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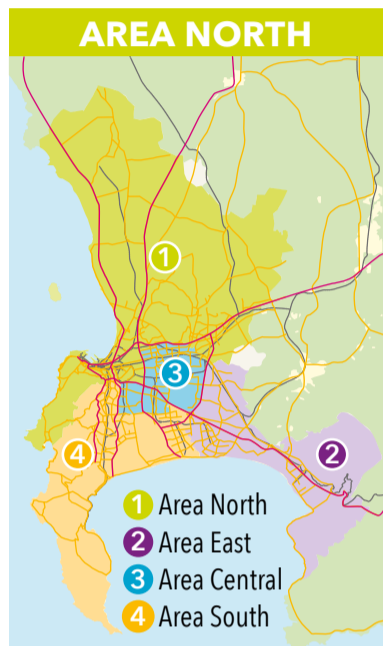


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Digging 'Diep' to fight catchment pollution: The City is taking a range of short-term actions to combat pollution in the Diep river catchment. Apart from ongoing by-law enforcement, over 20 litter nets have been installed all along the Diep river, and expanded waste interception has been introduced to the Black and Salt rivers as well as the Jakkalsvlei canal. The City is also correcting illegal residential cross-connections between stormwater and sewer pipes. Other measures include the cleaning of maturation ponds and the re-engineering of natural reed beds to catch pollution before it reaches the Diep river.

Stop to smell (and snip) the roses

Recreation and Parks hosted its second annual rose care and pruning open day at the Durbanville rose garden in July. The popular event offers gardening enthusiasts and beginners a chance to hone their rose care skills, practising on the impressive variety of roses at the City's iconic Durbanville garden. The fragrant rose garden with its rich history is an iconic wedding photography venue. Opened in 1979, the garden spans 3,5 hectares and contains an estimated 4 500 bushes of 500 rose cultivars.



Future looks rosy: Above: Participants in the rose care open day at the Durbanville rose garden watch attentively as rose specialist Talhat Alhabal demonstrates how to prune different varieties of rose bushes and growth types. Below: From left, Recreation and Parks' Thembisile Mzileni, Cllr Ronel Viljoen (chair of the Portfolio Committee for Community Services and Health) and Michelle Prins.



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

Extortionists 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 Stad stel 'n aantal korttermynmaatreëls in om besoedeling in die Diep- en Sout- en Swart- en Sout- rivier opvanggebied te bestry. Benewens deurlopende wetstoepassing, is meer as 20 rommelnette geïnstalleer en uitgebreide vullis-onderskepping in die Swart- en Sout- rivier sowel as Jakkalsvleikanaal aangebring.

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 departement ontspanning en parke het in Julie sy tweede jaarlikse opedag vir rooskekers en -snoeiers in die Durbanville-roostuin aangebied. Die gewilde geleentheid bied tuinmaak-entoesiaste 'n geleentheid om hulle rooskeekvaardighede te slyp deur op die indrukwekkende verskeidenheid rose in dié ikoniese tuin te oefen.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko sithatha uluhlu lwamanyathelo exeshana elifutshane ukulwa nongcoliseko kummandla weziko lamanzi kumlambo iDiep river. Ngaphandle konyanzeliso lomthetho kamasipala oluqhubekayo, ngaphezulu kwama20 eminatha yenkunkuma efakiweyo, kunye nokwandiswa kothintelo lwenkunkuma kuye kwaziswa kwimilambo iBlack river kunye neSalt river nakumjelo iJakkalsvlei.

Ubuqhetseba bulibazise inani leeprojekthi ezizizigidi zeerandi kwiKapa liphela. Ngephulo laso elithi "Kwanele" iSixeko sifundisa abasebenzi, amaqela eeprojekthi kunye nabahlali malunga

nengxelo ekhuselekileyo yobuqhetseba ukuze kwandiswe amathuba okuba kubanjwe aba baphulimthetho.

