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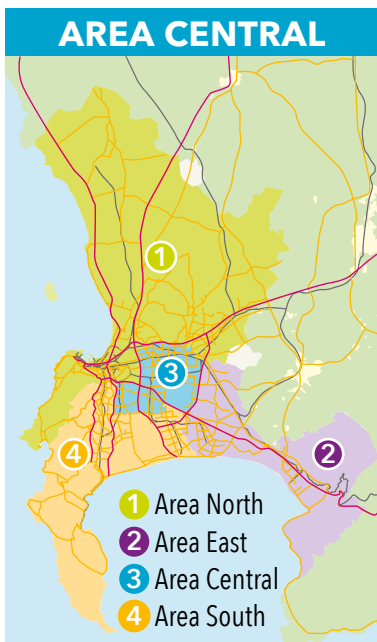
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**Local clothing is lekker clothing:** The revamped Epping-based Prestige Clothing manufacturing plant, a production site of clothing and textile giant The Foschini Group (TFG), employs more than 1 350 Capetonians. Ald James Vos, Mayco member for Economic Growth, visited the factory, where he shook hands with TFG employee, Thabo Qubelo. See page 3.

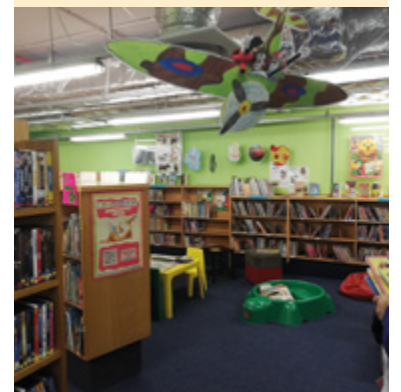
## New lease on life for Tygervalley library

The City has entered into a new lease to ensure that Tygervalley library continues to serve residents. The new agreement started on 1 July and will run for two years.

In future, external leases will not be a valid reason for City libraries to close. This comes after the review of a City decision taken in 2021 not to renew Tygervalley's lease due to the impact of Covid-19 on revenue. The decision was overturned, in part as a result of robust feedback from the community.

With nearly 5 000 patrons on its books, Tygervalley is one of the top-performing libraries in terms of circulation figures and celebrates its 35th birthday this year.

\* The Tygervalley library is on the lower level of the Tygervalley shopping centre in Bellville. Contact them on [tygervalley.library@capetown.gov.za](mailto:tygervalley.library@capetown.gov.za) or 021 400 3451.



**Starting a new chapter:** Thanks to a new lease, patrons of the City's Tygervalley library can look forward to many more hours of reading pleasure.

**Vaccinate. Save jobs. Protect yourself and those you work with.**

## ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

Help us catch criminals who demand protection money for your projects.

Phone 24/7:  
**021 480 7700**

**Anonymous tip-offs. Rewards offered!**

**LET'S ACT**  
LET'S STAND TOGETHER

## Extortionists, this is where you exit City fights back against crime syndicates

**E**xtortionists are waging a reign of terror in Cape Town, with major City housing projects being a key target. Usually, a local syndicate would threaten contractors with violence or damage unless they pay a 'protection fee', or the syndicate would demand a portion of the contract value for the local labour or security components. The projects are normally in vulnerable areas in dire need of housing, so those who can least afford it end up bearing the brunt of construction delays.

This is why the City has embarked on its "Enough is enough" campaign, which includes a 24/7 anonymous tip-off line (see "See something, say something"), a new enforcement unit, and ongoing stakeholder consultations.

### Nearly all projects affected

Extortion has reached the point where there is hardly a City project that is not delayed due to some form of threat to contractors or officials. Various checks have

been implemented to combat this, and operations across City departments are being adapted to reduce the risk and impact of extortion. The City is even considering closing bid adjudication committee meetings to prevent criminals from targeting the officials who make the decisions. Yet that would be a severe blow to transparency and good governance.

### City's hitting back

In addition to its reporting hotline, the City has commissioned a new facility protection officers (FPO) law enforcement unit to protect City facilities from extortion, theft and vandalism. Moreover, the City, the South African Police Service (SAPS), Province and others are on a task team to coordinate activities.

