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1 INTRODUCTION

NCC Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd (NCC) was appointed on 1 October 2020 as the service provider for the City of Cape Town's Urban Baboon Programme (UBP) on a three-year contract. NCC are contracted to prevent baboon troops from entering the urban area for at least 90% of daylight hours to minimise human-baboon conflicts.

2 SOUTHERN SUBPOPULATION

2.1 DA GAMA TROOP (DG)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The DG Troop spent 95.3% of the time out of the urban area.
- Individual baboons spent 94.5% of the time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop moved through the residential area Da Gama Park, Misty Cliffs and Welcome Glen where they accessed bins.
- The troop spent the month utilising roosting sites both in the vicinity of Da Gama Park, 2nd Avenue as well as those on the mountain. The troop utilised the Misty Cliffs roosting side on a few occasions resulting in individual baboons visiting Misty Cliffs.
- On one occasion, DG19 and an adult female went to Scarborough where they interacted with the small group of female baboons living near Scarborough. The following day, DG19 returned to the troop but the female remained in Scarborough area with this small group of baboons.

2.2 GROOT OLIFANTSBOS TROOP (GOB)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The GOB Troop spent 100% of the time out of the urban area.
- Individual baboons spent an unknown amount of time in the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop moved in and out of the Cape of Good Hope section (CoGH) of the Table Mountain National Park (TMNP) during the month.
- The troop has spent most of their time in the southern and eastern sections of their ranging area.
- The same two adult females and juvenile male that arrived in Scarborough in late July remained in Scarborough and to a lesser degree Misty Cliffs this month. We received reports alerting us to their increasing attempts to access food from people, often in an assertive

manner. As the month continued, the Village Hub and Camel Rock restaurants became a hotspot for the individuals.

- On 20 September 2022, a third adult female baboon was spotted with the three individuals and has remained with them. These individuals moved independently from the troop without field rangers were assigned to them and thus individual time in town for this month is unknown.

2.3 SLANGKOP TROOP (SK)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The SK Troop spent 84.5% of the time out of the urban area.
- Individual baboons spent 88.2% of the time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop largely moved throughout the eastern and western portions of their ranging area.
- While in the Kommetjie area, they accessed several houses and bins. On 9 September 2022, the troop was successfully encouraged out of Kommetjie back to the Rooikrans mountain area.
- Once back in this area, they accessed houses and bins in the Capri area on a few occasions.

2.4 SMITSWINKEL BAY TROOP (SWB)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The SWB Troop spent 85.5% of the time out of the urban area.
- Individual baboons spent 97.5% of the time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- WF8 has continued to move north towards and into Simon's Town, encouraging the movement of the troop in this direction. As a result, the troop spent time in Simon's Town and Seaforth. While in this area WF8 accessed an occupied house, the troop and individuals accessed bins, and the troop occasionally roosted at the Simon's Town quarry.
- The troop moved into Jubilee Square and some individuals entered the West Yard. This is the furthest north the troop has moved to date.

2.5 WATERFALL TROOP (WF)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The WF Troop spent 92.5% of the time out of the urban area.
- Individual baboons spent 95.4% of the time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- Inadequate waste management at SA Naval facilities continues to be a key factor attracting the troop to the urban area of Simon's Town. The time spent on SA Navy property remains high which facilitated the movement of the troop and/or individuals into Simon's Town.
- Poor waste management at the Waterfall Barracks continues to encourage the baboons to roost on the ladies' flats roof and subsequently facilitates the troop's movement deeper into the urban space.
- There are several SA Navy facilities within the suburb of Simon's Town. These act as human-derived feeding hubs within the built area. These hubs are dispersed across the urban area, facilitating easy baboon movement between the Naval facilities and the urban space.
- WF9 continued to lead the troop and/or a group of individuals into the urban space and accessed an occupied house.

3 NORTHERN SUBPOPULATION

3.1 CONSTANTIA ONE TROOP (CT1)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The CT1 Troop spent 94.3% of time out of the urban area.
- Individuals spent 98.2% of time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop spent considerably less time in the urban space this month. This was largely due to the troop spending more time on the wine farms and on the mountains above them.
- The troop did not cross Constantia Nek this month.
- In response to continued pressure from the wine farms, the troop was encouraged towards the Tokai area. They remained around Porter Estate for two days before being encouraged back towards Price Drive by wine farm staff.
- The troop roosted the majority of the month above the wine farms and in Price Drive stream.

