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Single-phase meter gives access to Cash for Power



3Blinkwater babbling again



Getting Ottery and Hout Bay all piped up



Team effort to tidy up Disa river







It's a jungle out here: This young male hippo from Rondevlei in False Bay nature reserve is in need of a safe haven to escape the wrath of the family patriarch. See page 3.

EPWP a win-win for employment and environment

In the past four years, the City's Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) in Environmental Management has assisted over 14 500 unemployed Capetonians with short-term job opportunities. The recruits gain skills and much-needed income, while Mother Nature benefits from their care.



Sun sets on busy summer season: Summer 2023/24 was again a busy season at Cape Town's beaches and swimming pools, and hundreds of lifeguards and support staff pulled out all the stops to keep visitors safe. In addition to the hundreds of thousands of beachgoers, gate counts at some of the public swimming pools were very impressive: The pool in Sea Point recorded 102 463 visitors, Retreat 47 454, Newlands 47 143, and Long Street 43 451. Sadly, 14 fatal drownings and 30 non-fatal drownings occurred along the City-managed coastline between Silwerstroomstrand and Kogel Bay - all either outside designated bathing areas or during times when lifeguards were not on duty. Despite the massive crowds, lifeguards actively patrolled beaches and maintained safety at pools.

he Environmental Management
Department continues to be a key
implementer of the City's Expanded
Public Works Programme (EPWP). From
July 2023 to February 2024 alone, it created
well over 2 000 job opportunities through
various programmes. These include the
Kader Asmal, Carbon Smart skills development, conservation skills development as
well as the invasive species management
and river warden programmes.

EPWP recruits help rehabilitate ecological infrastructure and support operations at City nature reserves. Teams clear invasive species from reserves, biodiversity sites, waterbodies and

It pays to protect nature: Some of the recruits who have secured short-term job opportunities through Environmental Management's Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). Since 2019, more than 14 500 of these workers have had a chance to earn an income and improve their future employability, while helping the City to conserve and protect the environment.



catchment areas. They also maintain reserve firebreaks and see to it that solid waste is removed from vleis and wetlands. In addition, they are trained to educate their communities about the environment.

Their time with the City has also seen many of the EPWP workers move on to longer-term employment. This is thanks to the theoretical and on-the-job training they receive as part of the skills development component of the programme. Training is provided in fields such as project management and administration, quality control, data collection and management, as well as environmental awareness and stakeholder engagement.

Capetonians, protect your power!

The City recorded 223 incidents of vandalism of power infrastructure and illegal connections in the first quarter of 2024 at a cost of R6,26 million. The Area South and Mitchells Plain districts were the hardest hit.

In some instances, the destruction caused is so severe that entire circuits and grids need to be rebuilt. Moreover, due to escalating security risks, the City and its contractors can only attend to service requests when it is safe to do so. Where possible, teams are accompanied by City law enforcement or private security.

The City is exploring every option to combat vandalism, theft and illegal connections. Power up our efforts by reporting any such incidents to the emergency number 021 480 7700, the fraud hotline on 0800 1100 77, City law enforcement agencies or the South African police.



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KORTLIKS

'n Seekoeibulletjie van Rondevlei in Valsbaainatuurreservaat kort 'n veilige hawe om hom teen die woede van die familiepatriarg te beskerm.

Kaapstad se strande en swembaddens was weer behoorlik besig oor die somerseisoen, en honderde lewensredders en steunpersoneel het hard gewerk om duisende besoekers veilig te hou.

Die Stad se uitgebreide openbarewerkeprogram (EPWP) in die departement omgewingsbestuur het die afgelope vier jaar meer as 14 500 werklose Kapenaars met korttermynwerksgeleenthede bygestaan.

In die eerste kwartaal van 2024 was daar 223 voorvalle waar kraginfrastruktuur verniel of onwettige aansluitings gemaak is. Dít het die Stad R6,26 miljoen uit die sak gejaag. Area Suid en Mitchells Plain het veral erg deurgeloop.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Le mvubu eselula eyinkunzi yaseRondevlei eFalse Bay idinga indawo ekhuselekileyo yokubalekela, ibaleka inggumbo yezinye iinkabi zosapho.