ULonwabo kunye neePaki zisingathe usuku lwazo lwesibini lonyaka uSuku oluVulekileyo lokhathalelo lweerozi kunye nokuthenwa kwigadi yerozi eDurbanville kweyeKhala. Lo mnyhadala udumileyo unika abo bathanda igadi ithuba lokulola izakhono zabo zokunyamekela iirozi, baziqhelanise nohlobo lweerozi olunomtsalane kwigadi yeSixeko yaseDurbanville.



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
- **Email:** water@capetown.gov.za
- **Online:** 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

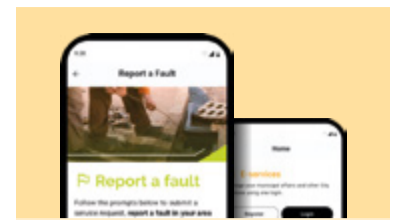
beautiful city in the world, but also one of the cleanest. And this is something every single Capetonian can contribute towards.

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.



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Dam storage levels up in the Western Cape

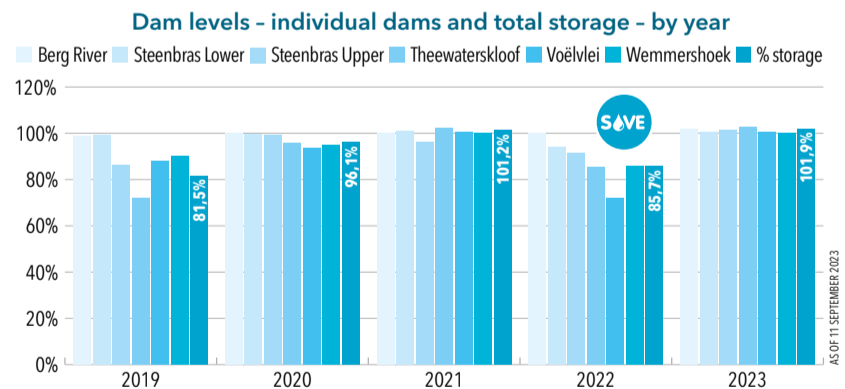
Due to heavy winter rains, the dam levels for Cape Town have increased to 101,9%. The City is aiming for an overall usage target of 650 million litres per day, which means Capetonians should try to use less than 105 litres per person per day.

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



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As deel van ons lenteskoonmaak-veldtog, het ons ons reinigingsbepoelings 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 vullis-storting 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 lwabesityhini, inkunkuma yabakhi, inkunkuma, amafutha neoyile, 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 kweerobhothi, 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.

Bigger is better in Milnerton

New bulk sewer will reduce spills and improve services

In mid-August, the City broke ground on the next portion of the major R474 million Milnerton bulk sewer upgrade. The project entails the construction of a new bulk sewer in Montague Gardens using micro-tunnelling technology, and extending and connecting the Edgemead and Century City bulk sewers into the new infrastructure.

Once the nearly 4 km of new bulk sewer is built by 2025, the City will divert sewage along this line while it rehabilitates the existing bulk sewer in Montague Gardens. Located under the busy Montague Drive, the existing pipe will have to be rehabilitated with trenchless technology. A robotic crawler will first profile pipes to determine the best method of repair, and all work will occur underground with minimal disruption to residents and traffic.

Over the next three years, the City will invest a massive R1,4 billion in major bulk sewer upgrades to the Cape Flats, Philippi, Milnerton and Gordon's Bay lines. This forms part of the 223% increase in the City's Water and Sanitation infrastructure budget from R2,3 billion in 2022/23 to



Buying in bulk: Pictured are, from left, Cllr Zahid Badroodien (Mayco member for Water and Sanitation) and Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis on the site of the R474 million Milnerton bulk sewer upgrade project, which broke ground on 16 August.

R7,8 billion in 2025/26.

Besides bulk sewer upgrades, other highlights over the next three years include R8,6 billion's expenditure on upgrading wastewater treatment works, R1,3 billion for the City's sewer spill response, including proactive jet cleaning,

and R850 million for pipe replacements.

Apart from improving basic services and giving dignity, Cape Town's R43 billion three-year infrastructure programme – bigger than that of Joburg and Durban combined – will also create an estimated 135 000 jobs.

