10. ST ALBANS PARK SKATEBOARD RAMP

The Area Parks Officer reported on progress made by the monitoring group in relation to the temporary skateboard ramp sited on St Albans Park. While the need for skateboarding facilities in the area had been clearly indicated by the high use of the facility, there were also issues of concern to neighbours of the park.

The local Community Constable, who was in attendance, confirmed that a lot of comment had been received regarding the ramp – both positive and negative; however, from a police point of view there had been no increase in crime or the incidence of graffiti as a result of its siting.

The Board **decided:**

- 1. That the Board consult with local residents and park users regarding the provision of skateboarding facilities on St Albans Park and that the Shirley members undertake extensive consultation through local forums.
- 2. That the trial period be extended until the June Board meeting when a decision be made.
- 3. That members of the monitoring group be thanked for their efforts and contribution.