Ihlobo lowama2023/24 ibilixesha elixakekileyo kumanxweme nakumaqula okuqubha aseKapa, yaye amakhulukhulu oonogada abakhusela ubomi nabasebenzi abancedisayo baye benza okusemandleni abo ukuze bagcine amawakawaka eendwendwe ekhuselekile.

Kule minyaka mine idluleyo, iNkqubo kaMasipala eXananazileyo yokuSebenza kwiSixeko (iEPWP) kuLawulo lokusiNgqongileyo iye yanceda abantu baseKapa abangaphangeliyo abaphezu kwe14 500 ngemisebenzi yesingxungxo.

ISixeko sinengxelo ngeziganeko ezingama223 zokonakaliswa kweziseko zophuhliso zombane noxokomezelo olungekho mthethweni kwikota yokuqala ka2024, nto leyo esidle iR6,26 miliyoni. Izithili zeArea South neMitchells Plain ziye zathwaxeka kanobom.





New meter less of a money eater

The City has started rolling out a single-phase meter to afford more residents access to the Cash for Power programme. With a price tag of just over R6 000 (including VAT), the new meter is roughly 40% cheaper than the three-phase option, the cost of which has been prohibitive to many wanting to sell their excess solar power to the City.

How to get the new meter

Meter applications are automated for those who have already submitted an application for small-scale embedded generation (SSEG). Alternatively, follow the process for service connections to apply for the new meter. To submit an SSEG application, enter "Apply for authorisation to install an embedded generation system" in the search box on the City's website.

Once the meter is installed, you will be able to export your excess energy to the grid and get money back in the form of a credit offset on your monthly City bill.

Keep in mind that:

- the single-phase AMI meter is not applicable to three-phase customers:
- customers are required to provide the necessary metering accommodations; and
- in some cases, customers may need to adjust their electrical supply installation.

Power to the City, cash to the people

Cape Town is the first South African metro to buy excess solar photovoltaic power from small-scale generators. In this way, businesses and households have already earned over R30,8 million since the start of the 2022/23 financial year.

In exchange for their excess solar power, the seller's total municipal bill is first credited automatically down to zero, with the option to apply to earn cash beyond a zero balance. The cash option has been available to businesses since June 2023 and was recently introduced for households as well. By April 2024, more than 1 500 sellers were already benefiting from the programme. About 60% are residential customers, and the rest are commercial or industrial.

For more information on Cash for Power and how to apply, search under "Apply to sell surplus SSEG electricity to the City" on the City's website.

Be part of our power(ful) plan

key part of our plan to protect Capetonians against load-shedding is to move away from a single state power utility towards a more reliable, flexible supply. To this end, the City is contracting with independent power producers for renewable energy, provided on demand. Part of that supply will come from thousands of households and businesses with spare rooftop solar power.

Our ground-breaking Cash for Power programme already does this – putting money back in the pockets of Capetonians with grid-tied solar systems, while easing the strain on our grid. Our 1 500 residential, commercial and industrial sellers have already earned R30,8 million in both municipal credit and cash for their surplus power.

A new, cheaper bidirectional meter – the device you'll need for selling power to the City – now makes it even easier for Capetonians to earn money as



A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

solar power providers. Thanks to the cheaper meter (costing 40% less than the previous one) and a new online portal to speed up applications, we expect the number of suppliers to grow rapidly.

Another part of the plan is to integrate

the City's energy systems. A third of Cape Town residents are served directly by Eskom. The City had been negotiating to take over these Eskom supply areas so that it can offer those residents the same load-shedding protection and service reliability that it offers its own customers. Unfortunately, Eskom has now withdrawn from these talks.

Not giving up, we have launched a petition where residents can show their support. Do consider signing it, as it is in everyone's interest that the whole of Cape Town is supplied more effectively by our excellent Electricity Generation and Distribution Department.

To find the petition, go to change. org.za and enter "City of Cape Town's takeover of Eskom supply area services" in the search bar. I hope I can count on your help to make Cape Town more energy-secure.

Geordin Hill-Lewis Cape Town Mayor

City plays 'matchmaker' for SMMEs

In May, 150 small, medium and micro-sized enterprises (SMMEs) pitched their services to prospective buyers in the first of four 'match-up' sessions hosted by the City's Smart Supplier programme. The sessions followed a series of workshops where the enterprises were taught how to address the daily challenges of accessing new markets and business opportunities.