Unfortunately, protecting contractors is not a function the City is mandated to provide. Likewise, the power to arrest and charge extortionists currently rests with SAPS alone.

There are no quick solutions. Ultimately, international experience shows that the only effective way to deal with extortion is through effective policing, prosecution and punishment. The City is doing its best within the confines of its mandate. Extortion took time to creep into construction projects. It will take time to crush it.

### See something, say something

Extortion, intimidation, corruption and fraud affect us all. Even if you're not a direct victim or target, any theft of public money undermines efforts to improve infrastructure, services and amenities. Please help by reporting any incident to the City's anonymous 24/7 tip-off line on 021 480 7700. Be specific by stating that the matter involves 'extortion', 'intimidation', 'blackmail' or 'protection money', among others.

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## KORTLIKS

Die opgeknapte Prestige Clothing-fabriek in Epping, 'n produksie-aanleg van die klere- en tekstielreus The Foschini Group (TFG), het meer as 1 350 Kapenaars in diens.

Afpersing het al 'n aantal projekte van miljoene rande in Kaapstad vertraag. Die Stad se veldtog "Genoeg is genoeg" leer personeel, projekspanne en inwoners hoe hulle afpersingsvoorvalle veilig kan aanmeld sodat ons 'n beter kans staan om hierdie misdadigers aan die pen te laat ry.

Die Stad het 'n nuwe huurooreenkoms onderteken sodat Tygervalley-biblioteek kan voortgaan

om inwoners te bedien. Die nuwe ooreenkoms het op 1 Julie 'n aanvang geneem en is vir twee jaar geldig.

## KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Umzimveliso weempahla oseEpping oyiPrestige Clothing, oyindawo enkulu ekwenziwa nekuveliswa kuyo iimpahla nomqhaphu wenkampani iThe Foschini Group (TFG), iqesha abahlali baseKapa abangaphezu kwe1 350.

Ubuqhetseba northwaphilizo bulibazise iqela leprojekthi zezigidi zeerandi kwiKapa yonke. Ngephulo leSixeko elithi, "Enough is enough" "Kwanele ngoku", sifundisa abasebenzi, amaqela eprojekthi kunye nabahlali ngendlela ekhuselekileyo yokuxela ubuqhetseba northwaphilizo ukunyusa amathuba okuba le migila-mkhuba ibanjwe.

ISixeko singene kwisivumelwano esitsha sokurentisa ngethala leencwadi laseTygervalley ukuze liqhubeke

linika abahlali iinkonzo. Esi sivumelwano sitsha siqale ngomhla we1 kweyeKhala yaye siya kuqhuba iminyaka emibini.

Making progress possible. **Together.**





# Sjoe, not the sewer!

City teams clear over 300 sewer blockages and overflows a day. Among the items causing these problems are tyres, rags, clothing, feminine hygiene products, builder's rubble, litter, fats and oils, car parts and even electronics.

**Everything but the kitchen sink**  
Recently, buckets full of spoons and forks were removed from a sewer in Mfuleni. And over in Lavender Hill, it took four hours of labour and specialised equipment to extract a mattress from a manhole.

In the past financial year, the City spent R417 million to tackle blockages in Cape Town's sewer system. Spending included both proactive measures such as the winter preparedness programme and jet cleaning of sewer pipes, and citywide reactive clearing of sewer blockages due to illegal dumping.

**Get your mind INTO the gutter**  
Be careful with what you put into the sewer system:

- Don't flush anything other than human waste and toilet paper. Anything else will block the pipes.
- Use the City's solid waste services and drop-off facilities to get rid of solid waste; not the drains.
- Use the resources on the City's website to raise awareness about this issue in your area.

**Report sewer blockages, missing manhole covers and other water and sanitation issues:**

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

# Show your pride in Cape Town

While Cape Town's weather still seems to be deciding whether spring has arrived or not, we're certainly not going to wait around for that before we get into the spirit of spring. On Friday the 1st of September, we launched our annual Spring Clean campaign with a clean-up event in Langa, where we rolled up our sleeves along with enthusiastic members of the community to help get our city in ship-shape condition ahead of the summer season.

A big part of our vision for Cape Town relies on the buy-in of Capetonians to help us build a city of hope. If residents have pride in their city, they become partners and ambassadors in creating a better Cape Town. That's why city clean-up operations that involve communities are so important, because that is how you build a sense of ownership and a shared responsibility for not only keeping the city litter-free, but indeed for making every aspect of the city work.

As part of our Spring Clean campaign, we have scaled up our cleaning operations in litter hotspots around



## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

the city, and we encourage residents to organise their own clean-ups in their areas, whether this is to pick up litter in a street, a public space like a park, or even a local beach.

It won't be long before our airport, our Waterfront, our city pubs and restaurants and our winelands are buzzing with summer season tourists, and we want to put our best foot forward by welcoming them to not only the most vibrant and

beautiful city in the world, but also one of the cleanest. And this is something every single Capetonian can contribute towards.

We're also on a mission to instil this sense of pride in a clean Cape Town among our youngest residents so that this becomes a mindset for life; so we're sending our new litter mascot, Bingo, out into communities and on school visits to spread the word. Bingo, a cheerful green litter bin character, will play an important part in keeping our litter-free message top of mind with a call to always Bin it in the Bingo Bin.

As part of the Spring Clean campaign, we've made a 24-hour toll-free number (0800 110 077) available for residents to report illegal dumping in exchange for a reward where such a tip-off leads to arrests.

If you're planning a clean-up of your own, we'd love to know about it. So be sure to share your clean-up effort on social media and then tag your post with #SpringCleanCT to show your pride in our beautiful mother city!

**- Geordin Hill-Lewis**



# Get the City on your cell

After many months of hard work, the City's mobile app has gone live, bringing the municipality and its services even closer to residents and businesses.

**A feast of functions**  
The app's many useful functions include alerts and service notifications about outages and traffic disruptions. Users will soon be able to localise these notifications for their specific areas. The functionality of the City's standalone load-shedding app has also been included.

Residents have immediate access to emergency services through a 'floating' red button, which connects to the City's Public Emergency Communication Centre (PECC). The facilities for reporting electricity failures, pipe bursts, traffic light outages, sewer blockages, illegal dumping and potholes have even been incorporated.

In addition, you may use the app to upload meter readings, check account balances, find and contact your ward councillors, and have your say in public participation processes.

**Future features**  
Over time, the app will be refined to include other sophisticated features, such as geolocation and emergency response tools, even adding artificial intelligence to the mix.

The City app is available for both Android and Apple on your favourite app store, at no cost.



# Brazen brass meter thieves cost taxpayers dearly



Replacing some 2 255 stolen water meters between July 2022 and May 2023 cost the City R3,9 million. This is money that would have come in very handy in other service delivery areas.

In addition to the unnecessary expense, stolen meters also cause major inconvenience for the affected households, who are left without water supply until the meter is replaced.

Since the older brass meters (pictured right) have scrap value, the City is proactively replacing them with plastic ones (pictured left). Residents can also help tackle theft and vandalism of water and sanitation infrastructure by reporting incidents for investigation. A reward of up to R5 000 is offered for information that leads to the arrest of a suspected thief or the recovery of City property. To provide information on the whereabouts of stolen property or a suspected offender, dial 0800 110 077.



**Report stolen water meters or manhole covers:**

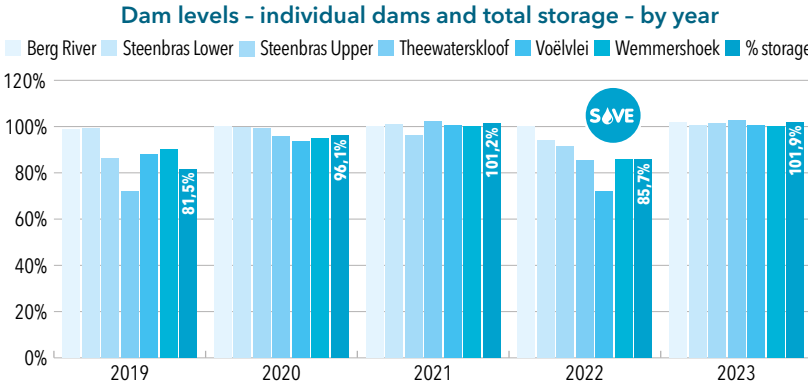
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## Dam storage levels up in the Western Cape

Due to heavy winter rains, the dam levels for Cape Town have increased to 101,9%. 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](http://www.capetown.gov.za/thinkwater) or [www.capetown.gov.za/waterregulations](http://www.capetown.gov.za/waterregulations) to access the regulations.



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## KORTLIKS

As deel van ons lenteskoonmaak-veldtog, het ons ons reinigingsbewerkings opgehef in hoë besoedelde areas rondom die stad. Ons moedig inwoners aan om hul eie opruimings in hul areas te reël.

Die Stad se spanne hanteer meer as 300 rioolverstopings en -oorstromings per dag. Items wat die probleme veroorsaak sluit in motorbande, lappe, klere, sanitêre produkte, bourommel, vet en olie, motoronderdele en selfs elektronika.

Die vervanging van sowat 2 255 gesteelde watermeters tussen Julie 2022 en Mei 2023 het die Stad R3,9 miljoen gekos. Benewens die onnodige uitgawe, veroorsaak gesteelde meters ook

heelwat ongerief vir die betrokke huishoudings, wat sonder water sit totdat die meter vervang word.

Na maande se harde werk is die Stad se mobiele toep nou in werking. Dit bied vele nuttige funksies soos waarskuwings en kennisgewings oor diensonderbrekings en verkeersontwrigtings. Inwoners het ook kitstoegang tot nooddienste en kan kragonderbrekings, gebarste pype, stukkende verkeersligte, rioolverstopings, onwettige vuilstorting en slaggate in 'n japtrap aanmeld.

## KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Njengxenalenye yephulo lethu lokucoca, siye sayandisa imisebenzi yethu yokucoca kwiindawo ezinenkunkuma ezingqonge isixeko, kwaye sikhuthaza abahlali ukuba balungiselele ukucoca kwiindawo zabo.

Amaqela eSixeko acoca ngaphezulu kwama300 emibhobho yamanzi amdaka evalekileyo kunye nokuphuphuma ngosuku. Phakathi kwezinto ezibangela ezi ngxaki ngamatayara, amalaphu, iimpahla, iimveliso zococeko lwabasetyhini, inkunkuma yabakhi, inkunkuma, amafutha neeoyle, iintsimbi zemoto nezinto zombane.

Ukufakela iimitha zamanzi ezibiweyo ezingama2 255 kweyKhala 2022 naku-Canzibe 2023 kudle iSixeko izigidi eziR3,9. Ukongeza kwiindleko ezingeyemfuneko,

iimitha ezibiweyo zikwadala inkxamleko enkulu kumakhaya achaphazelekayo, athi ashiywe engenamanzi de kufakelwe imitha yamanzi.

Emva kweenyanga ezininzi zomsebenzi onzima iapp yeselula yeSixeko iye yase-tyenziswa kwaye inezinto ezininzi eziluncedo njengezilumkiso kunye nezaziso zenkonzo malunga nokungabikho kunye nokuphazimiseka kwezithuthi. Abahlali bakwanofikelelo olukhawulezileyo kwiinkonzo ezingxamisekileyo kwaye banokuxela ukusilela kombane, ukugqabhuka kwemibhobho, ukucima kweerobothi, imibhobho yamanzi amdaka evalekileyo, ukulahlwa kwenkunkuma ngokungekho mthethweni kunye nemingxuma ezindleleni.





## Don't let your backup blow up

Amid ongoing Eskom load-shedding, the City is experiencing an enormous spike in solar photovoltaic (PV) applications as residents and businesses resort to backup systems to keep the lights on. Over 5 700 grid-tied and off-grid systems have been authorised to date.

