REPORT TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE – 12 MARCH 2007

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

REPORT NO: 169 - 2007

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.

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 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

None

6.0 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. This report makes recommendations based on the Council's agreed policy.

7.0 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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Date: 23 February 2007

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SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Mid-Lin Care Ltd	Day Centre 59 Pitkerro Road/ 60 Glenconnor Drive Dundee DD4 8BT	3,719.93 (28.08.06-31.03.07)	To promote the welfare of older people who are in need. To assist in enabling older/disabled people to maintain as independent a lifestyle as possible and to enrich their quality of life.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	186.00
Sense Scotland 43 Middlesex Street Kinning Park Glasgow G41 1EE	Office 1st Floor 4 St Francis Street Dundee DD3 8HH	3,342.61 (01.10.06-31.03.07)	To support and promote the interest of people with sensory impairment.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	167.13
British Divers Marine Life Rescue Per Mr Alan Knight Lime House Regency Close Uckfield East Sussex TN21 9JS	Store 1 Castle Approach Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 2TF	615.82 (01.04.06-31.03.07)	A rescue service for marine wildlife.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	30.79

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
The Clean Close Company Ltd 148 Albert Street Dundee DD4 6QW	Warehouse Unit 5 Alexander Street Industrial Estate Alexander Street Dundee DD3 7DE	1,434.65 (25.05.06-31.03.07)	Regeneration programme for environmental cleaning.	Grant 100% Discretionary Relief	286.93
Dundee International Women's Centre Per Pervin Ahmad Manhattan Works Unit 9c Dundonald Street Dundee DD3 7PY	Office Manhattan Works Unit 9c Dundonald Street Dundee DD3 7PY	11,128.53 (01.08.06-31.06.07)	To address the needs of all women, emphasising on black and minority ethnic communities: to promote and create opportunities for women's social political and economic inclusion, advance education and promote other charitable purposes for women.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	556.43
Volunteer Centre Dundee 70 Dunholm Road Dundee DD2 4RS	Office 70 Dunholm Road Dundee DD2 4RS	292.56 (01.11.06-31.03.07)	To promote the benefit and welfare of the inhabitants of Dundee and its surrounding area by relieving poverty, advancing education, furthering health and the preservation and conservation of the environment.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	14.63

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