Smart Supplier is an eight-month programme funded by the City and administered by Smart Procurement World. This year, the programme – already in its eighth edition – focuses on buyer-seller linkages and connecting small businesses with clients across the province, country and continent. Since its inception in 2016, 1 800 potential buyer linkages have been created for programme participants, resulting in business opportunities worth approximately R20 million.

Each match-up session focuses on clients in different industries. This first one saw SMMEs meet with buyers in aviation, construction, energy and mining.

For more information, email business.support@capetown.gov.za or dial 021 417 4043.

Old municipal debt? You could qualify for a write-off

Qualifying customers may apply for the write-off of arrear debt older than about three years, provided they enter into a payment agreement with the City for the remainder of their debt.

To qualify:

- Enter into a debt payment agreement for current debt.
- Debt older than three financial years will be considered as

 written off automatically
 A condition of this arrangement is that the debt that is written off will be reinstated if customers

default on their instalment plans.

You will need a copy of your identity document, proof of income, and a current City account that needs to be paid upfront, plus an additional sum towards the arrears (which the front office will determine based

on affordability). Also bring along three months' bank statements, and if unemployed, an affidavit to this effect. If the City account is in more than one person's name, a letter of consent will be required as well.

Visit our customer contact centres for assistance, contact the City call centre on 0860 103 089, or email Payment.Arrangements@capetown. gov.za.

Western Cape dam levels have dropped considerably

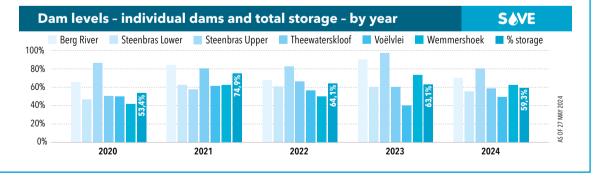
The dam levels for Cape Town have dropped to 59,3%. The City is aiming for an overall usage target of 650 million litres per day – which means Capetonians should try to use less than 105 litres per person per day.

Protect our water resources by following water-wise guidelines. Residents and businesses are reminded that the permanent regulations contained in the City's Water By-law still apply across Cape Town, regardless of the

restriction level.

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

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



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Die Stad stel nou 'n enkelfasemeter beskikbaar om méér inwoners toegang te bied tot die Cash for Power-program. Die nuwe meter kos net oor die R6 000 (BTW ingesluit) en is ongeveer 40% goedkoper as die driefaseweergawe.

KORTLIKS

Die Stad nooi inwoners om sy petisie te teken sodat die hele Kaapstad, ook huidige Eskomgebiede, deur die munisipaliteit se elektrisiteitsdepartement van krag voorsien kan word. Geïntegreerde kragvoorsiening is een van die maniere om die Moederstad meer beurtkragbestand te maak.

Altesaam 150 klein, medium- en mikro-ondernemings het in Mei hulle dienste aan voornemende kopers bemark by die eerste van vier skakelingsgeleenthede van die Stad se Smart Supplier-program.

Kwalifiserende Stadskliënte kan aansoek doen om munisipale skuld ouer as sowat drie jaar te laat afskryf, mits hulle 'n ooreenkoms met die Stad aangaan om die res van hulle skuld af te betaal.

Die damvlakke vir Kaapstad het tot 59,3% gedaal. Die Stad se mikpunt vir algehele waterverbruik is steeds 650 miljoen liter per dag – wat beteken dat Kapenaars minder as 105 liter per persoon per dag moet probeer gebruik.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko siye saqalisa ukukhupha iimitha zebakala lokuqala ukuze lincede abahlali abangakumbi ukuba bafikelele inkqubo yoMbane oHlawulelwayo. Njengoko ixabisa ngaphezulu nje kwiR6 000 (idibene neVAT), le mitha intsha itshiphu ngesithuba se40% kunemitha yebakala lesithathu.

