Rise, Piperdam, Angus, DD2 5GF	Football Ground, Happyhillock Road, Dundee, DD4 8LU	962.00 (01.04.09 -31.03.10) 331.27 (20.11.08-31.03.09)	To promote and develop youth football and other sports in the local community.	Grant 100% Sports Relief	
Abertay Housing Association Fintry Nursery, Fintry Road, Dundee, DD4 9EG	Office 147 Fintry Drive, Dundee, DD4 9HE	897.69 (08.02.10 - 31.03.10)	To provide affordable rented accommodation in an efficient, caring and friendly environment, for people in housing need. The premises are being used as temporary accommodation to run youth project, creche and training facilities.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	44.88

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Art Angel (Scotland) Limited Manhattan Works, Unit 15, Dundonald Street, Dundee, DD3 7PY	Office, Manhattan Works, Unit 15, Dundonald Street, Dundee, DD3 7PY	1,254.55 (01.01.10 - 31.03.10)	To provide facilities for people with mental health difficulties and their carers offering access to a range of community based activities.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	62.73