

## **6. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

### **(a) NZ MOTOR CARAVAN ASSOCIATION INC - DUMP POINTS FOR DISPOSAL OF EFFLUENT FROM CARAVANS AND MOTOR CARAVANS**

Mr Peter Heatherington, Resource Assistant, New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc, and Ms Christine, Bradley, President of the Canterbury Branch of the New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc, were in attendance at the meeting.

Mr Heatherington, on behalf of the Association, presented a submission requesting that public dump points for the disposal of effluent from caravans be provided on the four routes into and out of the city. He advised that the proprietors of some camping grounds will not permit effluent dump points to be used unless the owners of vehicles have overnighted at that camp. He noted that facilities are currently provided by smaller centres in New Zealand.

Mr Heatherington was advised that provision has been made in the draft Annual Plan for 1999/2000 for three dump points (north, south and west). He was invited to liaise with staff in the siting of these facilities. Mr Heatherington considered that motor home/caravan owners/drivers may contribute towards the maintenance of the sites.

### **(b) ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY PHRAGMITES AUSTRALIS FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT**

Mr Geoff Keey, on behalf of the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society, presented submissions opposing an experiment by the Council with the plant *Phragmites australis* in the treatment of sewage. The society was concerned that the plant would become a noxious weed in the Christchurch environment. Mr Keey was thanked for presenting the useful and factual material and advised that the Council has no intention of using the plant for sewage treatment in Christchurch.