DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

- REPORT TO: Personnel and Management Services Committee 20 October 2003
- **REPORT ON:** Social Work Department Revised Staffing Establishment
- REPORT BY: Director of Social Work and Assistant Chief Executive (Management)
- **REPORT NO:** 510-2003

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report outlines and seeks approval for changes to the structure of the Social Work Department and provides details of changes in reporting relationships.

2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Personnel and Management Services Committee:-

- 2.1 approves the proposed organisational structure outlined in Appendix 1;
- 2.2 approves the establishment of 7.5 new posts outlined in Appendix 2;
- 2.3 approves the redesignation and change of grade of posts outlined in Appendix 2;
- 2.4 notes the changes in reporting relationships as outlined in Appendix 3.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Adjustments have already been made within the Social Work Department's Revenue Budget 2002/03 to reflect the establishment and deletion of posts. Other changes in designation and reporting arrangements are outlined in the report.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.
- 5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 None.

6 BACKGROUND AND PROPOSALS

- 6.1 The Social Work Department structure was previously reviewed and approved by Personnel and Management Services Committee in August 2002 (Report No. 578/2002). The revised structure takes account of 30 reports and agenda notes approved by Committee since August last year. These reports included arrangements involving the establishment of 168.1 additional full time equivalent posts.
- 6.2 The establishment and organisational structure that is proposed in Appendix 1 has been developed to ensure that continued priority is given to direct care, as outlined in the Social Work Service Plan. The new posts and changes in designation and grades are outlined in Appendix 2.
- 6.3 The Committee is asked to approve the following additional changes to the establishment:-
- 6.3.1 A Social Work Assistant post, graded GS3/AP1, at Ninewells Hospital is proposed on a permanent basis to support the hospital discharge process. This is part of the council's strategy to meet delayed discharge targets. The postholder's focus is on providing practical assistance to patients returning home.
- 6.3.2 Another part of the delayed discharge process involved increased needs and assessment for equipment and a quicker response to people discharged from hospital. This has now been funded on a permanent basis. A part time Occupational Therapist, graded AP4/5 + 1, and a Driver Handyperson, graded MW3, are proposed. The continuation of these posts on a permanent basis will be a component of the joint equipment store being developed in conjunction with Health.
- 6.3.3 As a result of improved care standards for regulation and inspection to operate respite facilities at the Mackinnon Centre, it is proposed to increase the existing staffing establishment of Social Care Officer, residential grade SCP16-23, by 60 hours a week (1.6 full time equivalent). Improved numbers and turnover of service users receiving respite care means that the Domestic Assistant, graded MW1, establishment should be increased by 53 hours a week (1.4 FTE)
- 6.3.4 Further to a report earlier this year on a review of senior management that established a Manager for Strategy and Performance at Headquarters, it is proposed to support this post and functions with a Secretary, graded AP1. This Secretary will also provide cover for the Director's Secretary.
- 6.3.5 The functions of a Senior Planning Officer post in Criminal Justice Service were absorbed into a new partnership manager post in Report No. 566/2002, approved in August 2002. It is proposed to delete the post of Senior Planning Officer, grade PO7-10. An additional post of Social Worker, graded AP4/5 + 1, to be met from the Scottish Executive Criminal Justice Grant allocation, is required to resource front line services.
- 6.3.6 Menzieshill House provides day care as well as residential care. This is different to other residential homes for older people and requires additional catering. A review of catering and domestic activities at Menzieshill House revealed that 20 hours a week from the Domestic Assistant establishment should be transferred to the catering establishment in terms of Cook, graded MW1-4.

- 6.3.7 In an earlier report reviewing the senior management, this outlined a need to shift from a more traditional planning activities to a more strategy and performance focus at Headquarters. It is proposed to redesignate four Senior Planning Officer posts to Senior Officer, Strategy and Performance. The grades remain the same, PO7-10.
- 6.3.8 Some prioritisation of needs in one part of community care concerns mental health care management. A transfer of one Social Worker post in services for people with physical disabilites to care management, mental health and redesignation to Care Manager is proposed. The grade remains the same, AP4/5 + 1.
- 6.3.9 One post of Senior Administrative Assistant in Criminal Justice Service should be redesignated to Administrative Officer, to make this consistent with a post at Headquarters. The AP5 grade remains unchanged.
- 6.3.10 The review of the establishment in 2002 allowed the Director of Social Work maximum flexibility in the deployment of employees and gave the authority to vary reporting relationships. This has enabled the Director of Social Work to place employees where their services are most required. Some changes have been required in operational management and are outlined in Appendix 3.

7 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and the appropriate trade unions.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.

