REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

13 JANUARY 2003

REPORT ON: BARNHILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

RENT FOR PREMISES AT CAMPFIELD SQUARE

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 24-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To recommend financial assistance for Barnhill Community Association in relation to the rent payable for the premises at Unit 15, Barnhill Clinic, Campfield Square.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 approves a retrospective grant of £1,875, equivalent to the rent payable for the Association's premises from April 1996 to November 2002.
- 2.2 instructs the Director of Neighbourhood Resources and Development to offer appropriate grant advice to the Association to cover future rental costs.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of the above recommendations can be met from within the Neighbourhood Resources and Development Department's Revenue Budget for 2002/2003.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This report has an impact on the following key Local Agenda 21 themes – 'local needs are met locally' and ' opportunities for culture, leisure and recreation are readily available to all'.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Association provides a wide range of activities, open to all sections of the community.

6.0 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 Barnhill Community Association is a voluntary organisation which provides a range of community activities from its base at Campfield Square. The Department has worked with the Association over a number of years and is currently in discussions about use of its facilities for youth outreach works.
- The lease for the Association's premises includes provision for a rent of £75 per quarter. This clause was never invoked by Tayside Regional Council. However, the rent payable to Dundee City Council from reorganisation until the end of November 2002 amounts to £1,875, and it is recommended that the situation be regularised by the approval of a retrospective grant to the Association for this amount. This grant will help to secure the financial viability of the Association. Thereafter, a Non-Recurring Revenue Grant application will be submitted which will be assessed in the normal manner.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Directors of Finance, Support Services and Economic Development have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8.0 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 the above report.

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