ISixeko sihlaba ikhwelo kubahlali ukuba batyikitye uxwebhu lwaso olunoluhlu lwezicelo ukuze iKapa lilonke kuquka imimandla yakalokunje ebonelelwa ngombane ngabakwaEskom ukuba ifumane ubonelelo ngombane kwisebe lezombane likamasipala. Ubonelelo lombane ngokuhlangeneyo lolunye lweendlela zokwenza isixeko esingunozala ukuba sixhathise ngakumbi kucimicimi wombane. NgoMeyi, amashishini amancinane,

aphakathi nasakhasayo ali150 (iiSMMEs) aye anikezela ngeenkonzo zazo kwabo basenokuba ngabathengi babo kwinkqubo yokuqala kwezine 'zokhuphiswano' ebezisingathwe yinkqubo yabaNikezeli ngeeNkonzo yoMthengi oPhum' iZandla.

Abathengi abaphumeleleyo banokufaka isicelo sokucinyelwa ityala elimileyo elingaphezu kweminyaka emithathu, ngaphandle kokuba bangenela isivumelwano sentlawulo yetyala eliseleyo kunye neSixeko.

Umlinganiselo wamadama aseKapa uye wehla waya kutsho kwi59,3%. ISixeko sisazibekele usukelo lokusetyenziswa kweelitha ezingama650 miliyoni ngosuku – nto leyo ethetha ukuba umntu ngamnye waseKapa umele azame ukusebenzisa ngaphantsi kweelitha ezili105 ngosuku.





Spaanschemat river readied for winter: The City is making good progress with preventative flood maintenance ahead of the rainy season. In Constantia, a 5 km stretch of the Spaanschemat river is being cleared of litter. The section of river, from Silverhurst Drive to the M3 freeway, runs through both public and private land. In addition, outlets and silt traps are being cleared and alien invasive plants removed to expose stormwater infrastructure such as pipes, gabions and headwalls along the river. Much of the work has been done manually, but machinery is being used to dredge silt, ensuring a smoother flow of water. The project will conclude by the end of June.

Court okays Masiphumelele road

Back in 2017, the City applied for environmental approvals to extend Houmoed Avenue to provide residents from Masiphumelele, Hout Bay, with better access to Noordhoek and surrounds, while simultaneously affording law enforcement and emergency services a quicker means of entry.

Project's proceeding

Although Province granted the necessary approvals, they were subsequently appealed by the Noordhoek Environmental Action Group, which delayed the project. Now that the appeal has been dismissed, the City can proceed to extend Houmoed Avenue from the intersection with Buller Louw Boulevard up to Lekkerwater Road in Sunnydale, and from Lekkerwater Road to Fish Eagle Park in Masiphumelele.

... but with utmost care

The City has undertaken the required environmental impact assessment due to the presence of wetlands in the road reserve. This included specialist assessments of the wetlands ecosystem and of the impact of the proposed road extension on the local fauna and flora, including the western leopard toads. An environmental management programme will ensure that any impact is mitigated and that the remainder of the wetland is restored to its former condition.

Young Rondevlei hippo to get new home

A young male hippo from Rondevlei in False Bay nature reserve will be moved to a new home as a protective measure.

he Rondevlei section of False Bay nature reserve has been home to a pod of hippopotamus (Hippopotamus amphibius) since 1981.
A young male from this pod will now be relocated to protect him from the dominant male in the group.

Get me out of here!

The young hippo in question is the same one that trended on social media platforms when he escaped from Rondevlei in the early morning hours of 13 April 2024 to evade the dominant male. Once captured, he will be transported to his new home in a special container designed for this purpose.

Patriarch peeved

Hippo pods usually comprise 10 to 15 animals, including a dominant male, and females with calves. As the male calves come of age, they would naturally disperse to find their own territory. Impressively, Rondevlei's original dominant male is still around and does not take lightly to any threat to his authority. This is why older male offsprings need to be relocated as a protective measure.

Some hippo history

Initially roaming the Cape in large



Now Dido's their Valley: Eight Luyolo land claimants received their Breaking New Ground (BNG) homes in Dido Valley, Simon's Town, from the City. Once completed in 2026, the R170 million project will provide 100 housing opportunities for Luyolo restitution claimants and 500 for beneficiaries from Redhill informal settlement.

