12. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

- 12.1 For members' information attached are schedules of funds distributed in 2001/02 for the Discretionary Funds (since the allocation meeting on 13 February 2001), the Community Response Assistance Fund and the Community Development Initiatives Fund.
- 12.2 For members' information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached.

12.3 NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK 2002

Attached are the following documents provided by the Neighbourhood Week Joint Board Committee:

- Report of meeting on Friday 8 March 2002.
- Draft terms of reference.
- Information sheet on Neighbourhood Week being run nationwide and a special meeting of the Committee on Thursday 11 April 2002.

Neighbourhood Week 2002 will be held from 26 October to 1 November 2002.

Recommendation: That the Board convene a Working Party to plan for Neighbourhood Week 2001.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

12.4 ANZAC DAY PARADE

In preparation for the ANZAC Day Parade to be held on Thursday 25 April 2002, a discussion took place at the site of the New Brighton Cenotaph between Board Chairperson Don Rowlands, members of the New Brighton Returned Services Association and Community Technical Adviser Kaye Edens to ascertain whether any extra requirements were needed to ensure the smooth operation of the Parade. As a result of that discussion it was decided to temporarily remove two steel bollards in the paved area leading to the amphitheatre where the parade assembles. Although there is ample room to march past the bollards, two or three marchers in last year's Parade did not notice the bollards and accidentally collided with them.

There was also discussion about the provision of seating for those people who were unable to march with the parade. It was decided that, if required, chairs from the Ascot Community Centre would be brought to the amphitheatre by staff from Coastcare and removed after the assembly has dispersed.

In addition, the lettering on the granite plaque at the base of the Cenotaph will be highlighted in white by a professional contractor. The Returned Services Association had requested this in the past but it has never been carried out. The Cenotaph is deteriorating badly and unable to be renovated due to the soft sandstone construction. It will have to be replaced in the future but the granite plaque could be removed and reused in a new monument. Repairs of the concrete steps are also being undertaken.

A general cleanup is done at all War Memorial sites by staff from the Parks and Waterways Unit prior to ANZAC Day to ensure that the areas are tidy.

