REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 11 May 2009

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

**REPORT NO: 255-2009** 

### 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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Depute Chief Executive (Finance)	Date:

# **POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

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**SUBJECT**: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
University of Dundee Mr S W Rottger Nethergate DUNDEE DD1 4HN	Telecommunications Site Telecommunications Network, within Dundee City Council area, Dundee	£4,122.00 (01.04.08 - 31.03.09) £4,329.00 (01.04.09 - 31.03.10)	Educational establishment	Grant 80% mandatory relief	
St Mary's Community Centre Management Group St Mary's Community Centre 39 St Kilda Road DUNDEE DD3 9ND	Community Centre St Mary's Community Centre, 39 St Kilda Rd Dundee DD3 9ND	£11,351.60 (01.04.09 - 31.03.10) £3,849.71 (22.11.08 - 31.03.09)	The provision and management of a social, recreational and educational community facility that improves everyday lives of residents of St Mary's, in particular those who are disadvantaged and/or socially or financially excluded.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	£567.58
British Red Cross Society Moorfield House 44 Morrfields LONDON EC2Y 9AL	Shop 18 Reform Street DUNDEE DD1 1RG	£21,631.00 (01.04.09 - 31.03.10) £11,742.14 (05.09.08 - 31.03.09)	Working to improve health, for the prevention of disease and the prevention and alleviation of human suffering in the British Islands and throughout the world. Property being used as a charity shop selling collected and donated goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief	