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Update your prepaid electricity meters

Prepaid electricity metering software will expire in 2024 for all prepaid meters in South Africa. Software must be updated or customers won't be able to recharge their meters with new tokens.

To assist residents, the City is following an area-by-area approach. Customers in a specific area will receive two update codes with their purchase when their time comes. If the City has not reached an area, and customers have not received the update codes with their electricity purchase, they are not yet due for the update.

City teams are currently standing by to help residents in Atlantis, Mamre and Pella. In January 2022, Blouberg, Melkbosstrand, Table View, Parklands and Milnerton will be next. All Covid-19 health and safety protocols will be followed by the teams. They will carry identification and work order numbers. To verify this, phone the call centre on 0860 103 089. To view the schedule, visit https://www.capetown.gov.za/general/prepaid-electricity-meter-update-project.



Travel treasure: The City has completed the upgrade of the Dunoon public transport interchange (PTI). Construction of the multi-storey building, a covered waiting area for commuters and public open spaces started in 2019. There are ablution facilities and formal trading kiosks, as well as outside informal trading spaces to stimulate economic development.

City ready for festive season

Law Enforcement, lifeguards, firefighters and Solid Waste prepared for safe holidays.

ach year, the City compiles a comprehensive festive season readiness plan to account for the increase in visitors to Cape Town and increased leisure activities during this period. Since 2020, the plan also seeks to manage the additional risks brought about by the continued threat of Covid-19.

This year's plan focuses on the following:

- An integrated enforcement plan, involving more than 2 000 Law Enforcement, Metro Police and Traffic Service staff
- The roll-out of Operation Exodus to ensure the safety of long-distance travellers over the peak festive season period
- The deployment of seasonal and learner firefighters, as well as aerial support, to help combat the increase



Don't ignore Covid-19.

Keep your distance. Wear a mask.
Wash your hands frequently.
Avoid touching your face.
Cough or sneeze with care,
and safely dispose of the tissue.

- in vegetation fires during the warmer summer months
- Coordination of the City's overall plans by the Disaster Risk Management Centre
- Deployment of lifeguards to beaches and swimming pools, along with the Identikidz project at identified beaches to promote child safety
- Additional temporary cleaning staff to assist the Solid Waste Department
- Increased oversight visits by environmental health practitioners to ensure Covid-19 compliance, and to mitigate the risk of diseases prevalent during the summer months

City staff will also ensure ongoing compliance with Covid-19 and disaster management regulations, being on alert for a possible fourth wave of infections in the months ahead.

'Smart' upgrade at Voëlvlei

The City's Voëlvlei high-lift water pump station is situated 112 km outside of Cape Town, adjacent to the Voëlvlei water treatment plant. The pump station takes treated water from the Voëlvlei treatment plant and pumps it via an 84 km pipeline to 90% of consumers in north western areas, including Blouberg, Dunoon, Milnerton, Goodwood and Parow.

Apart from general refurbishments, other advancements include a new supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system, which monitors and adjusts the pumping system to ensure energy-efficient operation, and new temperature and vibration detection equipment to monitor the condition of the pump sets. The components feed into the SCADA system and the data are logged for review by the maintenance staff. The data then provide a predictive glance into the condition of the equipment, allowing for planned maintenance.

Variable speed drives will also be installed to manage pressure and flow in the pipelines to reduce breakage and leaks. It enables a 'soft start' feature to prolong the lifespan of equipment by eliminating the starting stresses and forces normally exerted on pump sets during startup. It also enables efficient running of the motor by reducing energy loss during the electrical energy to hydraulic energy conversion.



Pumped up: The R113 million upgrade at Voëlvlei high-lift water pump station started in August and is scheduled to be completed in March 2022.

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Die sagteware van alle koopkragmeters verstryk in 2024. Sagteware moet bygewerk word, anders sal kliënte nie nuwe kragaankope kan laai nie. Die Stad volg 'n gebiedsgegronde benadering om kliënte by te staan.

Die Stad het die opknapping van die openbarevervoerwisselaar in Dunoon voltooi. Werk aan die multiverdiepinggebou, oordekte wagarea en openbare oop ruimtes het in 2019 begin. Daar is ook ablusiegeriewe, formele kioske en informele handelsruimtes.

