



9. COMMUNITY GARDENING UPDATE

A report and a presentation by staff of the Waste Management Unit provided progress on the project since the initial concept of encouraging community gardens was reported to the Board in November 1999. A Community Gardens Facilitator had been employed on a temporary basis and was working to develop a project outline for its commencement in July this year. Board support was sought for local initiatives.

It was agreed that it should be made clear to local groups that Council land made available for such a use could be on a short-term basis, if it were earmarked for other purposes.

The Board **decided** to continue to support existing groups and that Ingrid Stonhill and Sally Thompson be its representatives to champion the concept of community gardening in the Shirley/Papanui area.