3.2 MOUNTAIN ONE TROOP (MT1)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The MT1 Troop spent 100% of time out of the urban area.
- Individuals spent 100% of time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop has been spending more time around Porter Estate and areas south of Buitenverwachting. The troop roosted above Porter Estate on a few occasions this month.

3.3 MOUNTAIN TWO TROOP (MT2)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The MT2 Troop spent 93.3% of time out of the urban area.
- Individuals spent 100% of time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- The troop roosted above The Range for the entire month.
- The troop crossed Orpen Road and moved to the Cape Academy and Nova Constantia on several occasions.
- The troop continues to enter Constantia Uitsig on a regular basis.

3.4 TOKAI TROOP (TK)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The TK Troop spent 100% of time out of the urban area.
- Individuals spent 86.9% of time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- Individuals accessed food from tables at the Tokai Picnic area on one occasion.
- Forest Glade Centre and the surrounding area was visited by baboons on numerous occasions. Bins were accessed at the centre due to the bin storage cage being unlocked on various occasions.

3.5 ZWAANSWYK TROOP (ZW)

TIME OUT OF TOWN

- The ZW Troop spent 100% of time out of the urban area.
- Individuals spent 100% of time out of the urban area.

FACTORS THAT IMPACTED MANAGEMENT

- Same factors as for the Tokai Troop due to overlap of their ranging areas.
- Individuals accessed food from tables at the Tokai Picnic area on one occasion.

4 MONTHLY GENERAL PROGRAMME SUMMARY

4.1 OVERALL TIME OUT OF TOWN

The troops overall spent 95.2% of time out of the urban area this month (**Fig. 1**). The Slangkop and Smitswinkel Bay troops did not reach 90% this month. Factors which impacted the management of these troops can be found in their above respective summary. Overall individual time out of town was 95.6%, however individuals from the Slangkop and Tokai troops did not reach 90%.

