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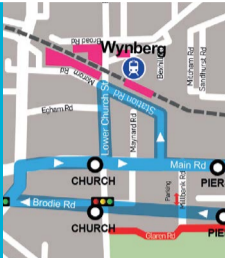
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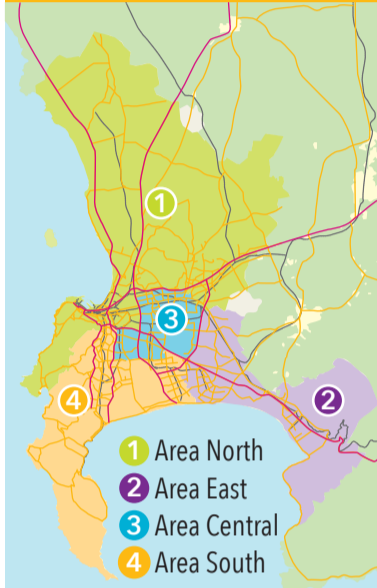


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Mitchells Plain electrical repairs prioritised



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Hitting refresh at Lower Silvermine wetlands

Phase 1 of a R7 million dredging of Lower Silvermine wetlands is under way as part of ongoing river maintenance to improve inland water quality and reduce the risk of flooding. Dredging is the mechanical removal of the top layer of accumulated deposits using excavators, leaving cleaner sand underneath. Expected to be completed by the end of June, the dredging will remove excess silt and sludge from sewage spills, litter, invasive plants, wildfire erosion and storm-water runoff and create open water for the endangered western leopard toad as well as bird and fish species.



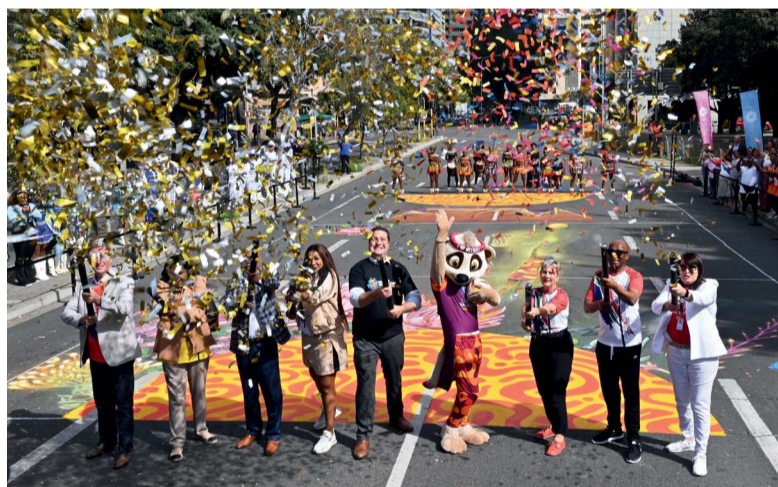
Now there's even more to C(TICC): Checking on progress with the latest additions to the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) is Mayoral Committee member for Economic Growth Ald James Vos and the construction team. A new loading yard and additional visitors' parking are being built. See page 3.

The Cup is coming to Cape Town! First Netball World Cup on African soil in July

Cape Town is gearing up to host Africa's first-ever Netball World Cup. The Cape Town International Convention Centre will be home to the quadrennial tournament for two weeks in July.

To celebrate 100 days to the event, the City commissioned a life-size street artwork that pays homage to Cape Town's netball heritage and the Mother City. It is situated on Lower Long Street between Walter Sisulu Avenue and Wharf Street. This adds to a list of netball murals commissioned across town since last July to raise awareness of the upcoming international tournament.

The large artwork will remain on the road surface for the next few months and will form part of Cape Town's official



Netball World Cup fan park on Cullinan Square. Here, fans will be able to watch televised matches, enjoy live entertainment, play games and enjoy family fun

for the duration of the tournament.

The City is also finalising plans for four other viewing areas in Langa, Khayelitsha, Bellville South and Mitchells Plain.

Clamping down on illegal connections

Supported by the South African Police Service and its own law enforcement officers, the City is intensifying its efforts to disconnect illegal electricity connections and combat vandalism to power infrastructure.

Criminals have seemingly taken advantage of the recent spate of constant load-shedding to target City infrastructure. Hotspots appear to be Philippi and Mitchells Plain. Vandalism often causes prolonged electricity outages.

Report may earn you a reward

The City is offering a R5 000 reward to anyone who provides information that leads to an arrest or either the confiscation or handing in of stolen or illegal goods. This reward also applies to information leading to the arrest of people vandalising, damaging or stealing electricity infrastructure or installing illegal connections. Report incidents via SMS to 31220 or email power@capetown.gov.za. You can also report crime and by-law offences anonymously, 24 hours a day, on 0800 1100 77.



