REPORT TO: DEVELOPMENT QUALITY COMMITTEE - 19 JANUARY 2009

REPORT ON: BUILDING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003 SECTIONS 29 AND 30 - DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 3-2009

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise members of the action taken in dealing with dangerous buildings during the month of November 2008.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of this report.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 All costs incurred in taking direct action, including staff time and administration charges, will be recovered from individual owners.

4 BACKGROUND

4.1 Dangerous Building Notices

14 incidents relating to public safety of dangerous buildings were investigated during the month of November 2008. No formal notices under the Building (Scotland) Act 2003 were issued during this period.

4.2 Direct Action Taken

Direct action has been taken on one occasion in November and on two occasions in December to ensure public safety is maintained under Section 29(2) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003.

3 Grays Lane Remove loose slates from former Bingo Hall Paul Matthew (awaiting address details)

Secure gates chain and padlock

9 Guthrie Street Mrs Aisha Daud 41 Fairfield Road Broughty Ferry Dundee

4.3 Advisory Letters Issued

No letters were issued to owners during this period.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

The following sustainability issues are of relevance to this report:

Built Environment

- Protect the quality and diversity of the city's built heritage and enhance the city centre and local environments through ongoing regeneration.
- Adopt sustainable practices in the design, construction and maintenance of Council buildings and infrastructure, and encourage others to adopt similar practices.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Head of Finance and Assistant Chief Executive have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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