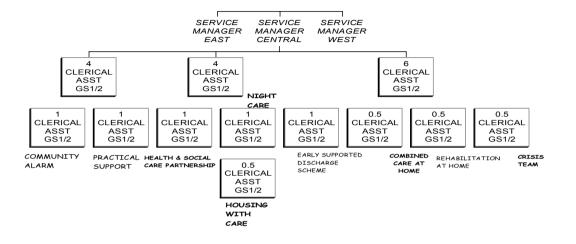
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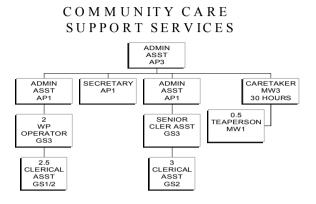
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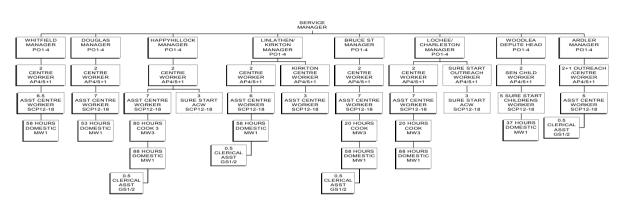
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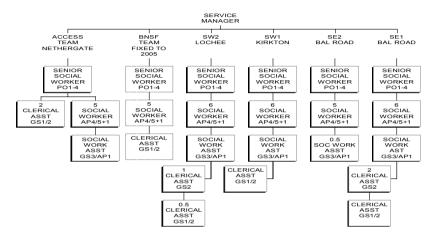


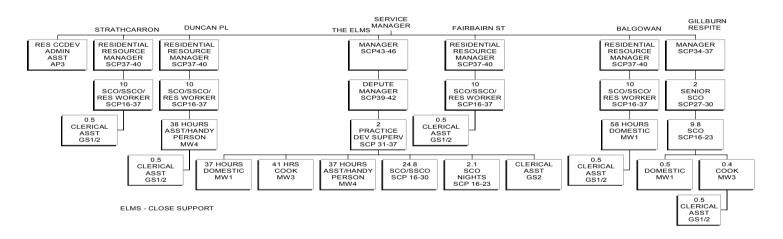
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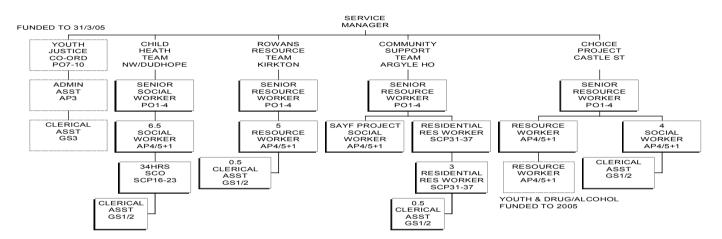
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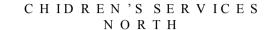


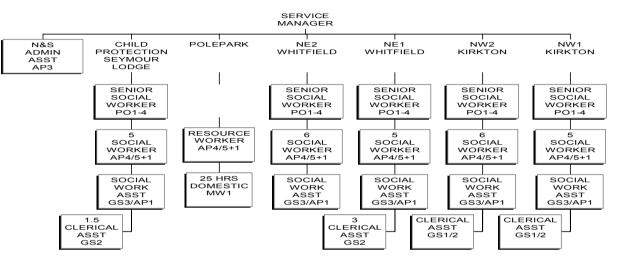


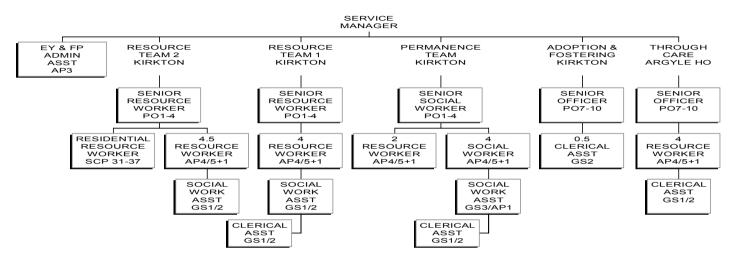
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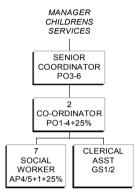


