8. COMMUNITY GARDENS

A report from the Community Advocate on the meeting held on 16 August was provided, along with a process for progressing the Community Garden project with residents. The vacant section on the Courtenay Street/Westminster Street corner, held for road widening purposes was proposed to be developed as a community reserve. Wai-Ora Trust also proposed a partnership with the Community Board, schools and community groups relating to Community Gardens and Natural Steps projects.

The Board **decided**:

- 1. That a committee of non-councillor board members with power to act be established including the two champions, to progress the two projects outlined and to identify new projects.
- 2. That interest be sought from residents in the Courtenay Street/Westminster Street area to undertake planning and development of the vacant section.
- 3. That the committee hold further discussions with the Wai-Ora Trust and Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board to identify how the board can support the Schools Education Programme.