Danksy die Stad se omvattende gereedheidsplan

vir die feesseisoen is wetstoepassers, lewensredders, brandbestryders en vasteafvalpersoneel slaggereed vir die groot dae. Die plan bestuur ook bykomende risiko's wat met die voortslepende Covid-19-pandemie saamhang.

Die opknapping van die Voëlvlei-waterhefpomp het in Augustus begin, en sal teen Maart 2022 klaar wees. Die projek kos R113 miljoen. Behandelde water van die Voëlvlei-suiweringsaanleg word deur 'n pypleiding van 84 km na 90% van die Stad se kliënte in die noordweste van die metro gepomp.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

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New fire equipment to help improve response times

The Fire and Rescue Service recently acquired 19 new vehicles that will improve the City's response to veld, industrial and residential fires. The acquisition process started a year ago, and the investment amounts to over R81 million.

The new vehicles have off-road capabilities, allowing access to difficult terrain. In addition to water storage capacity, some vehicles also have foam tanks for extinguishing fires where using foam is more appropriate than water.

New technology allows the operator to control the foam and water cannons either from inside the vehicle, even while in transit, or from a remote console. Among the new fleet are two technical rescue vehicles fitted with a wide range of rescue devices and equipment to further enhance the capabilities of current rescue teams.

Eskom's loadshedding

Eskom's blackouts often cause nuisance tripping, which results in increased service requests. Wait at least 30 minutes before logging a service request alerting the City that the power in your area has not come back on after load-shedding. Sometimes, the issue is already being resolved. City teams will do their best to attend to any outages as soon as possible.

When you log a request, only use one of the channels below. Please don't log the same request multiple times:

- SMS: 31220 (standard charges apply)
- Email: power@capetown.gov.za
- Online: www.capetown.gov.za/ servicerequests

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A message from Executive Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis

estive greetings to every resident of Cape Town. To be elected your Mayor is the greatest honour of my life, and I would like to thank you for placing your faith in me and my colleagues in Council to govern the City of Cape Town for another five years.

I have already started working with City officials to address the issues our residents face – my first priority is ending load-shedding, and I can confirm that we have started this process.

During my first month in office, I have made it my mission to travel across the city to personally inspect service delivery issues and find solutions to them.

My aim is to make Cape Town a city that inspires hope and pride,

and the City officials and I need your help to achieve this. Cape Town does not only consist of the politicians and officials in government; we are all residents of this beautiful city, and all of us have a role to play in taking Cape Town to new heights.

It has been a difficult year for us all, but I am sure that 2022 will be a great year for our city.



Leading the way: At the first meeting of the new Council of the City of Cape Town held on 18 November, Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis was inaugurated as the youngest ever Executive Mayor of Cape Town. Mayor Hill-Lewis believes that providing quality basic services is critical to empowering each resident to live a life of dignity. The members of the Mayoral Committee are, front row, from left: Chief Whip Desiree Visagie, Speaker Felicity Purchase, Executive Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis, Executive Deputy Mayor Eddie Andrews, Theresa Uys (Corporate Services) and Beverley van Reenen (Energy). Back row, from left: James Vos (Economic Growth), Dr Zahid Badroodien (Water and Waste), Patricia van der Ross (Community Services and Health), Grant Twigg (Urban Management), Roberto Quintas (Urban Mobility – Roads and Transport), Siseko Mbandezi (Finance), Malusi Booi (Human Settlements) and JP Smith (Safety and Security).

City of Cape Town named most trusted in SA

The City of Cape Town was once again named the most trusted metro in South Africa in the 2021 Consulta Citizen Satisfaction Index (SA-csi) – thanks to its residents.

Cape Town is the only metro to significantly lead in the citizen satisfaction index, with 61,9 out of 100 points, while the consolidated overall index points across South African metros are 51,1 out of 100. The index plots levels of satisfaction and trust.

The report states aspects of basic service delivery as the driver of satisfaction levels. The City also leads in the 'perceived quality' of services delivered, performing above par on some of the most important services,

such as the provision of clean drinking water, refuse removal, access to electricity, roads and street lighting.

The City is pleased to top the list once again. However, there is lots to do to find ways to enhance services even further, and to collaborate with communities to improve service delivery.



How do you commute?

The City is conducting a citywide travel survey to gather information about residents' commuting patterns. The data will assist with updating transport network plans and managing travel demand across transport modes.

The City contracted Innovative Transport Solutions (ITS) to conduct the survey from November 2021 until February 2022. Fieldworkers will gather information through face-to-face interviews, an online survey and telephonic interviews. In-person interviews will occur at locations with large visitor numbers.

