



4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

4.1 CLOSURE OF SANDOWN CRESCENT ALLEYWAY

Mike Heslin and Ron Herbert were in attendance to request the closure of the pedestrian alleyway adjacent to their properties in Sandown Crescent. Mr Heslin showed the Board a bag of stones collected from his roof, apparently thrown from the alleyway. He also showed photographs of graffiti on the alleyway fences. Mr Heslin noted that the costs of maintaining the fences has to be met by the four neighbouring property owners. He has erected a seven foot fence to provide privacy and would be prepared to buy the section of the alleyway adjacent to his property. Mr Heslin considered that the alleyway receives minimal use and the alternative routes involve little extra distance. He attributed the alleyway as a likely contributing factor to burglaries in the Crescent.

Mr Heslin had been informed on the day that the alleyway is the property of Housing New Zealand Ltd. He suggested that closing the alleyway would be an appropriate step within the Aranui community renewal project being initiated by Housing New Zealand Ltd and the Council.

The Board's decision is recorded under Part B, clause 5 of this report.