REPORT TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE - 16 APRIL 2007

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

REPORT NO: 240 - 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

D K Dorward

Depute Chief Executive (Finance)

Date: 23 February 2007

REPORT NO: 240-2007

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT BY DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Area of The City Of Dundee Scout Council Per Gordon D Coupar c/o Millar McIntyre & Gellatly Chapelshade House 78-84 Bell Street Dundee DD1 1HW	Hall 33 David Street Broughty Ferry DUNDEE DD5 2BU	4,954.99 (01.09.06-31.03.07)	To promote the development of young people and to be responsible citizens within the community.	80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	247.75
Islamic Relief Per Habib Malik 115 Albert Drive GLASGOW G41 2SU	Shop 221 Hilltown DUNDEE DD3 7AG	825.65 (01.08.06-31.03.07)	To relieve poverty in any part of the world. The shop premises sell 100% donated goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief. (Possibility of 20% Discretionary Relief being awarded is being investigated)	
Dundee & District Flying Club Per Mr McCafferty 35 Mains Drive DUNDEE DD4 9BN	Club Fairfield Road DUNDEE DD3 8HU	141.52 (01.04.05-31.03.06) 140.53 (01.04.06-31.03.07)	To promote pigeon racing and showing. The club already receive 50% discretionary relief but should qualify for an additional 50%	Grant 100% Discretionary Relief instead of 50%	

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
Downfield Musical Society 27-29 Guthrie Street DUNDEE DD1 5EB	Workshop Lawside Dye Works Unit 4C Milton Street DUNDEE DD3 6SD	170.50 (20.01.07-31.03.07)	To study and perform operatic and musical works.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	8.53

DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (FINANCE)

t:\Reports\2007 Reports\Relief of Rates 240-2007