The more the City knows, the better it can plan.

Participants do not need to provide personal information, and data collected will not be shared with third parties. (ITS is required to comply with the Protection of Personal Information Act.) Fieldworkers will be identifiable by ITS nametags with staff numbers and photos. To confirm their identity, phone the Transport Information Centre on 0800 656 463.

For the online survey, visit https://ee.kobotoolbox.org/single/3h1WXThu.

Excellent dam storage levels in the Western Cape

Due to good rains this winter, and thanks to the water-saving efforts of the majority of residents, the levels of the dams that supply Cape Town are the highest they have been in five years.

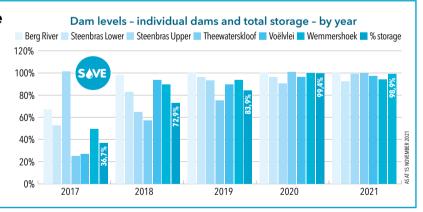
However, the Western Cape remains a water-scarce region vulnerable to drought. Protect our water resources by following water-wise guidelines.

Residents and businesses are reminded that the permanent regulations

contained in the City's Water By-law still apply across Cape Town, regardless of the restriction level.

Municipal water may be used in gardens only before 09:00 or after 18:00, but never to hose down paved areas.

 The regulations can be accessed at www.capetown.gov.za/thinkwater or www.capetown.gov.za/waterregulations.



KORTLIKS

Die brand-en-reddingsdiens het onlangs 19 nuwe voertuie bekom wat die Stad se reaksie op veld-, nywerheids- en residensiële brande aansienlik sal verbeter. Die proses om die voertuie aan te skaf het 'n jaar gelede met 'n belegging van meer as R81 miljoen begin.

Die Stad se nuwe burgemeester, Geordin Hill-Lewis, sit reeds skouer aan die wiel saam met amptenare, en deurkruis die stad persoonlik om diensleweringskwessies te identifiseer en na oplossings te soek. Sy eerste prioriteit is om beurtkrag te beëindig. Hy is op 18 November 2021 by die eerste vergadering van die nuwe raad as die Stad Kaapstad se jongste uitvoerende burgemeester tot nog toe ingehuldig.

Die Stad onderneem tans 'n omvattende reisopname om inligting oor inwoners se pendelpatrone in te win. Die data sal gebruik word om vervoernetwerkplanne by te werk en reisvraag te bestuur.

In die Consulta-indeks van burgerlike tevredenheid is die Stad Kaapstad weer as die betroubaarste metro in die land aangewys – danksy die stad se inwoners.

Eskom se kragonderbrekings kan dele van die netwerk laat uitklink, wat beteken krag gaan nie dadelik weer aan nadat beurtkrag verby is nie. Wag minstens 30 minute voordat jy 'n diensversoek by die Stad registreer.

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Plans to extend Saxdowns Road

In a meeting with community leadership from Highbury, Kuils River, the City shared the proposed design and phasing of the Saxdowns Road extension between Langverwacht Road and Belhar Main Road. The City has committed to further engaging with the broader community and will communicate details of this engagement once details are confirmed.

The planned road extensions will have two phases. Phase 1a will include the Saxdowns Road extension from Langverwacht to Van Riebeeck roads as a single carriageway during 2023/24 at an estimated cost of R79 million. Phase 1b will include dualling from Van Riebeeck Road to Belhar Main Road and is predicted to be implemented by 2032, subject to future budget availability. Phase 2 will eventually see the dualling from Langverwacht Road to Van Riebeeck Road. The timing of this phase has not yet been confirmed.

After an extensive public participation process in 2018, the Transport Directorate has completed the preliminary design report and is currently proceeding with a single carriageway to complete the missing link in Saxdowns Road, and to provide decent road access and non-motorised transport infrastructure in support of the new provincial Jagtershof School and the broader area in general.

Further developments and timelines of the project will be communicated as details are confirmed.

More Greenville beneficiaries move in

The Greenville project in Durbanville is a partnership between the City, Province and developer Garden Cities. Phases 1 and 2 were completed in August 2020, at a combined cost of R247 million.

In October this year, 24 beneficiaries received the keys to their homes as part of the R74 million third phase that will see 395 more homes being built, bringing the total of completed houses to 1 824.



