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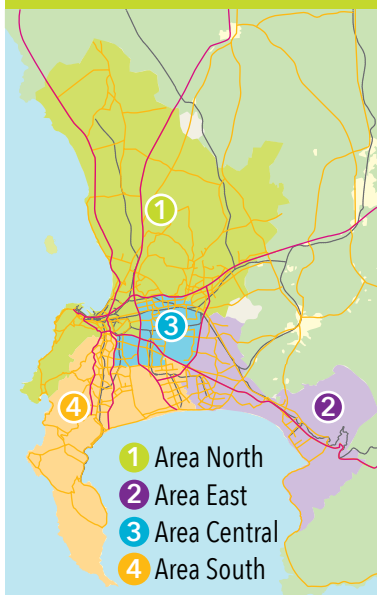


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And Wesfleur wins! In a big win for the Atlantis community, Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis officially opened the extensively upgraded Wesfleur athletics stadium in February. The R31 million upgrade included the replacement of the tartan running track, revamping of the steeplechase arena, triple and long-jump sections, hammer throw cage and javelin area, as well as new floodlights. Seating areas, walkways, ablution blocks and the spectator fence were repaired, and a new perimeter fence was installed. Also in Area North, a R13,7 million investment at the Fisantekraal sports ground delivered a full-size synthetic soccer pitch, providing year-round, high-quality sporting facilities.

Langa pool getting a 'polish'

Several City swimming pools are closed for planned repairs, maintenance and upgrades. These include the Langa pool in Area North. Final timelines will be communicated as work progresses.

Part of a pool plan

The City is now midway through its five-year programme to ensure the sustainability of its 37 swimming pools. Over the past three financial years, the programme has seen R113,5 million invested in pool upgrades and maintenance across the metro.



Jobseekers urged to update

The City encourages jobseekers to update their information on the City's database. This will ensure that they remain eligible for work opportunities.

Here's how

Updating is easy: Simply visit a subcouncil office, SmartCape facility in a City library or the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) walk-in centre at 50 Wale Street – all available on weekdays, 08:00–15:30. Alternatively, email EPWP.Help@capetown.gov.za.

You will need a clear copy of your ID, proof of address (or an affidavit signed by a commissioner of oaths or ward councillor), your household and contact details, and an updated CV, including any previous EPWP work.

* For more information, call the EPWP helpdesk at 021 400 9406.

Valuation roll check-and-object window open

The City's 2025 general valuation roll is ready and will take effect on 1 July 2026. Should you wish to dispute your property valuation, please do so before the end of April.

The 2025 general valuation roll (GV2025) of Cape Town's approximately 930 000 registered properties is available for inspection and, if need be, objection before it will be implemented on 1 July 2026.

Residents will find GV2025 on the City's website, www.capetown.gov.za (enter "General valuation roll 2025" in the search box), as well as at 20 venues across town (enter "Property valuation objection venues list" for a schedule). In-person GV2025 inspection and objection will be open until the end of March, as indicated on the venue schedule. The window for online inspection and objection runs until 30 April.

No thumb-suck values

The City's valuation methods are accurate, fair and in line with international best practice. A dedicated team of professional valuers used statistical models to value registered properties in town. The roll was subjected to data verification, statistical accuracy checks and extensive audit reviews.

If you decide to dispute

To dispute your valuation, complete the objection form available on the City's e-Services platform or provided against your property on GV2025, and submit it before 30 April – either via e-Services or the email address stated on the form. Alternatively, submit an in-person objection before the end of March at any of the identified venues.

Keep in mind:

- To object via e-Services, you must be registered on the platform. Allow for a short activation period. For a video on e-Services registration, go to <https://youtu.be/7fR2IXOp2zo>.
- Your objection must be motivated and supported with market-related information as at the valuation date of 1 July 2025. For your convenience, the City supplies verified sales information on its website.

Friendlier rates formula

Your property value is used to determine

your monthly property rates. To assist the Mother City's property owners, the City is proposing a 10,2% lower property rates formula under GV2025. An indicative residential rate-in-the-land of 0,006428 (down from 0,007159) has been set as an interim estimate – comparing very well with other metros. This will depend on draft budget finalisation and confirmation of national funding streams. The final rate-in-the-land will be determined in May 2026 when Council approves the budget, tariffs and rates after public participation.