Cutting them loose: The City is stepping up its fight against unlawful power connections and opportunist vandals targeting City electricity infrastructure during load-shedding.

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'n Nuwe laaiwerf en ekstra parkering word tans by die Kaapstadse Internasionale Konferensiesentrum aangebou.

Baggerwerk in die Benede-Silwermyne-vleiland maak deel uit van deurlopende rivierinstandhouding om die gehalte van binnelandse watermassas te verbeter en die risiko van verspoeling te verlaag.

Die projek van R7 miljoen behoort teen die einde van Junie klaar te wees. Oormatige slied en modder van rioolstortings, rommel, indringerplante, erosie en stormwaterafvloei word verwyder.

Kaapstad maak gereed om Afrika se heel eerste Wêreldbekernetbaltoernooi aan te bied. Die vierjaarlikse toernooi sal vir twee weke in Julie by die Kaapstadse Internasionale Konferensiesentrum plaasvind.

Met die hulp van die nasionale polisie en die Stad se eie wetstoepassingsbeamptes word alles in die stryd gewerp om onwettige krag aansluitings af te sny en vandalisme van kraginfrastruktuur te bekamp. Misdadigers buit oënskynlik die jongste vlaag konstante beurtkrag uit om op die Stad se infrastruktuur toe te slaan.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Iyadi entsha yokulayisha kunye nendawo eyongezelweyo yokupaka iindwendwe iyakhiwa kwiZiko leeNgqungquthela laseKapa.

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kwamanzi esiphango.

IKapa lilungiselela ukusingatha iNdebe yeHlabathi yeBhola yoMnyazi yokuqala eAfrika. Iziko leeNgqungquthela laseKapa laMazwe ngaMazwe liza kuba likhaya kwitumente yekota yeeveki ezimbini kweyeKhala.

ISixeko siqinisa iinzame zaso zokuqhawula iintambo zombane ezingekho mthethweni kunye nokulwa noko nakaliswa kweziseko ezingundoqo zombane kwaye sinciphisa yiNkonzo yamaPolisa aseMzantsi Afrika kunye namagosa aso ogcinomthetho. Kubonakala ngathi izaphulimthetho ziye zasebenzisa ithuba lokucinywa kombane okuthe gqolo ukujolisa kwiziseko ezingundoqo.

Making progress possible. Together.

Bumper budget to build a city of hope

The City's nearly R70 billion budget for 2023/24 reflects the municipality's commitment to turn Cape Town into a city of hope. It provides for basic service delivery, community projects, plans to end load-shedding, major infrastructure investments for enhanced water and wastewater resilience, and sufficient property rates revenue to sustain shared services.

Offering relief

The budget includes a R4,3 billion social support package, offering R1,96 billion in rates rebates and R2,37 billion in indigent relief. The upper income limit for rates rebates has been raised from R17 500 to R22 000, meaning more pensioners and social grant recipients will benefit.

A 50% rates relief increase is proposed for all residential properties valued at R5 million and under, with the first R450 000 of property values now rates-free. Over 700 000 properties, or 80% of all properties in town, are expected to benefit.

Some 192 500 properties valued at R450 000 or below, or with a total household income below R7 500, will receive a 100% rebate on property rates and refuse removal, 15 kℓ free water, 10,5 kℓ free sanitation, and up to 60 free electricity units.

Sustaining quality services

Changes for customers on the subsidised Lifeline power tariff will now see those who consume more than 350 units a month pay only R1,84 (down from R3,71). The Lifeline block 1 threshold has also been raised to 600 units to provide for higher electricity use during winter. To remain in this tariff category, the average monthly consumption limit of 450 units will still apply over a 12-month period.

An 8,6% increase for water and sanitation is proposed to cover costs and build Cape Town's water resilience. The tariff for refuse removal will increase by a suggested 5,5%. A 6,9% increase in property rates revenue is required to fund shared services such as fire services, parks and libraries.

Absorbing some of the price shock

Of Eskom's 18,49% increase, the City will apply only 17,6% to Capetonians. This will see the municipality absorb R15 million per month in costs. If the City were to absorb the national utility's entire price hike, this would amount to more than R180 million per year, which would jeopardise essential services.

Residents had until early May to comment on the draft budget, which will be implemented from 1 July 2023. A copy of the budget is available on www.capetown.gov.za or at your nearest subcouncil office or library.

A budget that brings hope - to all

Any metro's budget has to balance three considerations: the scale of future planning, the financial pressure on ratepayers, and vulnerable residents' needs. Since I tabled our draft budget, much has been written on how we are outspending other metros on infrastructure investment for the future. We are also offering our ratepayers by far the biggest bang for their buck, with the lowest residential and commercial property rates of all the large metros.