Floating solar pilot project paving the way for a more sustainable city

Innovative tech will diversify Cape Town's energy mix and lead climate action.

he City has become the first municipality to install a floating solar photovoltaic (PV) system with partners Floating Solar (Pty) Ltd, the Water Research Commission and the University of Cape Town. The floating solar PV pilot, which has been established at the City's Kraaifontein wastewater treatment works, includes a floating solar PV array, as well as a ground-mounted PV system to determine evaporation savings and relative energy generation performance of floating solar PV technology. This is an innovative research study where data are being collected over a 12-month period to potentially inform the design of larger utility-scale floating solar PV projects over the next few years through competitive bid processes.

Future-fit city

The City has a target to achieve 300 MW of renewable energy generation by 2030, with 50 MW of this comprising City-owned solar PV plants. The City has been fighting to move away from the sole reliance on Eskom and to diversify the energy mix for cleaner, more affordable and secure power for all. In addition, given that vacant land in the city is very expensive and rooftop solar PV systems are relatively



small, Cape Town aims to explore floating solar PV systems for larger-scale solar PV installations as part of its pioneering work to diversify the energy mix, to lead by example and to ensure climate action leadership.

The pilot project not only looks at the amount of energy that can be generated by

floating panels, but also investigates how much can be generated compared with the ground-mounted panels. The research aims to establish what impact the floats have on water evaporation. Generating clean power and reducing evaporation rates of water bodies could be a double-win for sustainability.

Pioneer Valley added to the MyCiTi network

The City added a new MyCiTi bus stop in Pioneer Valley, in the new Rivergate precinct adjacent to Parklands. The MyCiTi bus service recently introduced the Hawking bus stop to the 214 feeder route, which operates between Dunoon and the Blouberg beachfront area.

Residents can catch the bus from the new Hawking stop and transfer at Table View station to routes serving other destinations along the MyCiTi network, from Atlantis in the north to the CBD, all the way to Hout Bay in the south.

This new route will initially run as a limited service to test demand in Pioneer Valley.

New passengers need a MyConnect card loaded with value to pay for fares, which will be calculated based on the distance travelled. A new card will cost the commuter R35. Residents should note that the Caltex Fresh Stop in Parklands is currently the nearest retailer where cards can be bought.

The trip planner can be found on www.myciti.org.za or the free official MyCiTi app. Alternatively, call the Transport Information Centre on 0800 656 463 for help, 24/7 free of charge.



Plans to restore Table View beachfront in motion

Plans to restore the Table View beachfront have been approved with the additional benefit of a new coastal walkway. Residents and visitors in Blouberg and the surrounding areas can now look forward to a new walkway and various infrastructure upgrades along this very popular area. Construction works are planned to commence towards the end of 2022 and will be completed at the beginning of 2024.

This stretch of Cape Town's coastline is iconic because visitors have a great view of Table Mountain in the distance. It is a key scenic route for tourists, and locals run, walk and enjoy outdoor activities along the beachfront. The new walkway will be about 4 m wide and will stretch along the beachfront between White Waters Road and Marine Circle from where it will integrate with the existing walkway to Dolphin Beach. Broken pavement edges and damaged boardwalks and railings will be repaired, and new ablution facilities constructed.



On-street parking

Since November, on-street parking in central Cape Town, Sea Point, Claremont, Newlands and Bellville is being managed in terms of a new contract that was awarded to a specialist contractor by way of a request for quotes.

Covid-19 and the associated lockdown have had a significant impact on parking management operations in the city's business districts. Given the economic climate, there was little interest from the private sector when requests for quotations were advertised in March 2021 and again in May 2021. The lack of interest caused some delays.

R3,9 m boost to tackle illegal dumping



The City is allocating R3,9 million of its Rapid Response Programme budget to boost existing efforts to clear illegal dumping hotspots in Dunoon, Wolwerivier and Witzands. In addition, 26 EPWP workers and three supervisors will be employed as part of this service, creating employment opportunities.

This initiative forms part of the recently launched Rapid Response Programme to support existing efforts to tackle illegal dumping hotspots across Cape Town. Illegal dumping has been identified as one of the City's biggest chronic challenges, and an additional R200 million has been allocated to tackle the issue this year, bringing the total budget to over R300 million.

Any person found to be dumping illegally is issued with a fine of up to R5 000, and the dumper may have his or her vehicle impounded. Impounded vehicles are subject to a release fee of R8 426 for the first impoundment, and this escalates thereafter.

