## 1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

## 1.2 GUARDIANS OF THE STYX

John Knox, Chairman of the Guardians of the Styx, was in attendance to update the Board on the group's activities. Mr Knox advised that the Guardians of the Styx had a vision to establish the Styx River area as a National Park, and was currently working towards establishing partnerships with the community and local schools. Its short-term goals included water quality, river wardens, reserve development and public awareness programmes. Mr Knox explained further that the group was developing wide networks, which reached as far away as Australia, to share information on conservation and publicity. The group had also initiated a sister river relationship with a small town in the United States. Mr Knox advised the group was thinking on a wide scope and was committed towards establishing a unique environmental area at the Styx River.