### Is your inverter vetted?

Incorrectly wired solar PV inverters and batteries on the grid, including faulty meters, are a leading cause of extended power outages in neighbourhoods when power is restored after load-shedding. Unsafe systems also increase the chance of fire or electrocution for those working on the electrical grid.

To ensure that you choose a safe and legal system, the City has loaded a list of approved inverters on its website. Go to "Documents and policies" and type in "inverter" in the search box. The "Approved photovoltaic inverter list" will be among the search results.

### Grid-tied? Hope you've applied

From October 2023, all small-scale embedded generation (SSEG) systems need to include a City-approved inverter and professional sign-off. This only applies to solar PV and battery systems connected to the wiring of a building. Smaller inverters that plug into wall sockets are regarded as electrical appliances and are not included.

The City will prioritise less cumbersome grid-tied installations and is also working on an online application process to further streamline the customer experience.

For a handy checklist on safe and legal solar PV installations, search for the "Rooftop PV safe and legal installations guidelines pamphlet" under "Documents and policies" on the City's website.

## Many Capetonians fed with needle and thread

### Manufacturing and buying local makes rands and sense

Prestige Clothing (now owned by The Foschini Group, or TFG) is a founding member of the Cape Clothing and Textile Cluster (CCTC), the City's special-purpose vehicle (SPV) to strengthen the local clothing and textile industry. The CCTC – a public-private partnership of retailers, manufacturers and public-sector stakeholders – has been working with TFG over the past 15 years to make the local value chain more competitive, ensuring that buying local makes business sense.

With over 23 800 people working in the industry, clothing and textile is the second-largest employer in Cape Town's manufacturing sector. CCTC research has found that at least 20 000 jobs can be created in the sector in the Mother City alone by increasing local sourcing.

One of the CCTC's projects, the Business Accelerator programme, helps small Cape Town clothing and textile businesses become suppliers to large retailers. In the past year, this resulted in the signing of new contracts worth millions of rands. Through the Craft + Design Institute (CDI), the City also administers the Cape Skills and Employment Accelerator Project as



**All 'seams' fine:** Ald James Vos, Mayco member for Economic Growth, with TFG employee Anthea Manual during his visit to the clothing factory in Epping.

another way to channel support to the industry.

For 2023/24, the City has provided for direct economic incentives worth R41 million to attract jobs and investors to Cape Town. This will build on the

successes made in the previous year, having facilitated more than R10,85 billion in investments, created 8 718 jobs, and trained 3 497 people for work in the metro's high-value industries.

## Meet the 2023 Junior City Council

In July, the City's Junior City Council (JCC) elected their executive committee for the 2023 term. The junior executive mayor is Dirk Hagen (grade 11, DF Malan High), and the junior deputy mayor is Fayhaa Khalil (grade 10, Abbotts College, Rondebosch). Teagan Bender (grade 11, False Bay High) was elected junior speaker and Hlumelo Jeke (grade 11, Athlone High) junior chief whip.

The young leaders were elected

through a democratic process, with nominations submitted by outgoing JCC members, and proper campaigning. The Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) presided over the election, which took place at the City's Council Chambers.

The JCC helps foster civic responsibility among young Capetonians. It also develops their self-image and leadership skills, enabling them to become responsible citizens and proud ambassadors for the Mother City.



**Nothing minor about Junior Council:** Top right: Newly elected junior executive mayor Dirk Hagen from DF Malan High receives his mayoral civic regalia from Cllr Donovan Nelson, the Junior City Council (JCC) custodian. Above: The new JCC executive team with their fellow councillors. The 2023 JCC cohort comprises 50 grade 10s and 11s from 50 schools across the metro.

## Shocking spike in electricity service requests

In June, the City attended to a whopping 50 000 electricity service requests due to damage caused by severe weather, vandalism, load-shedding and secondary tripping. Teams in the East, North and South areas handled almost 10 000 streetlight service requests alone. Here's how you can help lighten our teams' load:

**Tame the trip:** Nuisance tripping typically occurs when the electricity does not come back on or switches off shortly after supply has been restored to an area. Reduce the risk of tripping by switching off major and non-essential appliances prior to your scheduled blackout.

