REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 27 OCTOBER 2008

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

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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 £
Aberlour Child Care Trust Unit 2 East side of Benvie Road, Dundee DD2 2LN	Office and Store Unit 2 East side of Benvie Road, Dundee DD2 2LN	4488.40 (01.04.08 - 31.03.09) 566.79 (13.02.08 - 31.03.09)	To promote the welfare of children and improve the lives of children and young people in Scotland.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	224.42
Hearing Voices Network (Dundee) 216 Hilltown Dundee DD3 7AU	Shop 222 Hilltown Dundee DD3 7AU	1336.36 (05.06.08 - 31.03.09)	To relieve the suffering and distress of person suffering from 'hearing voices' due to any mental illness.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	66.81
The Lennox Partnership Limited Unit 1a Erskine House, Clydebank Business Park, Clydebank G81 2LG	Office - 17/19 King Street, Dundee DD1 2JD	13577.86 (14.07.08 - 31.03.09)	Delivers services to enable people to find lasting work and make organisations more sustainable. Premises to be used for support and training programme, targeting clients who are furthest away from the labour market. (long term unemployed, serial trainees, exoffenders, recovering addicts and young people in need of more choices and chances). The organisation is not a registered charity.	Grant 100% Discretionary Relief	3394.46

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