

4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

QUEENSPARK SKATEBOARD FACILITY

Steve Williams and Geoff Cooke were in attendance to outline the concerns of residents opposed to the installation of a skateboard facility in Queenspark Reserve. They noted that a large number of residents support the provision of youth facilities but consider the need for and nature of the facilities should be assessed further and other options investigated. Some residents are concerned that the facility will lead to an increase in noise in the Reserve, graffiti problems with the facility and the surrounding area, and other crime and disorder problems. Mr Williams and Mr Cooke expressed concern that the proposed facility is larger than was originally suggested. They also raised concerns that some of the information communicated on the proposal had been misleading. They requested the Board to recommend that the proposed skateboard facility not proceed and that a community forum be held to identify youth needs in Parklands.

The Board's decision is recorded under Part B, clause 6 of this report.