12. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

(a) Ring Road Network

Ms Yvonne Palmer, Chairperson, Shirley/Papanui Community Board and Mr Mike Wall, Chairperson, Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board attended to address the Committee about the concerns held by their respective Boards on the perceived inadequacies of the western leg of the ring road system.

The presentation identified the current issues on the ring road route of concern to the Boards and a copy of their submission was circulated to members for their information.

At the conclusion of the presentation the opportunity was taken to allow members of the Committee to ask questions and it was noted that the Metropolitan Transport Statement would address corridor issues and it is expected this will be reported on in the second quarter of 2004.

The Committee **decided** that a report be provided giving information on the process and time scales for consideration of the issues raised by the Community Boards, including special school zones.

(b) Bexley Residents Association - Bexley Road

Ms Kate Grumbell and Mr Warren Wright attended on behalf of the Bexley Residents Association and spoke about the concerns their Association held regarding Bexley Road, from the end of the new expressway to the round-about at Bridge Street in relation to its use by cyclists.

The concerns of the Residents Association related to the lack of any provision for cyclists within this stretch of road and the safety issues involved with this. The Association noted that insufficient road shoulder existed to allow for cyclists and in addition recent work on the light standards had caused more disturbance to the road verge.

The Committee **decided**:

- 1. To ask the City Streets Manager to consider repair/reforming of the road shoulder as a maintenance issue and also to investigate the provision of a future off-road cycleway in conjunction with the work being undertaken by the Parks Unit in this locality.
- 2. That Transit New Zealand be written to informing them of the Committee's concerns regarding this section of the road with reference to the fact that control of the road is due to pass to Transit New Zealand from 2004.