

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 13 SEPTEMBER 2010
REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
REPORT NO: 433-2010

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.

An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and will be made available on the Council website <http://www.dundeecity.gov.uk/equanddiv/equipact/>

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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APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Tayside Pmr & Gca Support Prospect Iii Unit 11, Gemini Crescent, Dundee, DD2 1TY	Office Prospect Iii Unit 11, Gemini Crescent, Dundee, DD2 1TY	1169.65 (03.05.10 -31.03.11)	To provide support for people who have Polymyalgia Rheumatica and/or Giant Cell Arteritis, their relatives and carers.	Award 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	58.48
Imran Mohammed Zakariya School Per Zuber Latif Karim, Trustee, 42 Strathern Road, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 1PN	School 42 Strathern Road, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, DD5 1PN	2376.88 (01.04.10 - 31.03.11)	Religious, moral and secular education for females of ethnic origin. Currently in receipt of 80% Mandatory Relief totalling £9507.52 and now applying for additional 20% discretionary relief.	Refuse additional 20% discretionary relief.	
Claverhouse Group Towngate Business Centre, 4-6 Staffa Place, Dundee, DD2 3SX	Workshop Units 1/2 Towngate Business Centre, 4-6 Staffa Place, Dundee, DD2 3SX	6634.18 (01.04.10 - 31.03.11) 1002.98 (01.02.10 -31.03.10)	To provide services to the local community including training, support and advice to unemployed adults, creating employment opportunities through social enterprise. The property is being used as a workshop and sale of recycled bikes and donates goods.	Award 80% Mandatory Relief and an additional 20% Discretionary Relief.	331.71

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Craigowl Communities No 2 India Buildings, 86 Bell Street, Dundee, DD1 1HN	Office, 237 Hilltown, Dundee, DD3 7AN	3389.81 (01.06.10 - 31.03.11)	To provide or assist in the vocational training, education and guidance services and related, and where appropriate, other forms of assistance to employed/unemployed persons in the interest of social welfare.	Award 80% Mandatory Relief only	