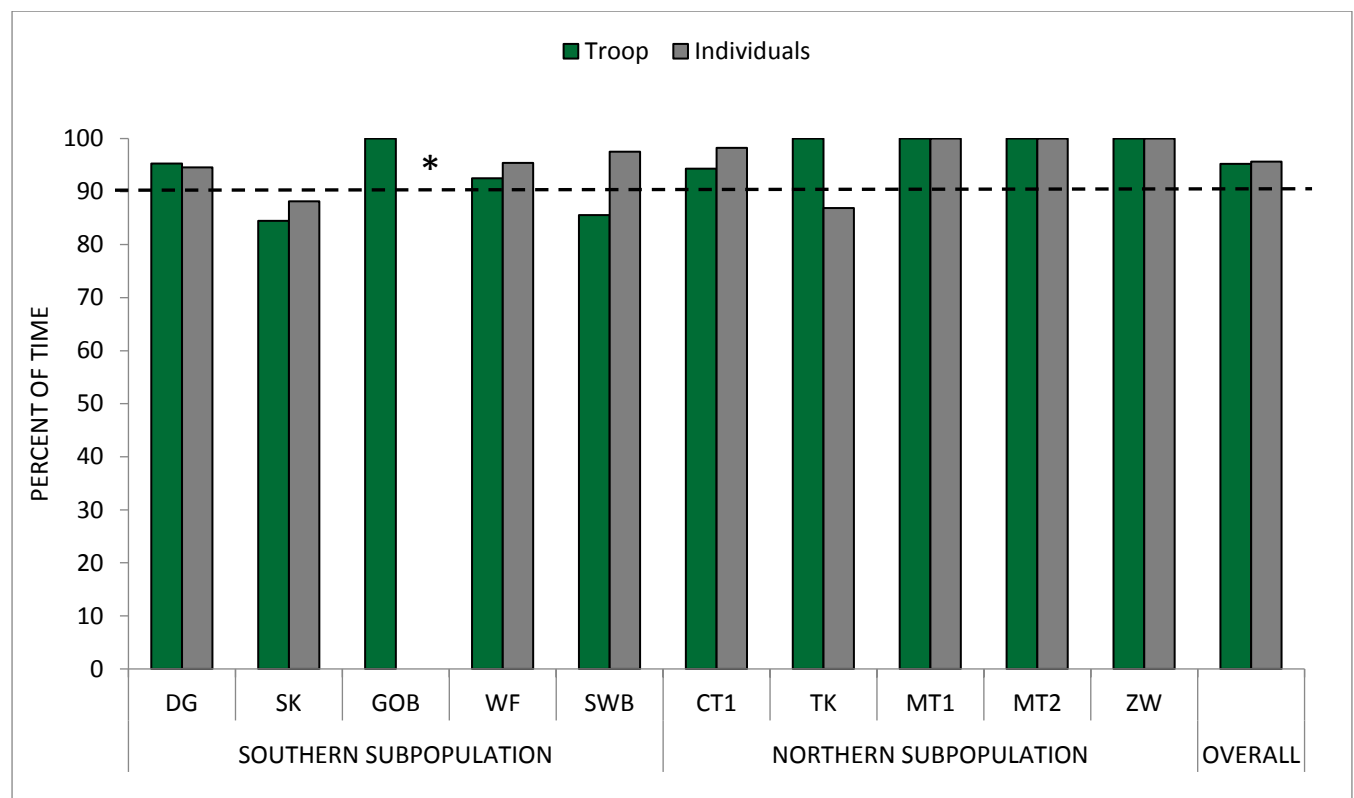


Figure 1. Percent of time out of town calculated for each troop and troop individuals for the month of September 2022. The full name of each troop can be found in the prior section. The percent of time out of town is calculated using the same method as the previous service provider, based on an average of 10.7 daylight hours per day per month. *Time in town for GOB individuals was unknown this month.

4.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Site visits, stakeholder liaison, and community engagement, including education initiatives, took place this month as follows.

SITE VISITS

Private properties in Constantia, Misty Cliffs, Da Gama, Kommetjie, Simon's Town, Scarborough, and Ocean View:

- Engaged with residents whose homes had been accessed by baboons and advised them on how to mitigate the likelihood of future incursions.
- Assessed individual properties at the owners' request to recommend measures to prevent or reduce baboon visits and mitigate property damage.
- Notified residents of the need to remove or secure fruiting trees and vegetable gardens in baboon ranging areas.
- Advised residents on the appropriate reactive behaviour when faced with a baboon on their property.
- Informed residents of how to mitigate property damage by baboon-proofing and modifying or strengthening existing infrastructure.
- Answered queries and provided information regarding baboon-proof electric fences with individual residents from Kommetjie, Scarborough, and Simon's Town.
- Engaged with residents about the challenges of managing baboons in the urban environment and discussed how community members can assist.
- Assessed individual properties at the owners' request to recommend measures to prevent or reduce baboon visits and mitigate property damage.

Alleged paintball marker and pellet gun use by members of the public – Followed up on reports of paintball marker and pellet gun use against baboons. Residents were advised of the legal ramifications of their actions under the Animals Protection Act No 71 of 1962 and the Nature Conservation Ordinance No 19 of 1974. Witnesses were also guided on how to directly report the alleged illegal activity to CapeNature, SAPS or the SPCA to increase the chances of a conviction.

Baboon and dog altercations – Engaged with a resident whose dog had been involved in an altercation with baboons to ascertain the events that led up to the incident and to provide advice to reduce the chance of future altercations.

Cape Academy, Constantia – Site visit to assess the presence of baboon attractants at the property. The refuse bins for the academy were stored securely but baboons had gained access to several refuse bins in the staff quarters. The residents were offered advice on how to prevent this from happening going forward (**Fig. 2**).

Chrysalis Academy, Tokai – Food and waste-based attractants were stored securely through the property. A security gate has also been fitted to the door of the tailor's workshop. This will further assist in preventing baboon incursions (**Fig. 3**).

Chrysalis Academy Stables, Tokai – Visit to check in with the staff to enquire if they had experienced any recent issues with the baboons and to check that horse feed was being stored correctly. All was in order.

Tokai Road Stables, Tokai – Site visit to speak to the grooms and ensure that the baboons had not gained access to the feed room recently. Earlier repairs to the feed storage room have alleviated this issue.



Figure 2. Waste bins accessed by baboons at Cape Academy.



Figure 3. Additional baboon-proofing measures at Chrysalis Academy.

