

AREA BASED SERVICE DELIVERY (NORTH): AREA 1 SUBCOUNCILS

ALDERMAN BRIAN WATKYNS

SUBCOUNCIL 15

Chairperson & Ward Councillor

T: +27 21 444-9798 F: +27 21 444-9811
E: <u>bwatkyns@icon.co.za</u>
<u>brian.watkyns@capetown.gov.za</u>
C: 083 4444 807

SUBCOUNCIL 15

18 OCTOBER 2017

SPEECH BY THE SUBCOUNCIL 15 CHAIRPERSON, ALDERMAN BRIAN WATKYNS

Firstly, I would like to thank my fellow colleagues and Subcouncil staff for your condolences, flowers and cards with the passing on of my mother, it really made me, as well as my family feel supported. Thank you for giving me the space to deal with the sad and challenging time.

CITY'S DISASTER PLAN FOR DROUGHT AND WATER CRISIS

With Phase 1 now implemented, note that some areas will be affected by temporary water disruptions, however, services will be restored as soon as possible. Most disruptions are likely to occur during peak water usage times in the mornings and evenings. You are advised to store up to 5L of municipal water for essential usage. Please do not store an excess amount of municipal water.

Let's lead by example at our homes to bring consumption down to. 87L a day per household. Let's make every drop count.

WARD 53

Earlier this month, I attended a highly controversial Planning Tribunal Meeting pertaining to Forest Drive Extension, i.e. Conradie and Mupine both Housing Developments earmarked for Pinelands. The development was approved but I managed to get the tribunal to add the building of two schools as a condition of approval. The Old Mutual hearing was held over to this morning.

Last night, as part of capacity building, Ward 53 Committee Members and I visited the City Transport Management Centre in Goodwood to be orientated and to understand how the 3 arms operate in terms of LEO, Traffic and Metro Police. The visit to the centre will assist them Ward Committee Members and members of respective sectors how all the operations fits together in terms of Neighbour Watch,

PINELANDS TRAINING CENTRE ST. STEPHENS ROAD, CENTRAL SQUARE, PINELANDS, 7405 www.capetown.gov.za CCTV, the role of SAPS and private security companies. Thank you to all involved with the arranging and to be part of this insightful occasion.

KENSINGTON

There's been a surge in shootings in Kensington. Residents have taken to social media on to express fear and anxiety amid the sound of gunfire.

The forum held a picket with 50 residents along Voortrekker Road in September calling for an end to gang violence and additional police resources

NEW LIQUOR LICENCE REGULATIONS

Successful joint Ward Committee Meetings for Wards 51, 52, 55 & 56 wrt the new Liquor Licence regulations were held last month, which came into effect on 1 July 2017. The capacity building sessions were facilitated by Alderman Taki Amira and an official from the WCLA respectively. After the presentation, followed by lengthy discussions, the Ward Committee Members were enlightening of how the new process was to roll out.

On this note there were an unprecedented number of complaints regarding noise pollution from the Rocktoberfest in Marakana Square on Saturday 7th October. I met with Senior Officials from the event departments which highlighted a lack of coordination between the various departments involved. There was an incident at midnight which caused SAPS and Law Enforcement to close down the event but for some reason the noise pollution continued unabated. The Premier has now been involved and the Liquor Tribunal is looking into sale of alcohol at events. It is also unclear which official under delegated authority gave permission to be sold.

EVENT / TEMPORARY LIQUUR LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Ward Committee Members requested that all temporary and event liquor licences be submitted to the CBO's and interested groups for comment and that the Ward Councillor, Subcouncil Manager and Subcouncil Chairperson consider these comments before making a recommendation to the Western Cape Liquor Authority.

Ward Councillors, I have to emphasised that with the new process you will receive an email from Liqour.Licence@capetown.gov.za with the subject line Section 48(1) Temporary / Event Liqour Licence, please do not respond to that email, the actual application will resent to you from Subcouncil.15@capetown.gov.za of which you will have according to the Act have stringent timeframes of 3 days to respond to the email in order for the Subcouncil Chairperson, Subcouncil Manager & Ward Councillor to exercise a sub-delegation after receiving all comments.

<u>CITY AND WESTERN CAPE GOVERNMENT SIGN AGREEMENT TO BOLSTER</u> NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHES

On 30 September 2017 the City of Cape Town and the Western Cape Department of Community Safety signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU), committing to support, accredited neighbourhood watches. The MOU recognises the organisations as capable partners in the fight again crime.

The agreement reached between the two spheres of government aims to see coordinated and complementary support under a legal framework created for neighbourhood watch structures with the WC Community Safety Act.

Safety is everyone's responsibility and the volunteers who are part of watches are crucial to making our communities safer. With great excitement I can report that the Thornton Neighbourhood Watch was recently accredited in the Provincial Gazette.

CITY MOVES TO PUT ECD'S AT THE TOP OF THE CLASS

The City's Social Development and Childhood Development Department is collaborating with the Western Cape Department of Social Development with an annual ECD registration drive city-wide. Facilities are required to register with the provincial department, but full registration hinges on a number of factors, including the City's land use regulations.

ODTP ROADSHOWS

The new ODTP is progressing as planned and several roadshows were held recently The next roadshow will be held in Ward 55 (Bayview Hall) on Thursday, 19 October 2017.

MYCITI-BUS FREE TICKETS

MyCiti-bus free tickets are to be made available to EPWP-Workers (unemployed & youth) to enable them to go to work places of interviews etc. These tickets will be available at various libraries throughout the City and will be issued during 09hh00-10h00 and 14h00-15h00 respectively. Two interns have been identified and training in this regard will commence on 23 October 2017 before it will implemented.

LANGA

There are a number of issues in Langa which are unresolved despite various interventions. The procedure to access the outside office at the Langa Housing Office complex for community leaders after hours was also discussed

THE PINELANDS MUNICIPAL BUILDING

SECURITY

Lastly, I would like to report that we still have challenges with the 24hr security at our facility, (although we have palisade fencing, locked gates, etc.), however, the cooperation and communication barriers have improved and we have noticed that theft out of motor vehicles and of motor vehicles have decreased mainly due to the visibility of the 24 hour security and our law enforcement officers doing regular patrols in and around the parking area.

RENOVATIONS

In closing I want to thank the staff of Subcouncil 15 after years of struggling, finally the renovations for Subcouncil 15's own kitchenette and a carport for staff's private vehicles and the council vehicle have been approved and are being finalised before going into the implementation phase. Well done for your persistence and patience in this regard. 10 months after moving in my office is to be repainted tomorrow but I am still waiting for my air-conditioner.

BIRTHDAYS

We extend our best wishes to Zozuko Mxolose, (intern) and Catherine Boks-Klein (Ward Assistant) who celebrated their birthdays on 1 & 3 October respectively.

I thank you

ALDERMAN BRIAN WATKYNS