2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

2.1 DAPHNE TEMPLE - SUBMISSION ON LTCCP

Ms Temple attended the meeting to speak regarding her submission to the LTCCP. She outlined the matters she had raised in her submission to Council.

2.2 GEOFF MAXWELL – EDUCATION LAND, WALNUT PLACE

Mr Maxwell reminded the Board that he had attended a Board meeting last year and made an offer on behalf of himself and some of his neighbours, to pay the purchase price for 1 Walnut Place, provided the Council retained the land as a reserve. (The property at 1 Walnut Place was surplus Ministry of Education Board land for which Council had a right to register an interest for purchase.) The Community Board had asked staff to register an interest in purchasing the land for parking purposes so that it could be considered once the Traffic and Parking Strategy had been finalised.

Mr Maxwell reported that he had now been informed that Council had withdrawn its expression of interest for purchasing the land and the property had since been sold to Ngai Tahu which had on-sold to a developer.

Mr Maxwell posed several questions to the Board which he felt warranted an answer. He questioned who in Council had made the decision not to proceed with purchase negotiations, at the time were they aware of the neighbours offer, if so why the offer was ignored, and if they were not aware of the offer, why not?

The Board **agreed** that staff should be asked to report on the status of Council's interest in purchasing the Ministry of Education properties in Walnut Place, and to report on what response had been made to Mr Maxwell's offer of purchase.