3. **DEPUTATIONS**

1. ENVIRONMENT CENTRE FOR CHRISTCHURCH AND CANTERBURY PRESENTATION OF MULTI-AGENCY WORKING GROUP REPORT

Mr Rhys Taylor and Ms Annette Hamblett, members of a joint working group of statutory and voluntary groups interested in environmental education in Christchurch, were in attendance.

In 1995 the Council first considered the possibility of establishing an Environment Centre in Christchurch.

The general objective of the centre would be to bring together the public, the Council, and interested parties to present and exchange ideas and knowledge; it would be an information and education centre.

In the draft 2000 Annual Plan the Council has provided financial support towards the establishment costs for the centre.

A full presentation was given by Rhys Taylor and Annette Hamblett; the Board was very supportive of the project.

