

7 VOLUNTARY LOCAL PRIVATE LANDLORD ACCREDITATION - DUNDEE PILOT (AN383-2004)

In June 2004 Communities Scotland launched their "National Core Standards and Good Practice Guidance for Private Landlords and for Local Accreditation Schemes". To test this guidance, Communities Scotland have selected four local authorities to set up Voluntary Local Accreditation Schemes, these being Dundee City Council, Edinburgh City Council, Dumfries and Galloway Council and South Ayrshire Council.

The authority has been awarded a grant of up to £45,000 per year for two years to establish the scheme in partnership with private landlords. The Housing Department has contacted a number of local private landlords to raise awareness of the initiative and to set up a steering group to scope and design the Accreditation Scheme.

A report will be brought forward to a future Housing Committee meeting with proposals for launching the accreditation scheme.