REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 25 AUGUST 2014

REPORT ON: RELIEF OF RATES - CHARITY RELIEF

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

REPORT NO: 310-2014

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Committee on the requests received for Charity Relief on Non-Domestic properties in respect of the applications outlined in appendix 1.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Council agrees to recommendation as outlined in appendix 1. This report makes recommendations based on the Council's agreed policies.

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 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. The Council also agreed to accept report 468-2006 which amended the policy with regard to charity shops.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti Poverty, Risk Management and Equality Impact Assessment. The Equality Impact Assessment carried out for report number 433-2010 in September 2010 fully addresses the proposals in this report. There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and the Head of Democratic Legal Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

Marjory Stewart Director of Corporate Services

Date:

Appendix 1

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POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

SUBJECT: RELIEF OF RATES

APPLICANT	SUBJECTS	UNIFIED BUSINESS RATE PAYABLE £	REMARKS	RECOMMENDATION	ANNUAL COST TO COUNCIL £
The Kapital Foundation Charitable Trust, T/A Purdies, Kiloran Hall, middle Balado, Kinross, KY13 0NH	Shop Unit L28, Overgate, Dundee, DD1 1UF	1,146.27 (01.04.14-17.05.14) 2,990.34 (27.11.13-31.03.14)	Helping young people achieve more in their lives. Also, contribute to the creation and development of strong and sustainable communities. Premises were used for retail selling body products and gifts.	Refuse relief as in direct competition with other premises.	
Boomerang Community Centre Neil Ellis, 110 Albert Street, Dundee, DD4 6QN	Shop 9a/11 Albert Street, Dundee, DD 6NS	2,920.20 (01.04.14-31.03.15) 1356.08 (01-10-13-31.03.15)	To provide and organise recreational facilities with the object of improving the conditions of life To prevent or relieve poverty. Premises are used to sell second hand goods.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief.	146.01
Fairfield Sports & Leisure Social Club Ltd James Sorrie, 1 Castleview Apartments, 6	Licensed Club West Side of Drumgeith Road, Dundee, DD4 0JX	5,181.00 (01.04.14-31.03.15) 4,456.85 (14.06.13-31.03.14)	Fairfield Sports & Leisure Social Club Ltd is not a registered charity. The property is run as a licensed social club run on a membership basis only.	Refuse Relief	

Dudhope Terrace, Dundee DD3 6HG					
Centric Community Projects Ltd C/O Vsm, Silbury Court, 352-390 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, MK9 2AF	Office Explorer Road, Dundee, DD2 1SW	284,862.00 (01.04.14-31.03.15) 115,157.56 (01.11.13-31.03.14)	To promote efficient and effective application of resources by charities and not for profit organisations. Premises are being used to house approx. 10 charities and not for profit organisations.	Grant 80% Mandatory Relief and 20% Discretionary Relief	14,243.10