**Don't double up:** When reporting electricity faults, use only one reporting channel, and do not log the same request multiple times. This will delay the response.

**Understand our limits:** Some areas are supplied directly by Eskom, and others by the City. This is not determined by the City, but by the National Electricity Regulation Act. While we value service delivery to residents, there are limits to what the City and its representatives can achieve, as Eskom is a national entity.



### To request services or report damaged electrical infrastructure:

- **SMS:** 31220 (maximum 160 characters, standard rates)
- **Call:** 0860 103 089
- **Email:** power@capetown.gov.za
- **Online:** www.capetown.gov.za/servicerequests

*\* For anonymous tip-offs about vandalism to infrastructure, dial 0800 110 077. A reward of R5 000 is available for tip-offs that lead to arrests.*

## KORTLIKS

Prestige Clothing (wat deur The Foschini Group, of TFG, oorgekoop is) is 'n stigterslid van die Kaapse Klere- en Tekstielkluster (CCTC), die Stad se spesiale werktuig om die plaaslike klere- en tekstielbedryf te versterk. Die CCTC – 'n openbare-privaat vennootskap tussen kleinhandelaars, vervaardigers en openbaresektorspelers – werk reeds die afgelope 15 jaar saam met TFG om die mededingendheid van die plaaslike waardeketting te verhoog sodat sakelui die sin in plaaslike aankope sal sien.

Te midde van voortslepende Eskom-beurtkrag, beleef die Stad 'n drastiese toename in aansoeke om fotovoltaiiese sonkraginstallasies. Maak seker jy kies 'n veilige en wettige stelsel. Raadpleeg die lys goedgekeurde wisselrigters op die Stad se webtuiste. Gaan na "Documents and policies" en tik "inverter" in die soekkassie.

Die Stad het in Junie 'n allemintige 50 000 elektrisiteitsdiensversoeke hanteer. Skade aan kragtoerusting was weens swaar weer, vandalisme, beurtkrag en sekondêre kragonderbrekings. Byna 10 000 diensversoeke in die oostelike, noordelike en suidelike diensgebiede het met straatligte verband gehou.

Die Stad se junior stadsraad het hulle uitvoerende komitee vir die termyn 2023 gekies. Die junior uitvoerende burgemeester is Dirk Hagen (graad 11, Hoërskool DF Malan), en die junior onder-burgemeester is Fayhaa Khalil (graad 10, Abbotts College, Rondebosch). Teagan Bender (graad 11, Hoërskool Valsbaai) is tot junior spreker verkies, en Hlumelo Jeke (graad 11, Hoërskool Athlone) tot junior hoofswep.

## KHAWUNDIBALISELE

IPrestige Clothing (ekungoku eyiyeyeThe Foschini Group, okanye iTFG) yiyo eyaseka iCape Clothing and Textile Cluster (CCTC), ikhubalo elilodwa leSixeko (SPV) lokomeleza ushishino ngeempahla nemiqhaphu eveliswe apha kulo mmandla. I-CCTC – ubuhlakani obuphakathi korhulumente namashishini abucala, abavelisi kunye nabo bachaphazeleka kumacandelo karhulumente – ibisebenza neTFG kwiminyaka eli15 edlulileyo ukwenza ukuba amashishini akule ngingqi akwazi ukuthengisa, ukuqinisekisa ukuba abantu bayasibona isidingo sokuthenga izinto eziveliswe kwingingqi yethu.

Njengokuba kuqhubeka ingxaki yocimicimi wombane kaEskom, iSixeko sinengxaki enkulu yokunyuka kweenkqubo ezitsala umbane elangeni. Ukuqinisekisa ukuba ukhetha inkqubo ekhuselekileyo nesemthethweni, iSixeko sifake kwiwebhusayithi uludwe lweevinvetha ezamkelekileyo. Phaya kwiwebhusayithi yiya ku"Doc-

uments and policies" utayiphe u"inverter" kwibhokisi yokukhangela.