But let's pause on the third point: the extent to which a budget can be considered 'pro-poor'. Ultimately, no city can claim to be making progress when some are left behind. This is why it is important to see where cities spend their money, and how they shield vulnerable residents from extreme poverty.

Let's start with our record R11 billion capital expenditure budget. Some 73%, or R8 billion, of the projects that make up this total is for critical infrastructure servicing lower-income households. Much of this will go towards a dramatic acceleration of



A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

sewer pipe installations and replacements, pump station upgrades and wastewater treatment plant maintenance in Cape Town's poorest communities.

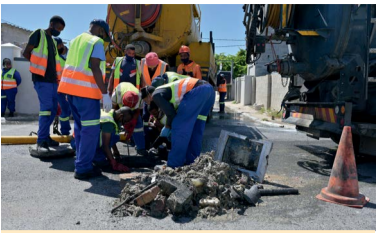
Other capital investments in poorer communities include a major MyCiTi expansion linking Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain with Wynberg and Claremont, a wide range of safety tech for our officers in crime hotspots, and upgrades to underperforming town

centres as well as informal trading infrastructure. A number of large human settlements projects are also at various stages of completion.

In addition to these, we have tabled a record R4,3 billion social package for lower-income households. Our financial support package – the most comprehensive of any metro – includes a 100% rebate on property rates and refuse removal, 15 kℓ free water and 10,5 kℓ free sanitation (the highest allocation in South Africa), and up to 60 free electricity units. We've increased the rates relief for properties under R5 million by 50%, and the first R450 000 of property values is now rates-free. We've also raised the upper qualifying limit for rates rebates for pensioners and grant recipients from a total monthly household income of R17 500 to R22 000.

Cape Town leads the way on all of these criteria, making our budget the most pro-poor city budget in the country. That is why we can confidently say that we're building a city of hope – for all.

– Geordin Hill-Lewis



Report sewer overflows

The City relies on residents to report sewer overflows and spills. Reporting is simple, thanks to the City's WhatsApp line and online portal, which even allow you to add pictures of the scene. Despite the City's contingency measures, more frequent sewer overflows are a reality during prolonged stages of load-shedding, as sewer pump stations need electricity to convey sewage to wastewater treatment works.

Added challenges include heavy rains, illegal dumping of inappropriate material, as well as broken or missing manhole covers, which make it easier for undesirable items to enter the sewer network.

Sadly, as City crews require safety escorts in some areas, all service requests may not be responded to immediately. They will be addressed as soon as it is safe to do so.

Help stop sewer spills

- Don't flush anything other than human waste and toilet paper down the toilet, and don't pour fats and oil down sinks and drains.
- Use the City's solid waste services to dispose of waste. Illegally dumped waste causes blockages.
- Check for illegal stormwater-to-sewer cross-connections, where rainwater is channelled from roofs, gutters and hard surfaces straight into sewer drains.

Report water and sanitation issues in one of these ways:

- **SMS:** 31373 (maximum 160 characters)
- **WhatsApp:** 060 018 1505
- **Call:** 0860 103 089
- **Visit** a walk-in centre: www.capetown.gov.za/facilities
- **Email:** water@capetown.gov.za
- **Online:** www.capetown.gov.za/servicerequests

No-cost title deed transfer drive starts soon

A R38 million Mayor's Priority Programme will transfer homeownership of City rental units to qualifying beneficiaries at no cost, giving tenants a foothold in the property market.

The City will fund the transfer fees and will also cover the insurance costs for saleable rental units from the date of sale until the registration of the property. In the next three years, the aim is to achieve approximately 22 000 such transfers, comprising some 7 500 City-owned rental units, 13 000 delayed transfer units and 1 400 historical serviced sites.

Legal City tenants in good standing who are currently occupying freestanding, semidetached or terraced (row) houses, maisonettes, historical site-and-service units and delayed transfer units may qualify. Find out more by contacting the Human Settlements Directorate call centre on 021 444 0333 or sending a WhatsApp to 063 299 9927.

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CITY'S NO-COST TITLE DEED PROGRAMME

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Contact us to see if you qualify.