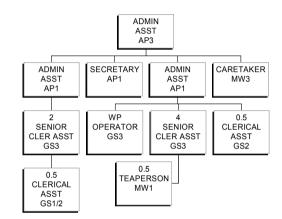


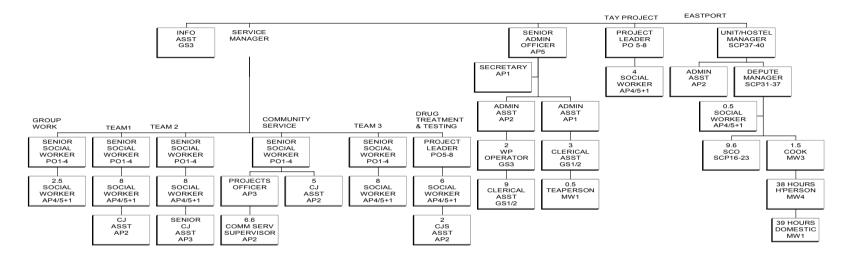
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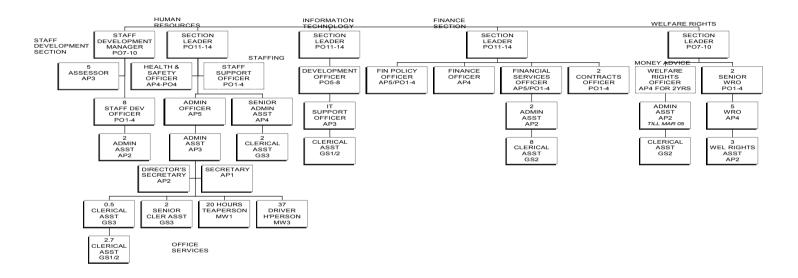






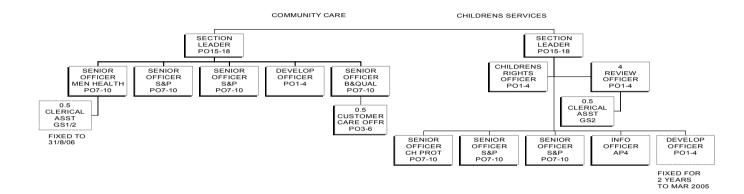


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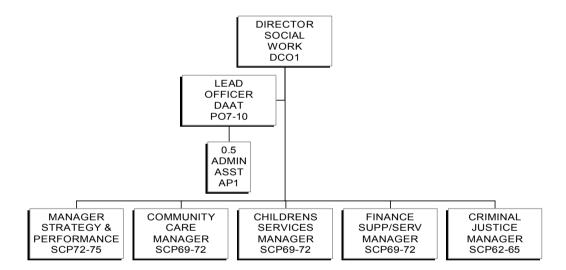


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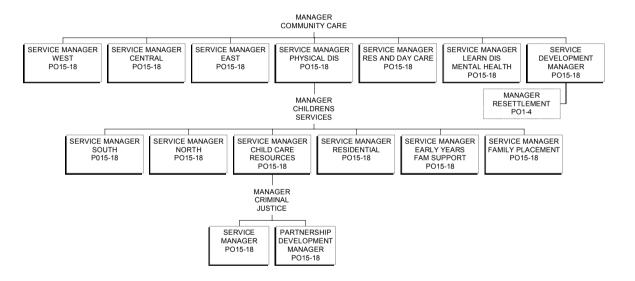
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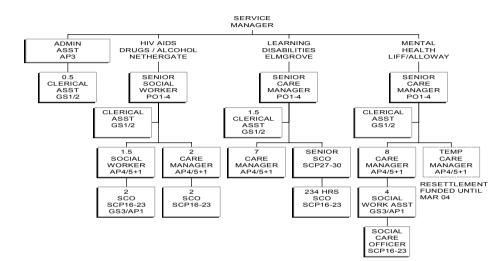
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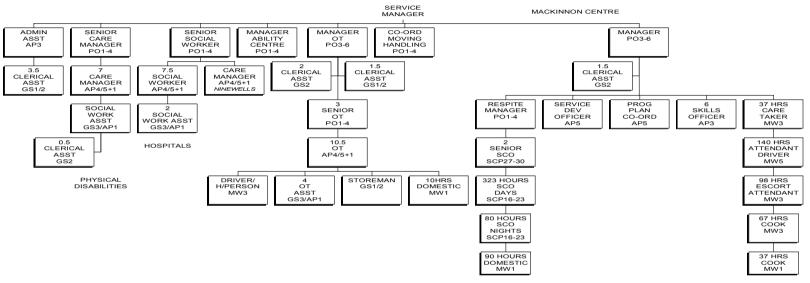
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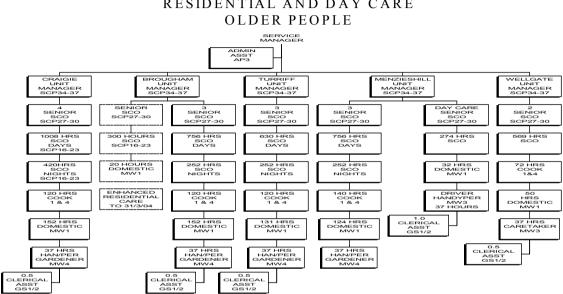