Firgrove Way, Constantia – Site visit to assess the green bins which are serving as baboon attractants outside Cape Academy. The City has been made aware of the issue and will ensure that the bins are replaced with a more suitable design as soon as possible (**Fig. 4**).

Forest Glade, Retail Centre, Tokai – Extensive engagement with the staff and landlord at the retail centre. The waste cage is serving as a significant attractant and needs to be modified to prevent baboons from gaining access to the waste. Detailed instructions on how to modify the cage have been provided to the landlord for his action (**Fig. 5**).



Figure 4. Public bins that require replacement at Firgrove Way.



Figure 5. Waste cage at Forest Glade Retail Centre.

Tokai Picnic Site, Tokai – Site visit carried out to check for baboon attractants. The site was clean and tidy. The electric fence has been broken for some time. Good maintenance of this fence would help to prevent conflict between visitors to the picnic site and the baboons. This has been highlighted to the relevant section ranger, but it has not been acknowledged as a priority (**Fig. 6**).

Cape Research Centre, Tokai – All waste was stored securely.

Steenberg Green, Tokai – Visit to speak with the manager about baboon-proofing at the estate and current points of access for baboons. Trees along the outside perimeter are serving as the main entry points. Mitigation measures were suggested. Management staff were also encouraged to join an early warning / alert group with the neighbouring estates of Zwaanswyk and Steenberg Estate so that they can notify each other when baboons are in the area (**Fig. 7**).

Zwaanswyk Estate, Tokai – Site visit to assess current access points for baboons. Residents, security personnel and ZAPO representatives were opportunistically engaged with during the visit. Possible solutions include the extension of the electric fence and/or pruning of trees. Liaison is ongoing.

Ski Boat Club, Simon's Town – Site visit carried out to check waste compliance. All was in order.



Figure 6. Broken electric fencing at Tokai Picnic site.



Figure 7. Large tree overhanging the electric fence at Steenberg Green.

Ski Boat Club, Simon's Town – Site visit carried out to check waste compliance. All was in order.

Millers Point Picnic Site and Slipway, Millers Point – The site was clean and tidy and no significant baboon attractants were noted at the time of the visits.

Black Marlin Restaurant, Millers Point - Site visit conducted to advise on baboon-proofing and schedule baboon behaviour training dates for restaurant staff.

Camel Rock Restaurant, Scarborough – Visit to speak with the manager about their recent experiences with baboons and what measures can be taken to help reduce conflict.

The Village Hub, Scarborough – Liaison with the owner and staff to talk about baboon visits to the property. Ways to mitigate conflict and reduce available attractants for baboons were discussed. A few of the suggested measures will be implemented in the short-term.

SA Navy, Maritime Reaction Unit and Transport Depot, Da Gama Road – Site visit to speak to staff about an increase in baboon visits to both properties. Attractants were identified for mitigation.

SA Navy, Job Maseko Barracks, Simon's Town – Waste management has improved significantly. The majority of the waste bins are now being stored inside the main building to prevent baboons and other wildlife from accessing the waste. A need for educational signage was identified and will be actioned.

SA Navy, SAS Simonsberg, Simon's Town – Site visit to assess waste management. A lack of baboon-proof bins and sufficient waste storage remains a challenge for baboon management (**Fig. 8**). The need for provision of new baboon-proof bins has been escalated with the City. Waste cages have also been highlighted to the Navy as a way to reduce conflict.

SA Navy, Navy Band, Simon's Town – Site visit to check for attractants. Waste management was good at the time of the visit and bins were secured with ropes to prevent baboons from accessing the waste.

SA Navy, West Yard, Simon's Town – A lack of baboon-proof bins or suitable waste cages continues to hamper baboon management (**Fig. 9**). The need for baboon-proof bins at West Yard has been highlighted to the City. The Navy has indicated that a tender is out to supply and install waste cages at key naval properties in Simon's Town.

SA Navy, SANAD, Simon's Town – Site visit to discuss access for baboon rangers and challenges for Navy personnel when baboons visit the base. The property is well managed by the onsite staff and baboon-proofing remains at a good standard.



Figure 8. Improper waste storage at SAS Simonsberg.



Figure 9. Broken bins at West Yard.