Report illegal dumping:

Where the offender is known:

- Call (office hours): 021 444 6231 or 021 444 6233
- Email:

solidwaste.bylaw@capetown.gov.za Where the offender is not known:

- Call: 0860 103 089
- Email: wastewise@capetown.gov.za

KORTLIKS

In 'n vergadering met gemeenskapsleiers van Highbury, Kuilsrivier, het die Stad die voorgestelde ontwerp en werkfases vir die uitbreiding van Saxdownsweg tussen Langverwachtweg en Belhar-hoofweg bekend gemaak.

Die Stad is die eerste munisipaliteit wat 'n drywende fotovoltaïese sonkragstelsel geïnstalleer het. Die stelsel by die Kraaifontein-afvalwatersuiweringsaanleg sal ook verdampingstempo's en relatiewe energieopwekkingsprestasie meet.

Planne om die Table View-waterkant te verbeter is goedgekeur. Inwoners en besoekers in Bloubergstrand en omgewing kan uitsien na 'n nuwe wandelroete langs die kus, en verskeie infrastruktuuropknappings.

Altesaam 24 begunstigdes van die Greenvillebehuisingsprojek in Durbanville het in Oktober

vanjaar die sleutels vir hulle huise ontvang as deel van die derde projekfase van R74 miljoen. 'n Verdere 395 huise sal in dié fase gebou word.

Die Stad sal R3,9 miljoen daaraan bestee om die opruiming van gebiede in Dunoon, Wolwerivier en Witzands waar onwettige vullisstorting 'n probleem is, 'n hupstoot te gee.

'n Nuwe MyCiTi-bushalte is in Pioneer Valley, in die nuwe Rivergate-gebied langs Parklands, opgerig.

'n Nuwe kontrak vir straatparkering is in November aan 'n spesialiskontrakteur toegestaan om parkeerplekke in die Kaapse middestad, Seepunt, Claremont, Nuweland en Bellville te bestuur.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Kwintlanganiso kunye neenkokheli zoluntu zaseHighbury, eKuils River, iSixeko sathetha nabo malunga nesiphakamiso soyilo olucetywayonokwenziwa nokwandiswa ngokwesigaba kweSaxdowns Road phakathi kweLangverwaght Road neBelhar Main Road.

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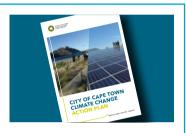




Remembering those lost to Covid-19

To commemorate those lost to Covid-19, and to mark Arbor Month (September), the Recreation and Parks Department helped plant a memorial garden in Maynardville Park. Visitors will spot the trees with their green bows, placed at various parks and cemeteries, which form a circle from an aerial view.

Other participating sites include Maitland cemetery, Jack Muller park, Mandela park, Westridge Gardens and Princess Vlei park.



Climate Change Action Plan launched

The City recently launched its Climate Change Action Plan, which recognises the need for urgent climate action to protect and promote human and ecosystem health and well-being. The plan sets out ten strategic focus areas, each of which describes the actions needed.

Achieving the goals requires collaboration from all Capetonians. Visit www.capetown.gov.za/ClimateChange for the full report, and to find out how you can help.

Blaauwberg Nature Reserve a provincial heritage site

Strong cultural legacy, rich biodiversity, natural beauty and historical sites celebrated.

n August 2021, Heritage Western Cape (HWC) unveiled the Blaauwberg Nature Reserve as a provincial heritage site. This came after the authority approved a report from the City's Environmental Management Department for the reserve to be nominated as a heritage site. The declaration was also promulgated in the Provincial Gazette.

The reserve contains approximately 1 445 ha of rich biodiversity, and protects three threatened vegetation types, including the endangered Cape Flats Dune Strandveld, on the coastal plain; critically endangered Swartland Shale Renosterveld, on the hill; and critically endangered Cape Flats Sand Fynbos, inland from the hill.

The Blaauwberg Hill, which forms part of the nature reserve, offers one of the few viewpoints in the world from which two World Heritage Sites - Table Mountain and Robben Island - can be seen.

The Blaauwberg Nature Reserve presents a rich cultural and historical heritage of various periods in history. Shell middens dating back approximately 15 000 years have been observed, indicating early human occupation.

