3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

3.1 BRADFORD PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE AND LANDSCAPING

Representations on the proposed plan and related matters were made by:

- Rachel Phillpotts, 22 Cheviot Street
- Gloria Hutchinson, 90 Roker Street
- Robert Bailey on behalf of Fleur Ford, 6/17 Devon Street

Points raised and requested in the presentations included selecting the right plantings for the site, attention to the ongoing maintenance of plantings generally and enhancing the visibility and public awareness of Bradford Park.

Whilst acknowledging that the redevelopment of the playground would be an asset to the area, there remained concerns that some of the equipment features now proposed would not be catering for the 8-15 year olds. In support of this viewpoint, a 145 signatory submission was tabled seeking the Council's support to revise the proposed plans to provide equipment and space to include a basketball facility for this age group.

Concerns were also expressed to the Board regarding ongoing issues over the visual state of some private land immediately adjoining the eastern boundary of Bradford Park for which abatement action had been initiated by the Council.

The Chairperson thanked the presenters for their submissions.

Clause 5 of this report records the Board's decisions on this matter.

3.2 ATHELSTAN STREET - NEW BUS STOP LOCATION

Representations expressing concern at the proposed new bus stop location in Athelstan Street were made by the Barrington Medical Centre, 14-18 Athelstan Street represented by Mr Dean Crystal, Planning Consultant and Dr Rosemary Ford and from Beaton Real Estate Limited, 10 Athelstan Street represented by Mr Wayne Beaton.

Specific mention was made about traffic management and safety issues and the impacts that the proposed changes might have on their business operations.

The Chairperson thanked the submitters for their presentations.

Clause 6 of this report records the Board's decisions on this matter.

