## 2. SPECIAL AMENITY AREA DESIGN GUIDES

Copies of the brochures prepared by the Urban Design Team for the Heathfield Avenue (SAM 8B) and the Heaton Street/Circuit Street (SAM 11) areas were made available to members.

The brochures had been prepared in response to concerns raised that not enough design guidance was available to the public to ensure that SAM characteristics were recognised and upheld when new development or alterations to existing development was proposed. The pamphlets outlined existing characteristics of each SAM, ways of designing in accordance with the character of an area and the applicable City Plan rules.

Planning issues associated with the St George's Hospital redevelopment and other properties in that immediate area were referred to and members generally felt that the potential impacts on neighbourhoods should be considered in more detail and that an elected member seminar may well be a technique to address the mounting concerns that were being raised.

In **receiving** the information presented, the Board also **decided** that the Urban Design Team be asked to host a seminar for elected members on issues associated with Special Amenity Areas.