Dam storage levels down in the Western Cape

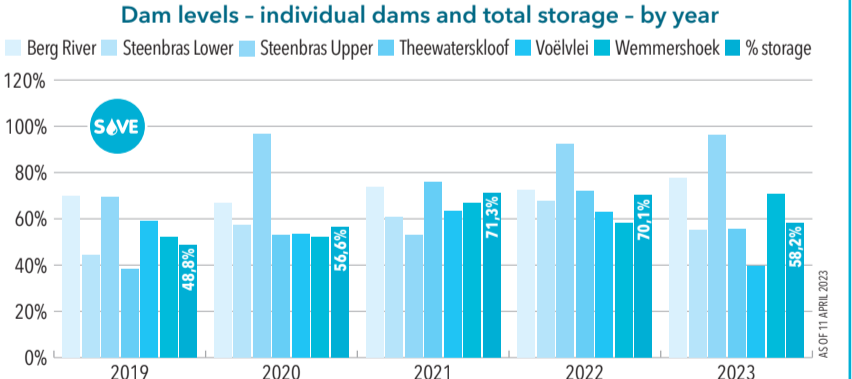
The dam levels for Cape Town have dropped to 58,2%. The City is aiming for an overall usage target of 650 million litres per day, which means Capetonians should try to use less than 105 litres per person per day.

Protect our water resources by following water-wise guidelines. Residents and businesses are reminded that the permanent regula-

tions 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.

- Visit www.capetown.gov.za/thinkwater or www.capetown.gov.za/waterregulations to access the regulations.



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Enige metro se begroting moet drie oorwegings balanseer: die skaal van toekomsbeplanning, die finansële druk op belastingbetalers, en die behoeftes van weerlose inwoners. Ongeveer 73%, of R8 miljard, van ons kapitaalbestedingsbegroting is vir kritiese infrastruktuurprojekte wat huishoudings met 'n laer inkomste bedien.

Die Stad se begroting van byna R70 miljard vir 2023/24 weerspieël die munisipaliteit se vasberadenheid om Kaapstad in 'n stad van hoop te omskep. Dit maak voorsiening vir basiese dienslewering, gemeenskapsprojekte, planne om beurtkraag te beëindig, groot infrastruktuur-

beleggings vir beter water- en afvalwaterstelsels, en genoeg inkomste uit eiendomsbelasting om gemeenskaplike dienste te handhaaf.

Inwoners word versoek om riool-oorstromings en -stortings aan te meld. Aanmelding is maklik danksy die Stad se WhatsApp-lyn en aanlyn portaal, waar jy selfs foto's van die toneel kan laai.

'n Spesiale burgemeestersprogram van R38 miljoen sal huureenhede van die Stad gratis aan kwalifiserende begunstigdes oordra en huurders sodoende toegang tot die eiendoms-mark gee.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Naluphi na uhlahlolwabiwo mali lukamasi-pala kufuneka luthathele ingqalelo imiba emithathu: umlinganiselo wocwangciso lwexesha elizayo, uxinzelelo lwezemali kubahlawuli berhafu, kunye neemfuno zabahlali abasemngciphekweni. Malunga ne73%, okanye iR8 yeebhiliyoni yohlal-olwabiwo mali lwenkcitho enkulu, yeyee-projekthi zeenkonzozo ezisisiseko ezijoliswe kumakhaya anengeniso esezantsi.

Uhlahlo lwabiwomali lweSixeko oluphantse lube ngamaR70 eebhiliyoni zowama2023/24 lubonisa ukuzinikela kukamasipala ekugquleni iKapa ibe siSixeko sethemba. Ibonelela ngonikezelo lweenkonzo ezisisiseko, iiprojekthi zoluntu, izicwangciso zokuphelisa ukucinywa kom-bane, utyalomali olungundoqo kwiziseko

zoncedo ukomeleza ukomelela kwamanzi kunye namanzi amdaka, kunye nengeniso eyaneleyo yeerhafu zepropati ukuzinzisa iinkonzo ekwabelwana ngazo.

ISixeko sixhomekeke kubahlali ukuba baxe-ele ukuphuphuma kwamanzi amdaka kunye nokuchitheka kwawo. Ukunika ingxelo kulula sibulela inombolo ye WhatsApp yeSixeko kunye nepotali yeintanethi ekuvumela ukuba ufake imifanekiso yendawo.

Inkqubo ephambili kaSodolophu exabisa amaR38 ezigidi iya kutshintshela ubunini bezindlu eziqeshiswayo zeSixeko kubaxhamli abafanelekileyo ngaphandle kweendleko, nto leyo enika abaqeshi indawo yokuthengisa ipropati.



Adding to the CTICC

Construction of a loading yard and more visitors' parking at the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) is expected to be completed by the end of June.

The City is co-funding the work, as the CTICC is a pillar of Cape Town's value proposition as an ideal destination for conferences and events. This year, the CTICC will host 415 events attended by 322 283 guests. These events cut across industries and themes, including energy, mining, finance, tourism, retail, the film industry, science and technology, agriculture, medicine, education, and sport. For next year, the CTICC has already confirmed 445 gatherings, and 480 for 2025.

Considering that delegates spend between R3 200 and R6 400 per day during their stay, the events drive billions of rands into Cape Town's economy and generate thousands of jobs for Capetonians.