STAKEHOLDER LIAISON

Extensive liaison with the Simon's Town Civic Association regarding baboon management within the Simon's Town area. During these meetings points for collaboration are identified and community education initiatives are discussed and developed.

Ongoing collaboration with the Cape of Good Hope SPCA with regards to baboon welfare and potential contraventions of the Animals Protection Act No. 71 of 1962 by members of the public.

Continued engagement with the City's Solid Waste Department to discuss waste related challenges on the Peninsula. This dialogue is facilitated by the City's Biodiversity Management Branch. The Solid Waste Department has a Request for Quotation in place for approximately 300 bin locks. NCC and the City's Biodiversity Management Branch will advise and guide so that these bins are allocated to areas and properties which experience high levels of human baboon conflict.

Ongoing discussions with the Navy to address issues on Naval property and to identify points for collaboration.

Meetings with individual residents to discuss baboon management, education, challenges, and solutions for their communities.

The City's online meetings for community members to discuss the way forward for the Cape Peninsula Urban Baboon Programme continued into September. Meetings were held for the communities of Sunnydale, Capri and Ocean View; Constantia north of Constantia Nek) and Simon's Town. NCC attended all meetings to increase our understanding of the communities needs and their proposals for the future of the programme.

EDUCATION INITIATIVES

Simon's Town Civic Association, Lord Nelson Hotel – Educational presentation and question and answer session for residents who wished to learn more about baboons. Ways in which residents could assist to reduce human-baboon conflict in their community were also discussed.

Black Marlin Restaurant, Millers Point – As a requirement of the new lease agreement with the City, the Black Marlin is required to train their staff with regards to baboon behaviour and ecology. NCC gave a presentation on baboon behaviour and ecology and steps that staff members should take if a baboon visits the restaurant. The presentation was duplicated over two sessions to ensure that all staff were able to attend the training (**Fig. 10**).

Distribution of Educational Material, Seaforth – Began distributing 'Baboons A Lifestyle Choice' flyers to the Seaforth area following more frequent visits by the Smitswinkel Bay troop. The Community Conservation Manager also opportunistically engaged with residents and answered their queries whilst distributing the flyers.

Distribution of Educational Material, Constantia - Information pertaining to the laws which protect baboons in the Western Cape were distributed to houses close to properties where legal contraventions such as pellet gun use were allegedly taking place. The aim of this activity was to educate and encourage residents to come forward should they be privy to suspected illegal activity.

Development of Educational Materials – Several educational infographics were developed during the month of September, which will be available via the website during the next reporting period (**Fig. 11**).



Figure 10. Educational presentation at the Black Marlin Restaurant.

REPORTING ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

To ensure the Cape Peninsula baboons are protected from harmful public behavior, the following reporting process should be followed by anyone who is privy to suspected illegal activity:

ANIMALS PROTECTION ACT NO 71 OF 1962 (SPCA): Any activity deemed as animal cruelty under this Act e.g., shooting and / or harming a baboon unnecessarily.	REPORT CONTRAVENTIONS TO: SPCA: Tel: 021 700 4140 After Hours: 083 326 1604 Please also inform the baboon hotline: Tel: 071 588 6540
ANIMAL KEEPING BY-LAW, 2021 (LAW ENFORCEMENT): 14. (1) A person who keeps any animal must ensure that it is kept under proper and effective control when it leaves the premises where it is kept and that it does not endanger any person, animal, or property when it leaves the premises. 28. (2) No person may deliberately or negligently feed any wild animal that is not in captivity, with the exclusion of bird feeders. 28. (3) No person may permit a wild animal to access domestic waste.	REPORT CONTRAVENTIONS TO: Law Enforcement: Tel: 021 480 7700 Please also inform the baboon hotline: Tel: 071 588 6540
NATURE CONSERVATION ORDINANCE NO 19 OF 1974 (CAPENATURE): No person shall hunt or feed baboons.	REPORT CONTRAVENTIONS TO: CapeNature: Tel: 087 087 4021 082 773 4278 Please also inform the baboon hotline: Tel: 071 588 6540
FIREARMS CONTROL ACT (LAW ENFORCEMENT): Chapter 16, 120 Offences (7). It is an offence to discharge a firearm, an antique firearm or an airgun in a built-up area or any public place, without good reason to do so.	REPORT CONTRAVENTIONS TO: Law Enforcement: Tel: 021 480 7700 Please also inform the baboon hotline: Tel: 071 588 6540