Playing fair

Housing beneficiaries are selected in a fair and transparent manner in accordance with the City's Housing Allocation Policy and housing needs register. This prevents queue jumping and ensures that housing goes to those who legally qualify. The City's political office bearers have no influence over the process. Report unlawful occupation to 021 480 7700. Anonymous tip-offs welcome.



Hipporah for a new home! A young male from the Rondevlei hippo pod will be captured and then relocated to his new home in a purpose-built container.

numbers, the hippos disappeared approximately 300 years ago after being hunted to extinction. In 1981, however, two males were reintroduced to Rondevlei. They were joined by two females in 1983. Since then, the animals have helped control the invasive seashore paspalum (*Paspalum vaginatum*), which poses a threat to the wetland habitats at Rondevlei

Hippos are classified as vulnerable to extinction. While South Africa's population is not regarded as threatened, habitat loss, poaching, human-wildlife conflict, climate change and unregulated trade do pose a risk. They are 'semi-aquatic': During the day, they keep to their wetland habitat, venturing out at night to graze. These large mammals can consume 25 to 40 kg of plant material a day.

Brainstorming baboon solutions

In June, the Cape Peninsula Baboon Management Joint Task Team (CPBMJTT) and residents from baboon-affected areas put their heads together to come up with area-based solutions to reduce human-baboon conflict.

The CPBMJTT consists of representatives from SANParks, CapeNature and the City. At the community meetings, the CPBMJTT presented information on the interventions to be implemented by these three authorities under their respective mandates. They also discussed details of the implementation of the Cape Peninsula Baboon Strategic Management Plan (CPBSMP), which serves as the framework for the sustainable management of the Cape Peninsula's chacma baboons.

To read the CPBSMP, go to https://bit.ly/3Qj2j1L.

Further meetings with scientists, researchers, NGOs and other stakeholders interested in the Cape Peninsula baboon population will be arranged.



Future-proofing the power grid: As part of its 2024/25 budget, the City has provided for an investment of over R4 billion in power grid upgrades and maintenance over three years. This will ensure that the grid can cope with a dynamic, decentralised energy future as Cape Town continues its work to become South Africa's first city to end load-shedding. The investment comes at a time of high levels of vandalism and theft of electricity infrastructure, as well as loadshedding damage. The aim is to make the infrastructure more resilient and reduce the scope for vandalism over time.





Ward 67 gets moving: As part of the City's Recreation and Parks fitness programme, residents in ward 67 gathered for a day of fitness and vitality, aimed at fostering an active lifestyle. Made possible through ward-allocated funding, the event saw 60 Capetonians aged between 18 and 80 take part in various fitness activities, including a fun walk to Zeekoevlei nature reserve.

Blinkwater ready for winter rains

The City has rehabilitated Camps Bay's Blinkwater stream after heavy rains in September 2023 left its concretelined channel severely damaged. Work was carried out on the stretch from the Little Glen nature reserve on Geneva Drive to the Theatre on The Bay on Link Street.

The storm event had also caused a sinkhole to form on Link Street next to the theatre, which was repaired along with other affected municipal infrastructure in a separate project earlier this year.

The Blinkwater stream originates in Table Mountain. Several tributary streams converge at Hely Hutchinson Avenue before forming a single stream that flows down to Camps Bay beach, next to the tidal pool. Because of its multiple tributary sources in the mountain, the 1,46 km stream experiences significant flow in winter.



No more 'bo blink, onder stink': The City has repaired the storm-damaged concrete-lined channel of the Blinkwater stream in Camps Bay, in time for the winter rains. The team who showed the stream some love included (from left) Ray Goliath, Brita Magan, Jody Fortuin, Wilfred Josephs, Ndoda Nkebe and Siyabulela Mabandla.

KORTLIKS

Die Stad vorder fluks met voorkomende vloedinstandhouding voor die reënseisoen.
Ongeveer 5 km van die Spaanschematrivier in Constantia word onder meer opgeruim.

'n Seekoeibulletjie van Rondevlei in Valsbaainatuurreservaat sal as 'n voorsorgmaatreël na 'n nuwe tuiste verskuif word.

As deel van die fiksheidsprogram van die Stad se departement ontspanning en parke, het inwoners van wyk 67 aan 'n dag van fisiese aktiwiteit deelgeneem. Die doel was om 'n aktiewe leefstyl te bevorder.