City welcomes heritage recognition of District Six sites

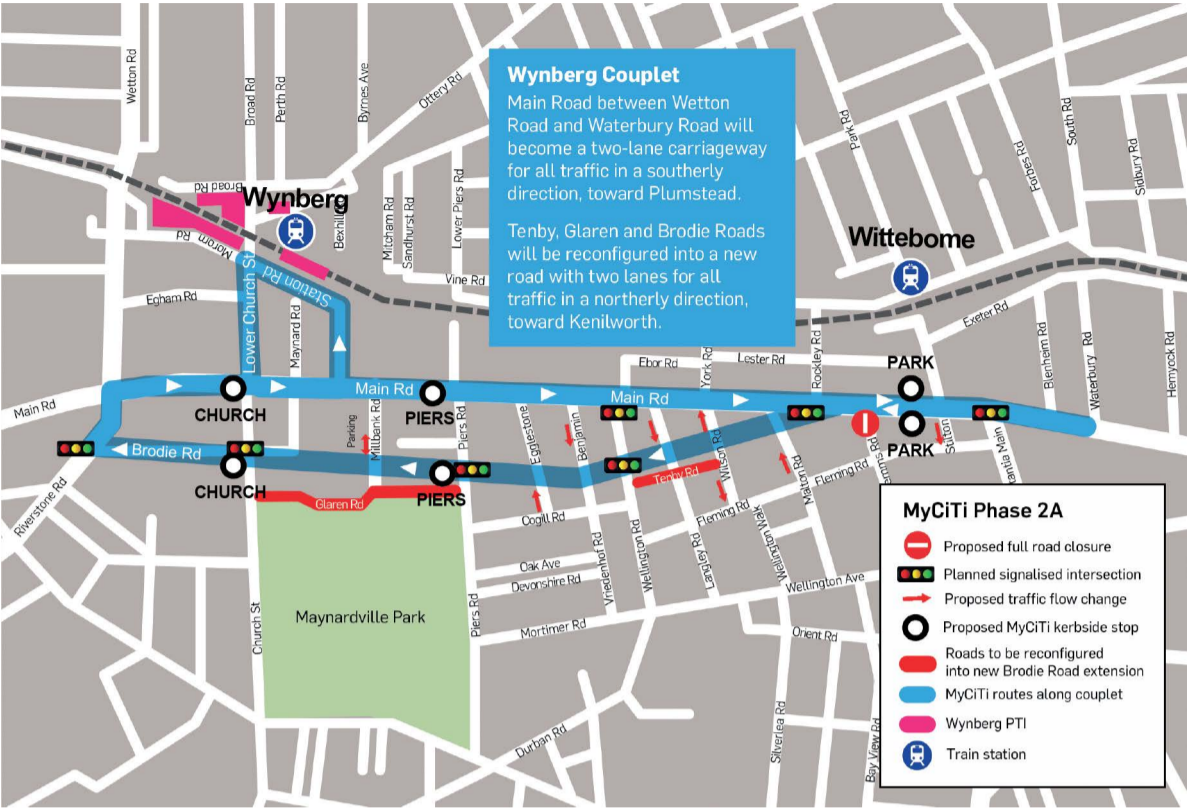
The South African Heritage Resources Agency has announced its decision to award national heritage status to eight sites in District Six. With this declaration, the sites will enjoy unique protection in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act.

The declared sites are the Seven Steps, the Holy Cross Roman Catholic church, the Moravian church, the Zeenatul-Islam masjid, the Al-Azhar mosque, Trafalgar High School, Harold Cressy School and the Jewish cemetery.

Recognising the cultural and historical significance of these sites is crucial to ensure that we never allow the events in District Six to happen again.

Making Wynberg traffic work

City proposes few added changes around couplet



The long and short of it: A Council-approved road couplet scheme, as illustrated in this map, will be implemented for the roll-out of the MyCiTi service in Wynberg, with buses travelling along the couplet to and from the Wynberg public transport interchange. In short, Brodie Road will be realigned to form a two-lane carriageway in a northerly direction towards Kenilworth, while Main Road will be turned into a two-lane carriageway in a southerly direction towards Plumstead. To improve traffic flow through central Wynberg, the City now proposes to turn some side roads intersecting with the couplet into one-ways and to permanently close three roads. For enquiries, contact the Transport Information Centre (toll-free, 24/7) on 0800 65 64 63 or transport.info@capetown.gov.za.

City-funded regeneration project helps homeless


The City's central Cape Town regeneration project recruited multiple homeless Capetonians, who have since been up-skilled and employed in communities across town. The project is administered by the non-profit Khulisa Solutions.

