10 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS - LOCHEE PARK (AN133-2007)

The Council received an approach from National Playing Fields Association about the possibility of entering into an agreement between the two organisations in relation to protecting parkland, public open space and perpetuity. National Playing Fields Association are a registered charity whose mission statement - "Striving to improve the quality of life and health of everyone, the NPFA will work to ensure the availability, protection and development of high quality, well used local facilities for outdoor sport and play for all communities, throughout the nation". The organisation provides advice to Councils, organisations and the public in relation to protection of open space.

NPFA already have a role within Dundee City Council with an area at Caird Park designated George V Playing Field Area to the east of the park where they have a legal status where any proposals to develop the area are subject to consultation with National Playing Fields Association.

It is recommended that the Director of Leisure and Communities, together with the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) are given permission to enter into an agreement in respect of Lochee Park. The principles of the agreement will be reported back to Committee where final approval for the partnership will be sought.