Die Stad het in 2017 om omgewingsgoedkeuring aansoek gedoen om Houmoedlaan te verleng sodat Masiphumelele-inwoners beter toegang tot Noordhoek en omgewing kan hê en wetstoepassingsen nooddienste ook makliker kan deurkom. Die Noordhoek-omgewingsdrukgroep het daarteen geappelleer, wat die projek vertraag het. Noudat die appèl van die hand gewys is, kan die Stad voortgaan.

Die gesamentlike taakgroep vir bobbejaanbestuur in die Kaapse Skiereiland en inwoners van gebiede waar bobbejane voorkom, het koppe bymekaargesit om vorendag te kom met gebiedsgegronde oplossings om konflik tussen Kapenaars en die bobbejane te verminder.

As deel van die begroting vir 2024/25, het die Stad voorsiening gemaak vir 'n belegging van meer as R4 miljard in kragnetwerkopknappings en -instandhouding vir die volgende drie jaar.

Die Stad het die Blinkwaterstroom in Kampsbaai gerehabiliteer nadat swaar reën in September 2023 die betonlaag onder in die kanaal ernstig beskadig het.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko senza inkqubela entle ngolondolozo lothintelo lwezikhukhula phambi kwexesha lemvula. EConstantia umgama ozikhilomitha ezi5 zomlambo iSpaanschemat ucocwa inkunkuma.

Imvubu encinane eyinkunzi yaseRondevlei kwindawo yolondolozo lwendalo yaseFalse Bay iya kufuduselwa kwikhaya elitsha njengenyathelo lokuyikhusela.

Njengenxalenye yenkqubo yeSixeko yoLonwabo neePaki engokulolonga umzimba, abahlali beWadi 67 bahlanganisene kusuku lokulolonga umzimba kunye namandla, ngenjongo yokukhuthaza indlela yokuphila edlamkileyo.

Emva ngo2017, iSixeko safaka isicelo semvume yokusingqongileyo sokwandisa iHoumoed Avenue ukuze ibonelele abahlali baseMasiphumelele ngendlela engcono yokungena eNoordhoek nakwimimandla eyingqongileyo, kunye nokunika iinkonzo zonyanzeliso omthetho kunye neenkonzo zikaxakeka indlela yokungena ngokukhawuleza.

IQela lokuSebenza ngokusiNgqongileyo laseNoordhoek liye lenza isibheno kulwamkelo oluyimfuneko emva koko nto leyo eyathi yalibazisa iprojekthi. Njengokuba ngoku isibheno sichithiwe, iSixeko singaqhuba.

Ngenyanga yeSilimela, iQela eliSebenzayo loLawulo lweMfene kuSingasiqithi weKapa (iCPBMJTT) kunye nabahlali abasuka kwiindawo ezichatshazelwe ziimfene badibanisa iintloko zabo ukuze beze nezisombululo ezisekelwe kwindawo zokunciphisa ungquzulwano lwabantu neemfene.

Njengenxalenye yohlahlolwabiwo mali lwaso luka2024/2025, iSixeko silungiselele utyalomali olungaphezu kweR4 yeebhiliyoni zeerandi kuphuculo nokugcinwa kweentambo zothungelwano zombane iminyaka emithathu.

ISixeko siwulungisile umjelo waseCamps Bay iBlinkwater emva kweemvula ezinamandla kweyoMsintsi ka2023 zashiya umjelo waso owenziwe nqekhonkrithi wonakaliswe kakhulu.





Hout Bay collab cleans Disa river

The Hout Bay Rivers Catchment Forum (HBRCF) was initiated by the City in 2016, bringing together stakeholders from various City departments, local residents and businesses to improve the Disa river catchment area.

Tons of hard work

Four locals employed by the Forum collect 1 400 kg of waste from the catchment area every month.

Total waste removed to date recently passed the 20-ton mark. The waste is sorted into recyclables and non-recyclables, and dropped off at the local solid waste depot. The HBRCF serves as the City's eyes and ears on the ground, monitoring the river for any signs of pollution. These are then attended to by logging service requests with the administration.

