

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

To: Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub Committee	Subject: Scottish Council for Voluntary Service (SCVO) - Associate Membership
From: Chief Executive	
Date: 16 April 1998	Ref: CE/012/020/008

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider a request for the Council to continue its subscription as an associate member of the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO).

2. Background

2.1 At its meeting of 20 August 1998, the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub Committee agreed to subscribe to SCVO for the period 1 April 1997 to 31 March 1998 at the cost of £250.00.

2.2 SCVO is the umbrella body for voluntary organisations in Scotland. Through its members, elected representatives, paid staff and volunteers SCVO works to promote the interests and improve the effectiveness of voluntary organisations throughout Scotland.

3. Costs and Benefits

3.1 Membership of SCVO costs £250 per year. Members receive copies of the weekly newspaper Third Force News and are eligible for discounts on publications, conferences, seminars and training events. Membership will also facilitate expert advice and assistance from SCVO in developing and implementing the Council's voluntary sector strategy.

4. Recommendation

4.1 It is recommended that the Sub Committee:

- (a) agree that the Council continues its subscription to SCVO at a current annual cost of £250; and
- (b) otherwise note the contents of the report.


Chief Executive