Battery plant a big boost

Construction has started on a 12 500 m² site in Richmond Park that will be turned into Africa's first dedicated gigawatt battery storage manufacturing plant.

The facility of battery manufacturer Solar MD will include offices, manufacturing and storage facilities and will be four times the size of the company's existing site in Montague Gardens. Solar MD currently produces around 120 lithium-ion batteries each year, which should increase to 300 a year once the new facility is up and running. Staffing, too, will double from the existing 120 employees to 240. The project is scheduled for completion in May 2024.

Solar MD has invested over

R150 million in its developments since 2015 and plans to spend close to R1 billion in its further expansion over the next five years. The company's growth has been supported by GreenCape, the City's special-purpose vehicle (SPV) for the green economy, as well as investment promotion partner Wesgro.

This demonstrates the value of partnering with SPVs. By supporting companies such as Solar MD, GreenCape helped facilitate R1,733 billion in investments for Cape Town in 2022/23, which created hundreds of jobs. This year, the City will expand its advocacy for Cape Town as a green energy hub and extend skills training to more communities and small businesses.



Batteries for Africa: An artist's impression of Solar MD's new Richmond Park site, which will be the continent's first dedicated plant for the manufacture of gigawatt lithium-ion battery storage. This further establishes Cape Town as a green energy hub.



Arts Aweh! makes learning fun

The City's Arts and Culture Branch recently offered the Arts Aweh! programme for children across the metro, creating fun learning experiences and an opportunity to try their hand at various art forms. The creative after-school programme included activities such as drawing, painting, photography, hip hop, dance, performance, poetry, clay, and beading.

Children from Dunoon and Pella were among the nearly 20 000 young ones who participated in the pilot project. They were shown the ropes by 40 creative coaches. Apart from fostering learning, Arts Aweh! also created a safe space for children to appreciate one another's unique cultures and perspectives.

The pilot culminated in a series of exhibitions that showcased the children's newly acquired skills.

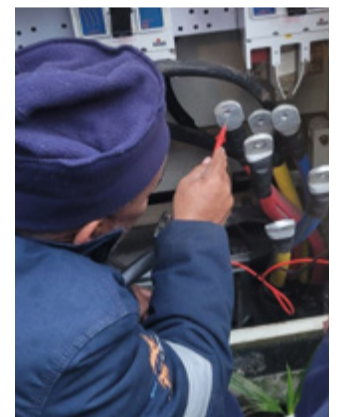
Shocking spike in electricity service requests

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

Die Stad het in Augustus met die volgende gedeelte van die massiewe opknapping van die Milnerton-massarioolpypleiding van R474 miljoen begin.

Te midde van voortslepende Eskom-beurtkrag, beleef die Stad 'n drastiese toename in aansoeke om fotovoltaïese 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.

Bouwerk het begin aan 'n fabriek van 12 500 m² in Richmond Park wat Afrika se eerste toegewyde aanleg vir die vervaardiging van gigawatt-rugsteunbatterye sal wees.

Die Stad se tak vir kuns en kultuur het onlangs die program Arts Aweh! vir kinders deur die hele metro aangebied. Dit het prettige leerervarings voorsien en kinders aan verskillende kunsvorme blootgestel.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Phakathi kwinyanga yeThupha, iSixeko siye saphumelela kwinxalenye elandelayo yokuphuculwa kogutyulo olukhulu oluxabisa izigidi ezingamaR474 eMilnerton.

Ngexesha lokucinywa kombane kaEskom okuqhubekayo, iSixeko sijongene noxinzelelo olukhulu kusetyenziso lwesolar photovoltaic (iPV). Ukuqinisekisa ukuba ukhetha inkqubo ekhuselekileyo nesemthethweni, iSixeko sifake uluhlu lweziguquli zombane ezivunyiweyo kwiwebhusayithi yaso. Yiya kwindawo ethi "Documents and policies" uze uchwezeze igama elithi "inverter" kwibhokisi yokukhangela.