The emphasis is on sustainable livelihoods and helping people onto the first rung of the employment ladder. Participants were registered on Jobs Connect, the City's workforce development platform that connects job seekers with employment opportunities in the areas of their choosing. Many have subsequently secured employment in cleaning, park maintenance, running community gardens, and recycling. Businesses and residents in Green Point, Vredehoek, Woodstock and Parow have come on board to support the programme.

Key to the success of the initiative is that it offers long-term solutions for people to move off the streets, access the necessary rehabilitation and health services, and learn job-readiness skills.



Skills and jobs bring hope and dignity: Ald James Vos, Mayoral Committee member for Economic Growth, visited the City-funded Streetscapes urban garden (left) and the Cape Town central improvement district clean-up project (right). Both projects have employed previously homeless and jobless recruits upskilled by the City's regeneration initiative.



Key milestones for housing delivery

Bulk and internal civil services and preparations for electrification are under way for a project that will provide 2 469 housing opportunities to beneficiaries in the **Macassar region** (pictured above). The total project will cost approximately R800 million. The City has also made available R91 million in grant funding for an electrical substation to serve the entire area.

As the R45 million **Pooke se Bos** project near Gatesville is fast nearing completion, beneficiaries will be moved out of the informal settlement to their new homes.

In addition, the City is busy obtaining environmental and planning approvals for a housing development in **Philadelphia**, while the installation of civil services has begun at the new Sondela re-blocking project in **Mfuleni**.

For more on the City's Human Settlements Strategy, go to <http://bit.ly/CCT-HSstrategy>.

Meter makeover

City contractors are visiting properties to replace ageing water meters. By the end of June, this R18 million programme will have replaced over 27 000 meters. Accurate water meters ensure spot-on readings and bills and help residents monitor their water usage.

To gain access, the contractor needs to furnish you with an official letter addressed to your property. You may verify the service order number on the letter by WhatsApp (060 018 1505), phone (0860 103 089), SMS (31373, max 160 characters), email (water@capetown.gov.za) or online (www.capetown.gov.za/servicerequests).

If your meter is accessible and unobstructed, the replacement can be done on the day of the contractor's visit. If not, you'll be afforded seven days to contact the contractor to arrange a suitable time. Should no response be received, the City will install a new meter outside your property.

For information on how to read your water meter, including videos, go to www.capetown.gov.za/savewater.



Getting stuck in: Mayoral Committee member for Water and Sanitation Cllr Zahid Badroodien (in the black jacket) with a team on-site in Athlone carrying out a water meter replacement.

Top picks to replace trees infested by borer beetle

For a list of recommended trees to replace those infested with the invasive polyphagous shot-hole borer (PSHB) beetle, search "Green Infrastructure Programme trees" on www.capetown.gov.za. Planting an indigenous or non-invasive exotic tree that is suitable for Cape Town's climate and the specific site will help reduce the impact of the beetle on the Mother City's urban forest.

To date, the borer beetle has been spotted in the Helderberg area and more recently in Newlands, Rondebosch, Mowbray, Claremont, Kenilworth, and in Observatory along the Liesbeek river.

Report sightings of the borer beetle by visiting www.capetown.gov.za/InvasiveSpecies, calling the City's Invasive Species Unit on 021 444 2357, or by emailing invasive.species@capetown.gov.za.

KORTLIKS

Die Stad stel verdere veranderinge voor aan sommige strate rondom die Brodie-/Hoofwegskema wat vir die uitbreiding van die MyCiTi-diens in Wynberg geïmplementeer sal word. Die skema vorm 'n lus waarlangs busse na en van die Wynberg-vervoerwisselaar sal beweeg.

Bouwerk aan 'n nuwe laaiwerf en ekstra parkering by die Kaapstadse Internasionale Konferensiesentrum sal na verwagting teen die einde van Junie klaar wees.

Grootmaat- en interne siviele dienste en voorbereidings vir elektrifisering is aan die gang vir 'n projek wat 2 469 behuisingsgeleenthede aan begunstigdes in die Macassar-streek sal voorsien.

Die Suid-Afrikaanse Erfenishulpbronagentskap het nasionale erfenisstatus aan agt persele in Distrik Ses verleen.

Die Stad se middestadherlewingsprojek het verskeie hawelose Kapenaars gewerf, wat sedertdien opgelei en in gemeenskappe deur die hele stad in diens geneem is. Die projek word deur Khulisa Solutions, 'n organisasie sonder winsoogmerk, bestuur.

Vir 'n lys bome om dié te vervang wat met die indringerboorkewer besmet is, soek onder "Green Infrastructure Programme trees" op www.capetown.gov.za.

