REPORT TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - 8 SEPTEMBER 2003

REPORT ON: 1 – 3 Smeaton Road

Alterations to Factory Units (Partnering)

REPORT BY: Director of Economic Development and City Architectural Services Officer

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval for the alterations to the factory units.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Approval is recommended of:
 - a) alteration to the Units at 1-3 Smeaton Road at an estimated total cost of £70,000 inclusive of professional fees.
 - b) the City Architectural Services Officer being authorised to negotiate a contract within the overall allowance under a partnering arrangement with Torith Ltd, Dundee and the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) in conjunction with the Director of Economic Development to accept the offer recommended by the City Architectural Services Officer.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Depute Chief Executive (Finance) has confirmed that this expenditure can be met from the allowance for Factory Unit Improvements contained within Economic Development Capital Plan 2003/2004.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None
- 5.0 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**
- 5.1 None
- 6.0 **REPORT**
- 6.1 This report forms part of the factory unit improvements.
- The nature and extent of the work was assessed together with the recent performance and availability of local contractors and as a result it is proposed that the City Architectural Services Officer enters into a partnering arrangement with Torith Ltd, Dundee with a view to completing the work prior to Christmas 2003 and within the overall allowance of £70,000

7.0 **CONSULTATIONS**

The Chief Executive and the Depute Chief Executives (Finance) and (Support Services) have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

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8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Unless otherwise stated on the attached sheet, 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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2 September, 2003

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