PASAP, the Forum's watching

In addition, the City invested R2 million in a research study performed along with the Forum from 2021 to 2023 to investigate the sources of river pollution. This culminated in the Hout Bay Pollution Abatement Strategy and Action Plan (PASAP), comprising interventions to improve the quality of the catchment in the short, medium and long term.

Gaining ground

Short-term interventions that have already proven successful include:

- stormwater-to-sewer low-flow diversion;
- modifications to a stormwater detention pond;
- improvements to a main stormwater-to-sewer low-flow diversion pump station; and
- security measures at key infrastructure such as pump stations control boards and telemetry systems.

New pipes for Ottery and Hout Bay

Continuously working on a water-resilient future for Cape Town, the City is busy with numerous scheduled water pipe replacements across the metro.

ipe replacement forms an important part of the City's proactive approach to maintain the ageing reticulation network across town. Projects in Area South include those in Ottery and Hout Bay.

Keeping it on in Ottery ...

In Ottery, R1,7 million will be spent over the next couple of months to replace 425 m of water pipes. This will ensure a dependable water supply for residents. To avoid unnecessary supply interruptions, the new pipes are being laid parallel to the old ones. The only service interruptions will be during testing and the final transition from the old to the new pipes. Residents will be notified accordingly.

... and cracking on in Hout Bay
Over in Hout Bay, the City is replacing

Over in Hout Bay, the City is replacing over 3 300 m of fibre-cement pipes along Baviaanskloof Road, Campbell Street



and Scottsville Circle, using advanced trenchless pipe-cracking technology. The first phase in 2023 covered 1 900 m of pipes, and the second phase of 1 449 m should be done by June 2024.

Trenchless pipe-cracking involves inserting a bursting head, which is then hydraulically pulled through the existing fibre-cement pipe, breaking it apart. At the same time, a new high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe is pulled behind the bursting head to replace the old pipe. The method is more cost-effective, less disruptive and quicker than the conventional open-trench method.

In with the new, NOT out with the old: Work under way at the Ottery water pipe replacement project, where 425 m of new pipes are being laid parallel to the old ones to upgrade the network without unnecessary service interruptions.



Roadworks rundown

In Rondebosch, Park Road was resurfaced, and a left-turn lane was constructed at the intersection with Campground Road. Kerb and paving work on the section that runs past Rustenburg Girls High now ensures improved traffic flow and less congestion during school-run hours.

Stamen, Rankie, Nectar and Daisy Hill roads, half of Stingle Road, Felcia and Gazania streets as well as Julius Crescent in **Steenberg** were resurfaced.

In **Lotus River**, roadworks along 5th Avenue, from Zeekoe to Strandfontein Road, were completed, and in **Grassy Park**, Victoria Road, from 5th Avenue to Klip Road, was resurfaced.

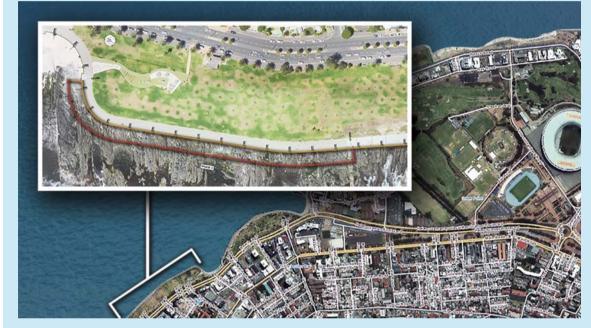
Stabilisation of the failing granite slope in Victoria Road, **Clifton**, which posed a risk to road users and neighbouring properties, started in April and should be done by the end of June.

In **Sea Point**, Victoria Road, from Queens Road to Mount Pleasant Steps, was resurfaced and the existing pavement rehabilitated.

Cape Town governance 'gooder' than the rest

Cape Town has come out tops in the 2024 edition of Good Governance Africa's Governance Performance Index. The index ranks South Africa's metro, local and district municipalities across the five good governance indicators of administration and governance, economic development, leadership and management, planning, monitoring and evaluation, and service delivery.

The City is ranked first for service delivery and economic development. Cape Town also maintains the lowest broad unemployment rate in the country.