Stadskontrakteurs besoek tans eiendomme om ou watermeters te vervang. Die mikpunt van dié program van R18 miljoen is om teen die einde van Junie meer as 27 000 nuwe meters in die plek van die oues te installeer.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Inkqubo ephunyezwe liBhunga sendlela enamacala ezithuthi achaseneyo iya kumiselwa ukuze kugaliswe ngenkonzo yeMyCiTi eWynberg, ngeebhasi ezihamba kwindlela enamacala ezithuthi achaseneyo ukuya nokubuya kwirenti enkulu yeeteki yaseWynberg.

Ukwakhiwa kweyadi yokulayisha kunye neendawo zokupaka iindwendwe ezininzi kwiZiko leeNgqungquthela laseKapa laMazwe ngaMazwe (iCTICC) kulindeleke ukuba igqitywe ekupheleni kweyeSilimela.

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Iprojekthi yeSixeko yokuvuselela umbindi weKapa iye yaqesha abantu abaninzi baseKapa abangenamakhaya, abathe baphucula izakhono zabo baze baqeshwa eluntwini kwidolophu iphela. Le projekthi ilawulwa ngumbutho ongenzi nzuzo iKhulisa Solutions.

Ukufumana uluhlu lwemithi ekucetyiswa ukuba ithathe indawo yaleyo ihlaselwe nguqongqothwane ohlasela iindidi ezininzi zezityalo ngokwenza itonela kwiziqu zezityalo (iPSHB), khangela "Green Infrastructure Programme trees" ku www.capetown.gov.za.

Iikontraka zeSixeko zindwendwela iipropati ukuze zitshintshe iimitha zamanzi ezindala. Ekupheleni kweyeSilimela, le nkqubo yeR18 lezigidi iya kuba ithathe indawo yeemitha ezingama27 000.

Investing in inland waterbodies

Cape Town's inland waterbodies bear the brunt of rapid population growth, climate change and waste management challenges. With its R1,2 billion budget for the next three years, Spatial Planning and Environment hopes to turn the tide.

Up to R265 million has been budgeted for the dredging of vleis, a weed harvester for Rietvlei (R17 million) and the lowering of the Zeekoevlei weir to allow for a greater drawdown of water, which will improve water quality (R49 million).

Upgrades are also planned for Monwabisi (R46 million) and Muizenberg (R128 million). The latter will include a new coastal defence structure to protect against flooding and rising sea levels. On the Table View beachfront, the dune cordon will be rehabilitated, infrastructure refurbished, seaside parking areas reconfigured, and a walkway built (R90 million). Both Fisherman's Lane/Strandfontein boardwalk (R7,2 million) and the Seaforth beach precinct (R6,8 million) will be completed.

Rehabilitation in Fish Hoek and Fleur Park (R10,1 million) will restore the dune systems. The Strand seawall project will be continued to protect adjacent properties and to build a new promenade (R124,6 million). At Small Bay, a sewer main will be relocated and a new seawall built (R34,4 million), while the Sea Point promenade upgrade will enter its second phase (R37,2 million).



Youth plant trees for World Earth Day

Protecting fauna and flora to invest in their future.

On World Earth Day (22 April), 60 learners from Princeton Secondary in Woodlands were not scared to get their hands dirty planting protected *Sideroxylon inerme* (white milkwood) trees in the biodiversity section at Westridge Gardens. This formed part of a broader City environmental education programme.

In line with this year's Earth Day theme, "Invest in our future", they also learned about the local green economy, reducing their personal carbon footprint, and sustainable livelihoods. The youth participated in interactive workgroups discussing strandveld and dune ecosystems, conservation initiatives happening in their community, and the importance of preserving the various dune systems in the Mitchells Plain area.

Let's all do our bit to invest in our shared future. Become involved in protecting

Cape Town's unique fauna and flora by visiting the more than 15 conservation areas and biodiversity parks across town (search

"Biodiversity parks" on www.capetown.gov.za). Join any of the various Friends groups and take action towards a better Earth.



We're digging this! To mark World Earth Day, learners from Princeton Secondary in Woodlands attended an environmental education programme at Westridge Gardens and happily joined in the planting of some white milkwood trees.



City prioritises electrical repairs on the Plain

The City is making steady progress with streetlight and other electrical repairs necessitated primarily by vandalism in the Mitchells Plain area.

More than 350 incidents of vandalism to power infrastructure have been recorded across the metro in the first quarter of the year. Mitchells Plain is worst affected, with 30 recorded incidents. Beacon Valley, Lentegeur, Rocklands and Tafelsig are hotspot areas.

R40 million has been earmarked to help fight vandalism of energy infrastructure by deploying law enforcement officers and enhanced security at key points across town.

Another special focus is extended-outage area faults caused by load-shedding. This phenomenon is expected to get worse as winter sets in and higher stages of Eskom's load-shedding remain likely.