KweyeSilimela, iSixeko siye sahoya izicelo zenkonzo yombane eziyi50 000 ngenxa yomonakalo owenziwe yimozulu ebimbi kakhulu, ukumoshwa kwezinto, uci-mi-cimi wombane nokuwa kwawo ngenxa yocimi-cimi. Amaqela akummandla waseMpuma, eMntla naku-Mazantsi aye ahoya malunga ne10 000 yezicelo zeenkonzo zezibane zasezitrateni, zizodwa nje.

NgeyeKhala, iKhansili yeSixeko yoLutsha (JCC) iye yakhetha isigqeba esiza kusebenza ku2023. USodolophu wesigqeba seli qela lolutsha nguDirk Hagen (OkwiBanga 11, DF Malan High), ze uSekela Sodolophu, ibe nguFayhaa Khalil (Ibanga 10, Abbotts College, Rondebosch). UTeagan Bender (Ibanga 11, False Bay High) ukhethwe njengosekelasomlomo, ze uHlumelo Jeke (Ibanga 11, Athlone High) walisekela lombhaxeshi oyintloko.



Prime Parow land released for social housing

The City has approved the release of land parcels in Parow totalling 13 000 m² for social housing. Some of the land pockets are near Voortrekker Road and the Tygerberg and Unisa campuses. The release is expected to facilitate 650 social housing units.

This is over and above the release of five inner-city land parcels, which will deliver 300 housing units. Together, these land releases ensured that the City achieved critical milestones in the first year of its Accelerated Land Release priority programme. Some 6 500 social housing opportunities are in the pipeline and will benefit those with a monthly household income of less than R22 000. All City social housing projects follow due process and thorough public participation.

Social housing in a nutshell

- Social housing is neither low-income government housing (such as Breaking New Ground or 'RDP' housing), nor City rental units. These subsidised rental developments add value to neighbourhoods. They are managed with 24-hour security and access control.
- The projects are managed by accredited social housing institutions (SHIs), who enter into formal lease agreements with tenants. Tenants must keep up with their rent to avoid legal action by the SHI.
- Rental income is used for the day-to-day operation and upkeep of the complex. As such, SHIs receive no operational grants.
- The City is not involved in the day-to-day management of SHIs, the amount of rent charged, or the eviction of defaulters.
- Projects are developed on well-located, accessible land in and near urban centres.

\* For more information and to apply, enter "Apply for social housing" into the search box on the City's website.

Piping hot progress with sewer replacement  
City more than doubles capacity across the metro

The City exceeded its target of doubling sewer pipe replacements across town from 25 to 50 km for 2022/23, having replaced 55 km of pipeline. Some R443,4 million was spent on rehabilitating key sections of Cape Town's nine million meters of sewer pipeline. From 2023/24, the annual target for replacement will be pushed up to 100 km at a total cost of R850 million over the next three years.

Pipe replacement is part of a strategy to keep up with population growth and reduce sewer spills. In July alone, the City replaced 3 376 m of sewer pipes in areas such as Simon's Town, Atlantis, Melkbosstrand, Table View, Boston, Athlone and Gugulethu.

Planned projects for 2023/24 include Brackenfell Industrial, Stikland Industrial, Kraaifontein Industrial, Welgemoed, Bergvliet, Muizenberg, Lotus River, Constantia, Tokai, Wynberg, Broadlands, Strand, Kuils River, Mission Grounds/Sir Lowry's Pass, Tuscany Glen, Eerste River South, Kraaifontein, Eversdal, Brackenfell, Bellville, Dunoon, Joe Slovo, Langa, Samora Machel, Crawford/Lansdowne,



Uitsig, Bakoven/Camps Bay, Ravensmead, Rondebosch, Gugulethu, Parow Industria, Avondale, Parow, Bishopscourt, Clifton, Athlone, Claremont, Lower Crossroads, Bridgetown, and Fresnaye.

Pipe replacements, along with

bulk sewer upgrades, proactive sewer cleaning and digital telemetry for early warnings of sewer spills, have resulted in 30% fewer reported spills in Cape Town over the past two years. A new digital system is being rolled out to track progress even more closely.