GATHERING EVIDENCE

- To increase the likelihood of securing a successful prosecution, evidence will be required to support the case.
- Video and photo evidence of the legal contravention is extremely helpful. When taking footage please try to take clear footage of the offender and a good overview of the criminal activity. I.e., when baboons are present, please try to ensure that the footage also shows this.
- First hand eye-witness accounts supported by an affidavit can also be used to facilitate a prosecution.
- An affidavit is a written statement made under oath. The person writing the affidavit has therefore sworn that the document contains the truth, and they can be prosecuted if it is found that information contained in the affidavit is untrue. Affidavits can be made at any police station where you will be provided with a form to fill in.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN A WITNESS STATEMENT (AFFIDAVIT)

- Date and time of incident.
- Full name, surname, date of birth, and ID number of deponent (witness).
- Who committed the offence? Describe the person(s) in detail.
- Where did the offence take place? Street address, ERF number, farm name.
- Were baboons present? How many? Approximate age category e.g. infant, adult? Explain in detail where the baboons were and what they were doing.
- Explain in detail where the offender came from, moved to and the action he/she carried out.
- What actions did you take during the event?
- How did the offence affect the baboons?
- Explain in detail what you witnessed after the offence took place.
- Are there any photos or videos which can support your statement and are these photos and videos available?
- State what action you took after witnessing the incident.
- Are there any other witnesses?

BABOON HOTLINE
 071 588 6540

PLEASE PHONE THE CITY'S DEDICATED BABOON HOTLINE TO ALERT US TO THE PRESENCE OF BABOONS IN THE URBAN AREA, TO REPORT PEOPLE FEEDING OR HARMING BABOONS OR IF YOU SPOT INJURED BABOONS

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Figure 11. Preview of one of the new educational infographics available at ncc-group.co.za/baboons

4.3 HOTLINE REPORTS

We received 366 hotline calls during the month of September. The majority of the hotline calls received were regarding baboon(s) in the urban area (352), followed by reports of injured baboons (9) and general enquiries (5) (**Fig. 12**). The highest number of calls reporting the presence of baboons in the urban area came from Kommetjie in response to the presence of the SK Troop (**Fig. 21**). The second highest number of calls were received from Scarborough in response to the movement of a small group of individuals around the village.

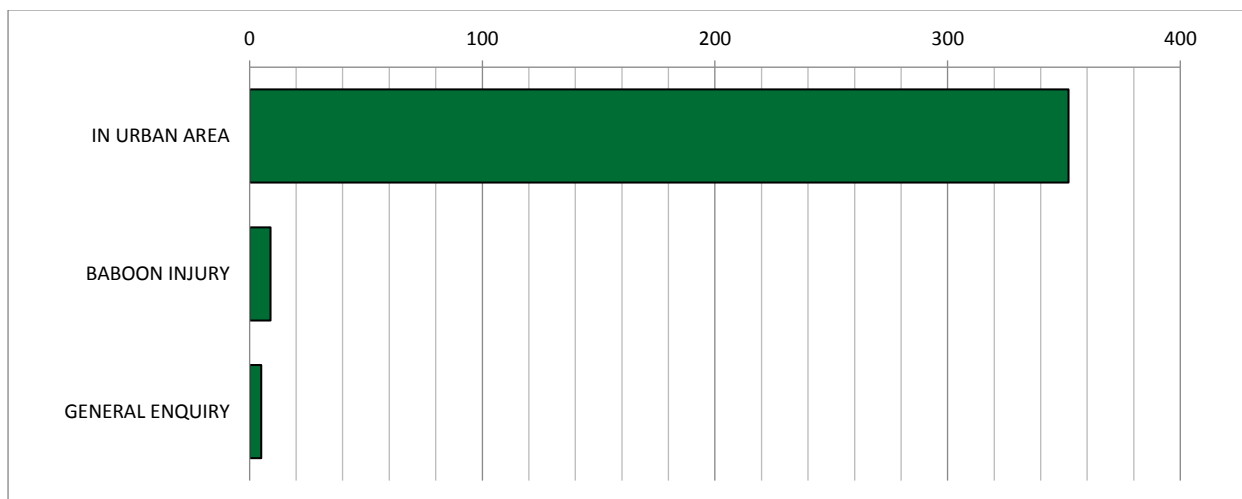


Figure 12. The number of hotline calls by type in September 2022.

