

## 7.5 Representatives on Other Bodies

### **The Queen Victoria Institute Fund**

The Queen Victoria charity is changing, it no longer provides a foot care service and is in the throws of selling its property in Reading. It is also looking at the trustees as, apparently, the charity commission no longer encourages trustees nominated from local Authorities. They would therefore like to remove the nomination rights of Reading BC and Earley Town Council. Both of us are prepared to remain on the charity board, at least until we decide the best direction for the charity to take, and this has been welcomed.

The charity is still not sure how it will change but it looks as if, instead of providing a podiatry service, which is what it used to do but no longer does, it will become a grant making organisation for medical need (this might be tightened) for other charities to use.

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