## 1. DEPUTATION BY APPOINTMENT

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN CHAMPION**

**Kate Waghorn** from the Christchurch Community Gardens Association was in attendance to speak about community gardens in the area and the need for a Community Garden Champion.

She explained that there are 12 community gardens in Christchurch and each is a base for a variety of activities and brings a range of benefits. The gardens vary in size and there is a mix of land ownership including Council, private and Transit New Zealand land. The Association's work involves providing advice on setting up gardens and income generation and producing booklets for guidance.

Kate noted that the possibility of establishing gardens at the Rawhiti Domain and in Aranui is being investigated. She suggested that the Board and its Community Garden Champions could assist by acting as a point of referral for the Association, by identifying potential sites and by supporting individual gardens.

The Board's decision is recorded under Part B, clause 2 of this report.