

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

TO: Social Work Committee	Subject: Children's Hospice Association in Scotland (CHAS)
FROM: Director of Social Work	
DATE OF COMMITTEE: 21 November 2000	
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1 PURPOSE AND CONTENT OF REPORT

To seek approval to make a grant of £10,750 to CHAS towards the cost of Rachel House Children's Hospice.

2. BACKGROUND

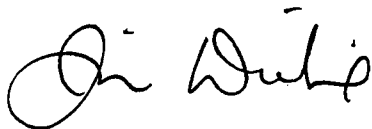
- 2.1** Rachel House opened in 1996 and provides specialist palliative support through respite care and emergency care for children with the life limiting / threatening and terminal conditions where curative treatment is not (no longer) appropriate.
- 2.2** The original understanding between CHAS and the (then) Scottish Office was that 25% of the annual costs would be shared equally between Health Boards and local authorities.
- 2.3** The current funding sought from local authorities amounts to £168,750 (12.5%) and of this North Lanarkshire's share based on population would be £10,750 (6.3%).
- 2.4** Of the 157 children who have used or are using Rachel House, 14 were from North Lanarkshire which equates to 9% of the usage.

3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1** It is proposed that North Lanarkshire contribute £10,750 towards the costs of Rachel House Children's Hospice in the current year.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Committee is asked to approve payment of the grant as detailed in 3.1 above.



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13 October 2000

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