



## 2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

John Wormald, Windsor Golf Club Junior Committee, addressed the Committee in support of his request for the Windsor Golf Club to develop a junior golf facility with the Bottle Lake Forest Park. Toni Batey, Junior Development Officer for Golf in Canterbury, and Tom Whitaker, Secretary, Canterbury Golf, spoke in support of the proposal. Mr Wormald stressed the need for a junior golf facility in the area. They currently have 160 children enrolled. The proposed area for the golf facility is 5.2 hectares. The proposal is to develop smaller length holes suited to their strength, stamina and retaining their enthusiasm.

John Brownie, John Wilkinson, Stuart Payne and Robert Whitler addressed the Committee and spoke against the proposal to develop a junior golf facility within the Bottle Lake Forest Park.

Opponents of the proposal stressed the uniqueness of the Bottle Lake Forest Park and the importance of the area in protecting the horticultural soils of Marshlands. It is a unique recreation area currently used for a number of activities including orienteering and mountain bikes and horse trails while also having forest production areas protection areas for flora and fauna.

Allowing 5 hectares to be used for a junior golf facility would set a precedent for other users to seek part of the area.

This matter is the subject of a separate report contained in clause 1 of the Committee's report.