A report to the Committee outlined a proposal for the acquisition of land currently held in the Deeds Index and grant of access to Humphreys Drive. The report was referred to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board and to the Parks and Recreation Committee which have supported the resolution of this Committee to appoint a subcommittee to meet with Mr Sloan and his legal counsel. The report to the Committees and the Community Board set out the background to the application and negotiations and discussions held with officers of the Parks, City Streets and Property Units to date. It was suggested that further discussion and negotiation with Mr Sloan on the wider issues relating to Humphreys Drive may produce an agreement which will satisfactorily meet the objectives of both parties.

It was **resolved** that a Subcommittee comprising the Chairmen of the City Services Committee, Parks and Recreation Committee and the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board be convened to discuss with Mr Sloan whether his objectives and the Council's objectives can both be achieved; and only in the event that these discussions are unsuccessful that the Council pursue the adverse possession claim.