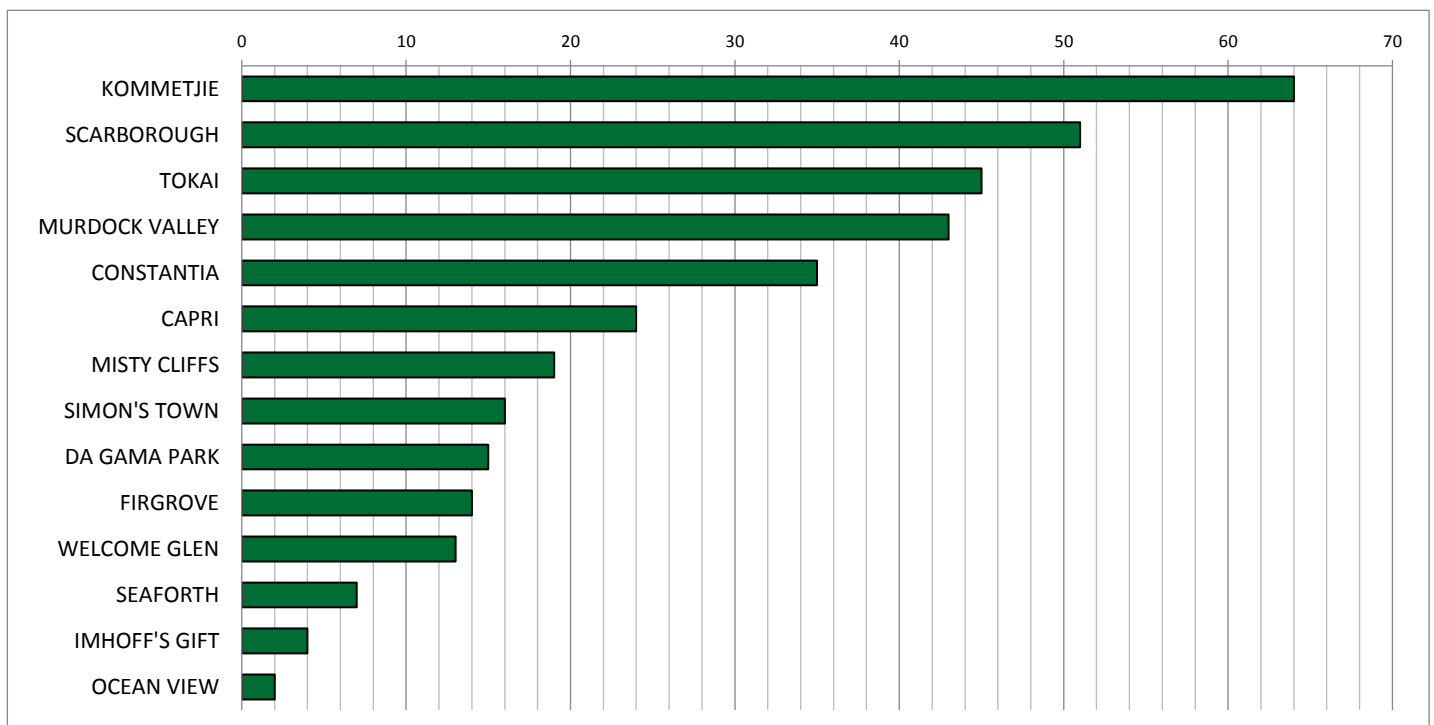


Figure 13. The number of hotline calls reporting baboon presence by suburb in September 2022.