* Report damage to municipal electrical infrastructure via SMS to 31220 or email power@capetown.gov.za. Anonymous tip-offs may be made by calling 0800 1100 77. The City is offering a R5 000 reward if tip-offs lead to arrests.



Youth goes camping with the City

The Metro Police and the Early Childhood Development and Social Development (ECDSD) Department co-hosted two youth leadership day camps. The camps attracted 25 learners from Oscar Mpheta High School in Nyanga and 26 from Rusthoff High School in Strand respectively.

The Metro Police's K9 Unit delivered a drug-awareness presentation and dog demonstration to educate learners about drugs and firearms. Officers also imparted valuable lessons on problem solving, peer pressure, bullying and leadership. ECDSD, in turn, provided information about teenage pregnancy and the effects of alcohol and drugs on babies.



Camp Clever: Some of the approximately 50 learners from Nyanga and Strand who soaked up valuable information at two youth camps with the City's policing and social development departments. Sessions covered topics such as peer pressure, bullying, and the dangers of drugs and firearms.

Green Point Park soon home to a dome



Construction of an exciting dome-shaped educational space in Green Point Park's experiential education garden has started. The dome imitates a Khoekhoen dwelling and pays tribute to their heritage as a First Nations group. The structure will complement the surrounding landscaping.

On completion, the space will contain Khoekhoen materials and resources to be used as general information, exhibition displays, lesson plans and activities. These will also tie in with the Khoekhoen structures and information already on offer in the park's biodiversity showcase garden.

KORTLIKS

Sestig leerders van die Sekondêre Skool Princeton in Woodlands het op Wêreldaardedag (22 April) hand bygesit om beskermde *Sideroxylon inerme* (wit melkhout) in die biodiversiteitsafdeling van Westridge Gardens aan te plant.

Die Stad vorder fluks met herstellwerk aan straatligte en ander elektriese infrastruktuur in die omgewing van Mitchells Plain wat hoofsaaklik as gevolg van vandalisme onklaar geraak het.

Die metropolise en die departement maatskaplike en vroeëkindontwikkeling het twee dagkampe vir jeugleiers aangebied. Altesaam 25 leerders van Hoërskool Oscar Mpheta in Nyanga en 26 van Hoërskool Rusthoff in die Strand het die onderskeie kampe bygewoon.

Kaapstad se binnelandse watermassas

word erg geraak deur snelle bevolkingsgroei, klimaatsverandering en afvalbestuursuitdagings. Die departement ruimtelike ontwikkeling en omgewing hoop hulle begroting van R1,2 miljard oor die volgende drie jaar sal hulle die situasie help regstel.

Bouwerk aan 'n opwindende koepelvormige opvoedkundige ruimte in Groenpuntpark se ervaringsleertuin het begin. Die koepel boots 'n Khoek-hut na en bring hulde aan die erfenis van dié Eerste Nasie-groep.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

NgoSuku lweHlabathi olungeNdlalo yoMhlaba (22 kuTshazimpuzi), abafundi abangama60 base-Princeton Secondary eWoodlands babengoyiki ukungcolisa izandla zabo xa babelima imithi ekhuselweyo iSideroxylon inerme (white milkwood) kwicandelo lezityalo nezilwanyana ezohlukeneyo eWestridge Gardens.

ISixeko senza inkqubela phambili ezinzileyo ngokukhanya kwezitalato kunye nolunye ulungiso lombane oluyimfuneko ikakhulu ngokonakalisa indawo yaseMitchells Plain.

AmaPolisa kaMasipala neSebe loPhuhliso lwaBantwana noPhuhliso lweNtlo (ECDSD) libambe iinkampu zosuku ezimbini zobunkokheli zolutsha. Ezi nkampu zatsala abafundi abangama25 beSikolo samaBanga aPhakamileyo iOscar Mpetha eNyanga

kunye nama26 eSikolo samaBanga aPhakamileyo iRusthoff eStrand ngokulandelelanayo.

Amanzi angaphakathi eKapa athwele ubunzima bokukhula ngokukhawuleza kwabemi, utshintsho lwemozulu kunye nemingeni yolawulo lwenkunkuma. Ngohlalo lwabiwomali lwayo lweR1,2 yeebhiliyoni kule minyaka mithathu izayo, uCwangciso lweMihlabha engaMabala nokusiNgqongileyo lunethemba lokuguqula imeko.

Ukwakhiwa kwendawo yokufundisa emile okwedome kwigadi yemfundo yamava yaseGreen Point kuqalile. Idome ilinganisa indawo yokuhlala yamaKhoekhoen kwaye inika imbeko kwigadi lokulilifa lemveli leSizwe lokuQala.

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