10. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

(a) INAUGURAL CITY OF CHRISTCHURCH UNDER 16 INTERNATIONAL (SOCCER) TOURNAMENT

Mr David Cox, Chairman, and members of the Tournament Organising Committee were in attendance to present the report on the above event. Mr Cox also presented the tournament trophy to the Chairman together with two commemorative medals.

The Chairman congratulated Mr Cox and the Organising Committee on behalf of the Council on the successful staging of this event.

(b) **PORRITT PARK STADIUM DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

Mr Alan Patterson and Mrs Margaret Hutchings of the Canterbury Hockey Association presented a submission seeking funding assistance of \$1,560,285 towards the upgrading and development of Porritt Park.

The Committee **decided** to refer the submission to the officers for investigation and report back to the Committee.

(c) WASHINGTON WAY RESERVE SKATEBOARD FACILITY

Ms Amanda Dewar, solicitor, addressed the Committee on behalf of Mr David Sloan, owner of a number of business units in Washington Way and also Business Distributors Limited and Canon New Zealand Limited.

Ms Dewar outlined Mr Sloan's strong concerns regarding the existing facility and the proposed extension. The problems being experienced by the occupiers of neighbouring properties included "tagging" of properties in Washington Way, vandalism, drug use and drug dealing. Ms Dewar stated that her client had suffered significant losses through a reduction in the value of his property and also as a result of his inability to attract tenants to the 11 unleased units because of the presence of the skateboard facility.

Ms Dewar requested that the Council:

- 1. Employ outside consultants to prepare the resource consent application and accompanying assessment of environmental effect; and
- 2. Appoint an independent commissioner to hear and determine the application.

(d) PROPOSED URUPA FOR NGA MAATA WAKA

Rev Ngakoata Te Rangi and Mr Norman Dewe addressed the Committee in support of the proposal to establish a urupa (burial ground) at Memorial Park Cemetery.

(e) ENGLISH PARK

Mr Nigel Mathison, Chairman, and Mr Terry Blacktop, Canterbury Soccer, presented a submission in support of the proposed redevelopment of English Park.