4.4 RECOMMENDATIONS & ACTIONS

4.4.1 Troop Specific Recommendations & Actions

TROOP	RECOMMENDATION	ACTION UNDERTAKEN THIS MONTH	ACTION STILL REQUIRED
DG	There is a 3km above ground electricity line running through a section of the DG Troop's natural ranging area. This line should be diverted underground to protect baboons and other wildlife from further electrocutions.	NCC and members of the CCT Biodiversity Management Branch are engaging with CCT Electricity Department regarding short-term mitigation measures for electricity poles and power lines in baboon ranging areas while long-term measures are put in place.	Ongoing engagement.
DG	The alien invasive vegetation surrounding Da Gama Park is extensive, dense and overgrown. This vegetation should be removed as it obscures the troop's movements and allows them to enter the urban area undetected. It also poses a fire risk to the built-up area.	SANParks began clearing vegetation on 16 September 2022.	Continued clearing.
GOB	Residents of Scarborough should remain alert to the possibility that baboons may visit the village and maintain baboon-proofing of their properties.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
GOB	Owners of rental properties should alert their guest to the possible presence of baboons and proper conduct required to mitigate against conflicts.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
GOB	Both skips at Kogelfontein should be kept locked to reduce this troop's access to human-derived foods.	None this month.	Ongoing monitoring & reporting.

TROOP	RECOMMENDATION	ACTION UNDERTAKEN THIS MONTH	ACTION STILL REQUIRED
SK	Though baboons do move through Kommetjie often, residents of Kommetjie should remain alert to the possibility that baboons may visit the village and maintain baboon-proofing of their properties.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
SK	The installation of electric fencing aprons on the roofs of businesses within the Heron Park industrial area and baboon-proof bin storage would reduce the amount of time the troop spends in this area.	None this month.	Ongoing community engagement.
SK	Continued environmental education in Ocean View particularly with children, is recommended in an attempt to reduce the level of human-baboon conflict along the urban edge.	None this month.	Ongoing community engagement.
SWB	The Cape Boat and Ski Boat Club should continue to store all bins inside the baboon-proof enclosure.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing monitoring & reporting.
SWB/WF	The baboon-proofing of waste areas, windows and doors in facilities of SA Navy property would reduce access to human-derived foods and assist baboon management. Alternatively, an initiative to keep doors and windows closed when baboons are in the area would reduce access.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing monitoring, reporting & engagement.
TK/ZW	Forest Glade Centre should improve their bin cage to improve waste management & reduce attractants to baboons.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Alterations by owner.
CT1/MT1/MT2/TK/ZW	The Constantia wine farms and the UBP should collaborate on management strategies as per the CapeNature permit agreement.	Ongoing engagement with CapeNature & relevant wine farms.	Ongoing engagement.
MT1/MT2/TK/ZW	Removal and/or baboon-proof replacement of green public bins on Firgrove Way would reduce attractants to the urban area.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Removal/replacement of bins.
MT1/MT2/TK/ZW	Cape Academy should consider removing fruiting trees from their property to reduce attractants on their property.	None this month.	Additional removal of fruit trees where necessary.

4.4.2. Recommendations & Actions for all Baboon Impacted Areas

RECOMMENDATION	ACTION UNDERTAKEN THIS MONTH	ACTION STILL REQUIRED
Residents are advised to keep windows and doors closed when baboons are in the vicinity and to baboon-proof their properties as much as possible.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
Vegetable gardens should be baboon-proofed to prevent access.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
Planting of fruiting trees should be discouraged and/or managed by timeously removing fruit to reduce the attractiveness of the area for baboons.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
Residents should be aware that the use of pellet guns in urban areas is illegal and be informed about the suffering that is inflicted on baboons who are shot. The public is encouraged to report pellet gun use to SAPS, CapeNature & the Cape of Good Hope SPCA.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
Due to increased snare activity on the Cape Peninsula, it is important for members of the public to report incidents to the Baboon Hotline.	A request that the public alert the Baboon Hotline to the presence of snares is made in each monthly report.	Ongoing alerts in monthly reports & community engagement.
The erection of strategically placed baboon-proof fences would prevent baboons from entering urban areas while allowing for the maximum use of their available ranges.	See section 4.2, <i>SITE VISITS</i>	Ongoing community engagement.
The availability of baboon-proof rubbish and recycle bins in baboon-impacted suburbs would minimize baboon access to human-derived foods.	Communication is ongoing with the CCT Solid Waste Department & Biodiversity Management Branch.	Ongoing communications.
Regular waste management inspections by the City of Cape Town's Solid Waste Department By-law Division would help address waste related issues.	NCC closely monitors waste collection in baboon-affected suburbs. If waste collection is delayed in any suburb, NCC informs CCT's Biodiversity Management Branch who in turn alerts the CCT Solid Waste Department.	Ongoing monitoring & reporting.