

### 3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

#### (a) REMOVAL OF TREES

Councillor Barbara Stewart and Mr Keith Nuttall advised the Committee of their concern at the steady incremental loss of vegetation in the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board area. They suggested that this was now taking place right across the city. There was a consequential loss of not only major areas of significant vegetation, but also in the height and scale which trees provided in an urban environment.

The deputation sought the Committee's urgent action in initiating a variation to the City Plan to enable the protection for another 240 trees. They suggested the Committee also host a city-wide discussion group.

It was emphasised that the action sought was for the good of the overall city.

The Committee **decided** that in addition to the report which had been sought the preceding month, defining the terms "vegetation" and "clearance", Community Boards be requested to consider any steps they could take in preventing the removal of significant vegetation.