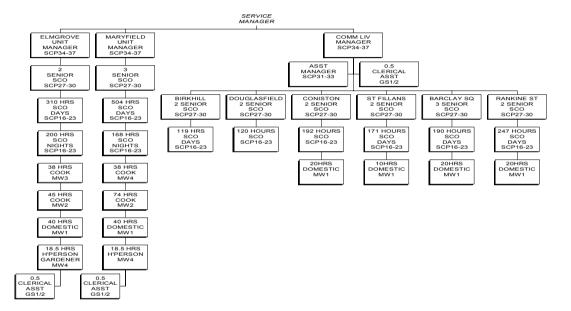


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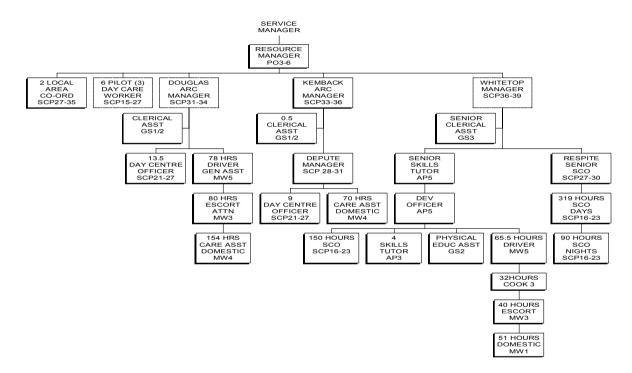


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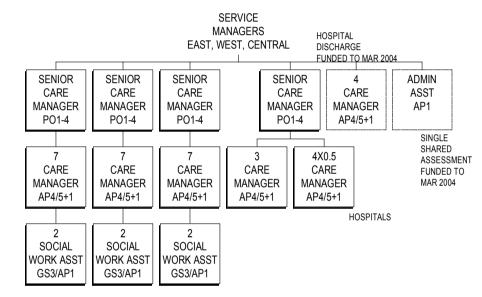


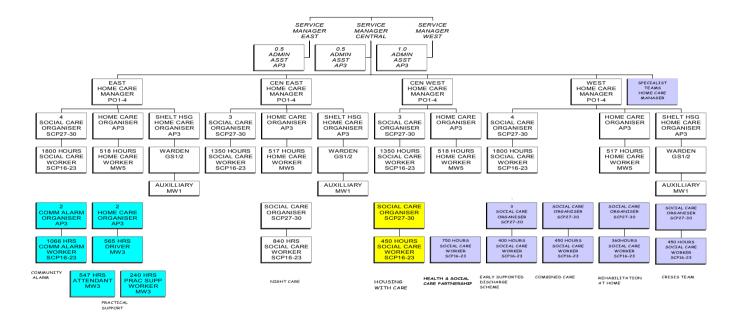


LEARNING DISABILITIES & MENTAL HEALTH DAY SERVICES



EAST WEST CENIRAL OLDER PEOPLE CARE MANAGEMENT







<u>Appendix 2</u>

NEW POSTS

Designation SOCIAL WORK ASST DRIVER /HANDYPERSON OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST SOCIAL CARE OFFICER DOMESTIC SECRETARY	Section PHYSICAL DISABILITIES OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MACKINNON CENTRE MACKINNON CENTRE HEADQUARTERS	Grade GS3/AP1 MW3 SCP27-35 SCP16-23 MW1 AP1	No. of Posts 1 1 0.5 1.6 (60HRS) 1.4 (53HRS) 1
SECRETARY SOCIAL WORKER <u>DELETION</u> SENIOR PLANNING OFFICER	CRIMINAL JUSTICE	SCP27-35	1
		101-10	I

CHANGE OF DESIGNATION OR GRADE

)	Section
OOK 1/4 (20 HOURS)	OLDER PEOPLE MENZIESHILL HOUSE
ENIOR OFFICER	STRATEGY AND PERFORMANCE
ARE MANAGER	T/F FROM LEARNING DISABILITIES TO
CP27-35	MENTAL HEALTH
DMIN OFFICER	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
	NIOR OFFICER RE MANAGER P27-35

Appendix 3

CHANGE IN REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

Grade	From	То
SCP27-35	MACKINNON CENTRE	LEARNING DISABILITIES CARE MANAGEMENT
	MANAGER CHILDRENS	SERVICE MANAGER
SCD27 35		SOUTH SERVICE MANAGER
3CF27-35	SOUTH	CHILD CARE
	DEVELOPMENT	
	SERVICE MANAGER	SERVICE MANAGER
	SOUTH	CHILD CARE
DO7 40		DEVELOPMENT
PO7-10		STRATEGY AND
		PERFORMANCE SECTION
PO1-4	SERVICE MANAGER	STRATEGY AND
	CHILD CARE	PERFORMANCE SECTION
	DEVELOPMENT	
SCP27-35	SERVICE MANAGERS	SERVICE MANAGER
	NORTH AND CHILD CARE	FAMILY PLACEMENT
	DEVELOPMENT	
SCP27-35	NW1 TEAM	CHILD PROTECTION
SCP27-35	MACKINNON CENTRE	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
		TEAM
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