The reserve conserves the site of the Battle of Blaauwberg in 1806, where the British took second occupation of the Cape and retained ownership until South Africa's independence. Blaauwberg Hill features



More than natural beauty: The Blaauwberg Nature Reserve is situated off Melkbosstrand Road and the R27 in Blaauwberg, and represents one of the most intact and diverse lowland vegetation habitats in Cape Town, marking the beginning of the West Coast flora region.

several buildings constructed during World War II, one of which includes the first radar station built in South Africa.

The battle of Blaauwberg was a turning point in the history of the Cape Colony and South Africa in general. The Blaauwberg Nature Reserve, over and above being a significant natural heritage site, contains the battleground and field hospital associated with the Battle of Blaauwberg that took place in 1806. The National Monuments Council declared the battle site a conservation area in 1996 under the National Monuments Act.

The site includes the landscape

where the events around the Battle of Blaauwberg took place, including the iconic Blaauwberg Hill, the battlefield and the site of the field hospital. The reserve contains Middle Stone Age and Late Stone Age occurrences, which contribute to the understanding of the occupation of the South-Western Cape by the indigenous groups over time.

The Muslim community of Cape Town, many of whom were slaves, were granted their own burial ground (Tana Baru) in recognition of their contribution in the defence of the Cape against the British during the Battle of Blaauwberg.

Comment on informal trading plan for Kraaifontein

The City is inviting the public to comment on the proposed draft revised informal trading plan for Kraaifontein on or before 16 December 2021.

This public participation process gives the community an opportunity to comment on the proposals for the informal trading plan in the area. Proposed changes will provide bigger trading bays and enhance the ability of traders to adhere to the Covid-19 safety regulations.

The City recognises the significance of informal traders and their contribution to the economy and poverty reduction. The purpose of the trading plan is to provide dedicated informal trading opportunities and security of tenure for informal traders.

To view and comment on the draft plan, visit https://bit.ly/3Dq9tlq, or the offices of Subcouncil 2 (security reception desk), Kraaifontein municipal offices, 87 Brighton Road, Kraaifontein from 08:00 – 15:00 on weekdays. Submit enquiries to valencia.january@capetown.gov.za.

New programme tackles illegal dumping while creating jobs

The City's Rapid Response Programme aims to strengthen efforts to tackle chronic and widespread illegal dumping in Cape Town, while creating over 2 000 short-term jobs to boot.

This means that hotspots can be cleared faster.

Council supported the initiative by approving that the bulk of a national funding allocation for the public employment programme (R100 million) be channeled towards tackling illegal dumping and creating jobs.

Report illegal dumping by calling 0860 103 089. If you have the culprit's vehicle registration number or can identify them, phone 021 444 6231/6224/6223, or email solidwaste.bylaw@capetown.gov.za.

Witzands Aquifer Nature Reserve (of the year!)



The City's Biodiversity Management Branch hosted its annual recognition awards ceremony. Staff members from the various City-managed reserves were recognised for their great efforts in managing these important natural assets of Cape Town.

The Witzands Aquifer Nature Reserve was named 2021 Reserve of the Year. This reserve is going from strength to strength, all thanks to the dedicated staff. The dunes are looking exquisite, especially after lockdown and the demarcating of dune slack wetland areas.

The Klein Dassenberg rehabilitation project, which is also managed by this team, is showing some good results.

KORTLIKS

Erfenis Wes-Kaap het in Augustus 2021 die Blaauwberg-natuurreservaat tot 'n provinsiale erfenisterrein verklaar.

Ter ere van dié wat aan Covid-19 gesterf het, en om Boomplantmaand (September) te vier, het die departement ontspanning en parke 'n gedenktuin in Maynardville Park help aanlê.

Die Stad nooi die publiek om teen 16 Desember 2021 kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde hersiene informelehandelsplan

Die munisipaliteit se nuwe aksieplan vir klimaatsverandering erken die behoefte aan dringende klimaatsaksie om menslike en ekosisteemgesondheid en -welstand te beskerm en te verbeter.

Die Stad se tak vir biodiversiteitsbestuur het sy jaarlikse erkenningsgeleentheid gehou. Die Witzands-natuurreservaat is as reservaat van die jaar aangewys.

Die Stad sal R100 miljoen bestee aan 'n snelreaksieprogram om wydverspreide onwettige vullisstorting in Kaapstad die stryd aan te sê, en sal terselfdertyd oor die 2 000 korttermynwerksgeleenthede skep.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

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