DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 17 May 2004

REPORT ON: Reres Hill Management Plan and Community Viewpoint

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 353-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the Leisure and Arts Department to work in partnership with the Broughty Ferry Environmental Project in the preparation and implementation of a Community Strategy for Reres Hill.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Broughty Ferry Environmental Project in conjunction with the Leisure and Arts Department and the general community participate in formulating and implementing a Community Strategy for Reres Hill.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no direct financial implications to the Leisure and Arts Department through this initiative.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The proposals will ensure that local needs are met locally and that access to facilities, services, goods and people is not achieved at the expense of the environment and are accessible to all.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Opportunity for culture, leisure and recreation are readily available to all.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 The Leisure and Arts Department have been approached by representatives of Broughty Ferry Environmental Project for them to develop a community strategy which would facilitate the ongoing involvement of local people, in the management and use of Reres Hill and which would include a viewpoint for the community and identify specific initiatives to both enhance the parkland and ensure community involvement. The Department supports such an initiative and seeks Committee approval in terms of progressing the project noting the Department would be represented on any partnership.

Broughty Ferry Environmental Project, which is supported by the Communities Department, have already worked with the Leisure and Arts Department in undertaking a number of improvements on Reres Hill and other park areas of Broughty Ferry. Under the guidance of the Council, including the Department's Ranger Service, the volunteers have been involved in both clearing operations, replanting of native tree species and the construction of a viewpoint.

It is recommended, therefore, that the Leisure and Arts Department, working in partnership with the Broughty Ferry Environmental Project, bring forward a Community Strategy for Reres Hill.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) and Head of Communities have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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