



4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

- (a) Ken Clearwater, Chairman, Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse Trust, outlined the work of the Trust and reported on the following aims:
- To enhance the recovery process with peer support for men and to provide resources for clients to aid them in changing their lives.
 - To encourage a greater public awareness of child sexual abuse issues for male survivors
 - To encourage the formation of support groups and production of resources for male survivors of child abuse within New Zealand
 - To provide affordable access to help for survivors of child sexual abuse
 - To empower survivors to take control of their lives and look towards a positive future.

Mr Clearwater also signalled a conference for next year involving agencies working with sexually abused people and invited the Committee to assist with the conference.

The Committee **decided:**

- (i) To congratulate Ken Clearwater and the Trust for the work it is doing in this area.
- (ii) To offer the services of its Community Adviser in a liaison role with the above conference; who, in turn, will report back on possible assistance from the Council.