KweyeSilimela, iSixeko siqwalasele izicelo zenkonzo yombane ezingama50 000 ngenxa yomonakalo obangelwe yimozulu embi, ukonakaliswa kwempahla, ukucinywa kombane kunye nokuwa kombane emva kokuba ubuyisiwe. Amaqela aseMpuma, eMntla naseMazantsi aye ajongana nezicelo zenkonzo yokukhanyisa ezitalatweni eziphantse zibe ngama10 000 kuphela.

Ulwakhiwo luqaliswe kwisiza esili12 500 m² eRichmond Park esiya kuguqulwa sibe yindawo yokuqala yokuvelisa ibhetri yegigawati eAfrika.

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Doubling up Potsdam

The Potsdam wastewater plant is receiving a R5,2 billion upgrade to double its capacity. The upgrade should be done by 2027, but operational trials will already commence the year before.

The upgraded plant will be capable of treating 100 million litres of wastewater per day compared to the current 47 million litres. Cutting-edge membrane technology will be added in stages to ensure top-standard wastewater treatment.

The Potsdam upgrade forms part of the City's plan to restore the health of the Milnerton lagoon. Pollution sources to the lagoon will be closed off over time, building up to the ultimate goal of dredging the waterbody to remove the sediment, which contains decades of pollution build-up.



Need a bigger Pot: The R5,2 billion upgrade of Potsdam wastewater works is the second-largest infrastructure project in the Western Cape. It will double the plant's treatment capacity to 100 million litres per day and is a key step in shutting off pollution sources to Milnerton lagoon.

Five 'green' stars for planned Bracken reserve centre

Historic buildings to be renovated into eco-friendly venue

The planned redevelopment of the visitor education centre at Bracken nature reserve has been awarded a five-star rating from the Green Building Council South Africa (GBCSA). Work on turning the historic buildings into a sustainable multipurpose community venue will start in October 2023 and is planned for completion in July 2025.

The redesigned centre will comprise an industrial-type steel portal frame, brick infill walls, and a facade that will combine face brick and plaster. It will increase the current building capacity of 20 visitors to 100.

Five-star features

The top-rated sustainability features of the centre include motion sensor-controlled LED lighting, glazing that takes advantage of natural daylight, and fresh-air ventilation systems. The facility will have a photovoltaic grid-tied system with two inverters, a solar geyser, rainwater harvesting, and a waste recycling system.

Other features include a blackwater treatment and harvesting system and water-efficient fittings on all taps.



Recycled water from the blackwater harvesting system will be used for toilet flushing, and urinals will be waterless. Weather-wise indigenous vegetation will be watered by winter rains, eliminating the need for irrigation. Water and energy consumption data will be displayed on screens to offer insight into the sustainability of the building.

Moreover, the centre will encourage alternative transport modes. Fuel-efficient vehicles will have preferential parking bays. Cyclists will have access to secure bicycle storage, showers and lockers.

These features support the City's goal for all new and existing municipal buildings to be net-zero carbon by 2030, as outlined in the Climate Change Action Plan.



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.

Let's get Blaauwberg corridor booming

The City is preparing a local spatial development framework (LSDF) for the Blaauwberg Road corridor in Table View. The LSDF will determine the development vision for the corridor and inform decisions about development applications and land uses.

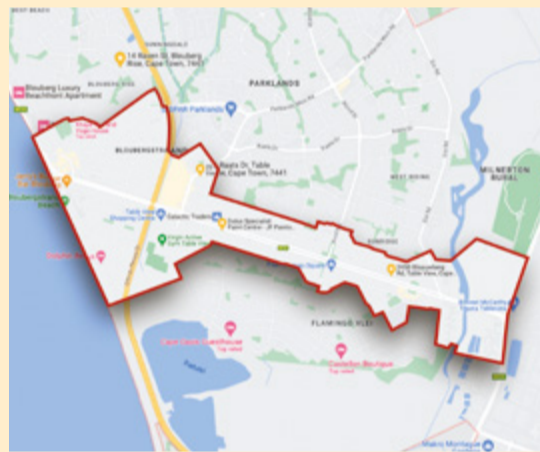
A discussion document has been made available for public comment until 8 October 2023. The document reviews the 1998 Blaauwberg Road Growth Management Strategy, provides information about the corridor, and proposes ways to address the area's current and future spatial development needs.