Making the wall whole again: Maintenance is being carried out on a 260 m stretch of the Sea Point seawall between Rocklands beach and Norfolk Road (shown on the aerial images above) to repair deterioration on the wall face. The contractor aims to finish the work by the end of June.

KORTLIKS

Die Stad het in 2016 die forum vir Houtbaairiviertoeloopgebiede tot stand gebring. Dit bestaan uit rolspelers uit verskillende Stadsdepartemente, plaaslike inwoners en sakeondernemings, wat almal saamwerk om die Disarivier-toeloopgebied te verbeter. Die forum het vier plaaslike inwoners in diens, wat elke maand 1 400 kg afval uit die toeloopgebied verwyder. Sedert aanvang het hulle nou al van meer as 20 ton vullis ontslae geraak.

Pypvervangings is 'n belangrike komponent van die Stad se proaktiewe benadering om die ál hoe ouer pypnetwerk deur die hele metro in stand te hou. Projekte in Area Suid sluit dié in Ottery en Houtbaai in.

In Rondebosch het Parkweg 'n nuwe blad gekry en is 'n linksdraaibaan by die kruising met

Campgroundweg gebou. In Lotusrivier is padwerk in 5de Laan, van Zeekoe- tot Strandfonteinweg, voltooi, en Victoriaweg in Grassy Park spog nou met 'n nuwe blad van 5de Laan tot by Klipweg. Stabilisering van die wankelrige graniethelling in Victoriaweg, Clifton, behoort teen die einde van Junie klaar te wees. In Seepunt is die blad in Victoriaweg, van Queensweg tot by Mount Pleasant Steps, vernuwe, en die bestaande plaveisel is ook gerehabiliteer.

Instandhouding aan 'n stuk van die Seepuntseemuur tussen Rocklands-strand en Norfolkweg (sowat 260 m – sien die lugfoto's hier bo) is aan die gang om verwering te herstel.

Kaapstad kraai koning in vanjaar se uitgawe van Good Governance Africa se indeks van plaaslikeregeringsprestasie.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

IQonga leeNgxoxo leMilambo laseHout Bay (iHBRCF) laqalwa siSixeko ngo2016, lidibanisa abachaphazelekayo abasuka kumasebe ahlukeneyo eSixeko, abahlali basekuhlaleni kunye namashishini ukuze kuphuculwe indawo yokugcina amanzi iDisa. Abahlali abane abaqeshwe liQonga leeNgxoxo baqokelela i1 400 kg lenkunkuma rhoqo ngenyanga kwindawo eqokelela amanzi. Ukuza kuthi ga ngoku inkunkuma eqokelelweyo kutshanje idlule kumda weetoni

Ukutshintshwa kwemibhobho yinxalenye ebalulekileyo yenkqubo yeSixeko yokugcina uthungelwano lwemibhobho egugileyo kwidolophu iphela. Iiprojekthi ezikuMmandla woMzantsi zibandakanya ezo ziseOttery naseHout Bay.

ERondebosch, iPark Road yavulwa ngokutsha, kwaye umgaqo wokujika wasekhohlo wakhiwa kwindawo ekudibanela kuyo iCampground Road. ELotus River, ukwakhiwa kweendlela ecaleni komgaqo i5th Avenue, ukusuka eZeekoe ukuya eStrandfontein Road, kwagqitywa, kwaye eGrassy Park, eVictoria Road, ukusuka e5th Avenue ukuya eKlip Road, yaphinda yavuselelwa. Ukuzinziswa kwethambeka legrayinathi elisilelayo eVictoria Road, eClifton, kufuneka kwenziwe ekupheleni kweyeSilimela. ESea Point, eVictoria Road, ukusuka eQueens Road ukuya eMount Pleasant Steps, iye yavuselelwa yaza nendlela ekhoyo yalungiswa.

Ulondolozo lwenziwa kumgama ongama260 eemitha kudonga lolwandle lweSea Point phakathi konxweme iRocklands nendlela iNorfolk Road (eboniswe kwimifanekiso yasemoyeni engasentla) ukulungisa ukuwohloka kobuso bedonga.

IKapa liphume phambili kuhlelo luka2024 lwesalathiso sokuSebenza koLawulo oluLungileyo lwaseAfrika.

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