Urban Waste gets new wheels

The City recently took delivery of 219 Urban Waste Management vehicles to replace some of the older vehicles in the fleet. The new additions are 24 standard compactors for collections, and five smaller ones for cleansing, 46 cleansing trucks, seven earthmoving vehicles for clearing illegal dumping and City disposal sites, and 137 light vehicles.

Restoring roads after rough winter

This winter's torrential rains have highlighted the vulnerability of our road infrastructure to extreme weather. To ensure ongoing road maintenance and rehabilitation, the City has entered into long-term contracts with service providers. Residents can expect widespread roadworks throughout town.

Projects already completed in Area Central include the resurfacing of several stretches of road in Bellville (Junction Street between Radnor and Stoker streets; Radnor Street between Robert Sobukwe Road and Junction Street; and sections of road in Sacks Circle and Elsies River industrial areas).

In Athlone, roadworks were carried out in Gatesville between Johnston and Hazel roads, between Hazel Road and Yusuf Gool Boulevard, and in Carnie Road between Klipfontein and College roads. Damaged manholes and catchpits were also repaired and raised flush to roads, pavement surfaces were maintained, and road markings repainted.

Spotlight on Athlone stadium for top events

Athlone stadium hosted nine matches for the World Rugby Under-20 Championship, including the final between France and Ireland on 14 July. The French won the day. South Africa placed third after winning England. In May, the stadium was also host to the DHL Western Province Currie Cup.

As one of the City's strategic assets, the versatile Athlone stadium is increasingly used for various kinds of events and sports.



KORTLIKS

Die Stad het vir 2022/23 'n mikpunt gehad om rioolpyppervangings van 25 tot 50 km pypleiding te verdubbel. Die munisipaliteit het uiteindelik selfs beter gevaar deur 55 km te vervang. Ongeveer R443,4 miljoen is aan die rehabilitasie van kerngedeeltes van Kaapstad se nege miljoen meter lange rioolnetwerk bestee. Die jaarlikse mikpunt sal vanaf 2023/24 tot 100 km verhoog word teen 'n algehele koste van R850 miljoen oor die volgende drie jaar.

Die Stad het goedkeuring verleen vir die vrystelling van 13 000 m² se grond in Parow vir sosiale behuising. Van die stukke grond is naby Voortrekkerweg en Tygerberg- en Unisa-kampus. Die grondtransaksie baan die weg vir 650 behuisingseenhede.

Athlone-stadion was gasheer vir nege wedstryde van die Wêreldrugbykampioenskaps-toernooi vir onder-20's, waaronder die eindstryd tussen Frankryk en Ierland op 14 Julie.

Die Stad het onlangs 219 nuwe afvalbestuursvoertuie in ontvangs geneem om van die ouer voertuie in die vloot te vervang.

Die swaar reën dié winter het getoon hoe kwesbaar ons padinfrastruktuur vir weeruiterstes is. Om te sorg dat padinstandhouding en -rehabilitasie deurlopend plaasvind, het die Stad langtermynkontrakte met diensverskaffers aangegaan. Inwoners kan wydverspreide padwerk deur die hele stad verwag.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko sidlulile kwithagethi yaso yokuphindaphinda ufakelo olutsha lwemibhobho yogutyulo ukusuka kwi25km ukuya kwi50 km ku-2022/23, nanjengoko ilungise imibhobho eyi55 km. Kuchithwe iR443,4 yezigidi ekuvuseleleni imibhobho yogutyulo ezizigidi ezisithoba kumacandelo angundoqo aseKapa. Ukususela ngo2023/24, ithagethi yonyaka yokulungisa imibhobho iza kunyuswa ibe ngu100 km ngesixamali esiyiR850 miliyoni kule minyaka mithathu ilandelayo.

ISixeko samkele ukukhululwa kwemihlatyana es-eParow iyonke eyenza i13 000 m² ukuze kwakhelwe uluntu. Eminye yale mihlatyana ikufutshane neVoortrekker Road neTygerberg kunye nekampasi yaseUnisa. Ukukhululwa kwawo kuya kuncedisa ekwakhweni kweeyunithi zokuhlalisa uluntu ezizi650.

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