Blaauwberg Road, which covers approximately 5 km from Marine Circle in the west to the intersection with Koeberg Road in the east, is an

important transport route. Yet the corridor is underdeveloped in both scale and potential, and offers urban regeneration opportunities.

To access the discussion document

and submit your comments, go to <https://bit.ly/4550hp8>. Your opinion matters. Please help us determine how to meet Blaauwberg corridor's spatial development needs.



Help us plan your 'hood: The City invites the public to help draft a development plan for the Blaauwberg Road corridor in Table View, as indicated alongside. Start by commenting on the discussion document that has been made available for public comment. Submissions close on 8 October 2023.

New refuse days

To improve operational efficiency, the City has switched to the following new refuse collection schedule for Atlantis, Pella, Mamre, Duynfontein and Melkbosstrand.

Monday
Mamre (both beats)
Pella
Businesses
Tuesday
Atlantis (Sherwood Park)
Atlantis Industria
Atlantis (Saxonsea)
Wednesday
Robinvale and farms
Businesses
Atlantis (Protea Park)
Thursday
Melkbosstrand
Duynfontein
Friday
Businesses
Witsand
Atlantis (Avondale)

KORTLIKS

Die Potsdam-afvalwateraanleg ondergaan 'n opknapping van R5,2 miljard om sy kapasiteit te verdubbel. Die opknapping behoort teen 2027 klaar te wees, maar bedryfstoeise sal reeds in 2026 begin. Die verbeterde aanleg sal 100 miljoen liter afvalwater per dag teenoor die huidige 47 miljoen liter kan behandel.

Die beplande herontwikkeling van die besoekersentrum in Bracken-natuurreservaat het 'n vyfstergradering van die Groenbouraad van Suid-Afrika ontvang.

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

Die Stad stel tans 'n raamwerk vir die plaaslike ruimtelike ontwikkeling van die Blaauwbergweg-

korridor in Table View op. Die raamwerk sal die ontwikkelingsvisie vir die korridor bepaal en besluite oor ontwikkelingsaansoeke en grondgebruik rig.

Om bedryfsdoeltreffendheid te verbeter, het die Stad 'n nuwe vullisverwyderingsrooster vir Atlantis, Pella, Mamre, Duynfontein en Melkbosstrand ingestel.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Umzimveliso wamanzi amdaka wasePotsdam ufumana uphuculo lweebhiliyoni eziR5,2 ukuze uphindaphinde umthamo wawo. Uhlaziyo kufuneka lwenziwe ngo2027, kodwa iimvavanyo zokusebenza ziya kuba sele ziqale kunyaka ongaphambili. Lo mzimveliso uphuculiweyo uza kukwazi ukucoca i100 lezigidi leelitha zamanzi amdaka ngosuku xa kuthelekiswa neelitha ezingama47 ezigidi zangoku.

Uphuhliso ngokutsha olucetyiweyo lweziko lemfundo yabatyelile kwindawo yolondolozo lwendalo eBracken luwongelwe umgangatho weenkwenkwezi ezintlanu liBhunga leSakhiwo esiLuhlaza eMzantsi Afrika (iGBCSA).

Kutshanje iSixeko sithathe izithuthi ezingama219 zoLawulo lweNkunkuma yaseziDolophini ukuze zithathe iindawo yezinye izithuthi ezindala.

ISixeko silungiselela isikhokelo sophuhliso lwendawo (iLSDF) sepaseji yendlela iBlaauwberg eTable View. ILSDF iya kumisela umbono wophuhliso wepaseji kwaye inike ingcaciso malunga nezicelo zophuhliso kunye nokusetyenziswa komhlaba.

Ukuphucula ukusebenza kakuhle, iSixeko sithintshelwe kolu cwangciso lutsha lulandelayo lokuqokelelwa kwenkunkuma eAtlantis, ePella, eMamre, eDuynfontein naseMelkbosstrand.

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