

7. GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS

The Environmental Policy and Planning Manager reported on a request from Groundswell for Christchurch to be declared a genetically-engineered free zone.

The Committee had held a seminar on the matter in April 2000, with presentations being made by a number of organisations.

The Committee **decided** that no further action should be taken on the request of Groundswell to declare a genetically-engineered free city, until the Council has had the opportunity to examine the report of the Royal Commission on Genetic Modification.