Along with other proposed measures, the lower rate-in-the-land will ensure that 60% of Cape Town's residential properties will experience either a rates decrease, or no change in rates, even though their property value has likely risen.

To get an idea of what you might be paying in rates under the new valuation roll, use the City's handy indicative interim rates calculator. Access it by clicking on the GV2025 trending box on the City's homepage.

Stop, scan, set off

MyCiTi's printed schedules at bus stops are being replaced with QR codes, linking passengers to the latest schedule for their particular stop based on the bus's last known location. Simply scan the code for bus times and direction of travel.

Passengers may also continue to use the MyCiTi website, app or the helpline at 0800 65 64 63 to access bus schedules.

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KORTLIKS

Burgemeester Geordin Hill-Lewis het in Februarie die opgeknapte Wesfleur-atletiekstadion in Atlantis amptelik geopen. Die omvattende projek het R31 miljoen gekos.

MyCiTi se gedrukte busroosters by haltes word nou met QR-kodes vervang. Die kodes bied passasiers maklike toegang tot die jongste rooster vir 'n spesifieke halte op grond van waar die bus trek. Skandeer bloot die kode vir bustye en -rigtings.

Die jongste algemene waardasielys van Kaapstad se sowat 930 000 geregistreerde eiendomme is nou beskikbaar vir inspeksie en enige moontlike besware voordat dit op 1 Julie 2026 in werking tree. Inwoners kan dit op die Stad se webtuiste kry: Gaan na www.capetown.gov.za en soek onder "General valuation

roll 2025". Boonop is die waardasielys by 20 lokale deur die hele stad te kry (soek onder "Property valuation objection venues").

Die Stad moedig werksoekers aan om hulle besonderhede op die databasis op enige van die volgende maniere by te werk: Besoek 'n subraadskantoor, 'n SmartCape-biblioteekfasiliteit, of die EPWP-instapsentrum by Waalstraat 50, Kaapstad (al drie is weksdae van 08:00 tot 15:30 oop), of stuur 'n e-pos na EPWP.Help@capetown.gov.za.

Verskeie Stadsweembaddens is gesluit vir beplande herstelwerk, instandhouding en opknappings. Finale tydlyn sal bekend gemaak word namate die werk vorder.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

USodolophu uGeordin Hill-Lewis ngokusemthethweni uye wavula ibala leembaleki eliphuculwe ngeR31m laseWesfleur eAtlantis kweyoMdumba.

Ishedyuli eziprintiweyo kwizitopu zebhasi zeMyCiTi' zithathelwe indawo zikhowudi zeQR, ezithumela abakhweli ngokweeshedyuli zabo ezintsha ezingezitopu zabo ngokusekelwe kwiindawo ezigqibele kuyo iibhasi. Ngokulula nje uskena ikhowudi ukuze ubone amaxesha ebhasi nendawo eya ngakuyo.

Uhlolo oluqhelekileyo luka2025 (GV2025) lweepropati ezibhalisiweyo zaseKapa ezimalunga nama930 000 luyafumaneka ukuze lujongwe yaye, ukuba kuyimfuneko, lunokuhlalutywa ngaphambi kokuba lusetyenziswe ngowoku1 kweyeKhala 2026. Abahlali bangayifumana iGV2025 kwiwebhusayithi yeSixeko, ethi, www.capetown.gov.za (ngena ku"General valuation roll

2025" kwibhokisi yokusetsha/yokuphanda), kwanakwiindawo ezingama20 kuyo yonke idolophu (ngena ku"Property valuation objection venues").

ISixeko sikhuthaza abo bakhangela umsebenzi ukuba bahlaziye iinkcukacha zabo ngayo nayiphi na kwezi ndlela zilandelayo: Ndwendwela iofisi yebhungana okanye iziko leSmartCape kwilayibrari kawonkewonke (phakathi evelini, 08:00–15:30) okanye kwiziko le-EPWP ekungenwayo kulo e50 Wale Street, eKapa (phakathi evelini, 08:00–15:30), okanye uthumele i-imeyili ku EPWP.Help@capetown.gov.za.

Amaqula okuqubha aliqela eSixeko avaliwe kuba eza kulungiswa, alondolozwe aze aphuculwe. Aquka iqula lakwaLanga elikuMmandla ongaseNtla. Amaxesha okugqiba aza kuchazwa njengoko uqhubeka lo msebenzi.

Making progress possible. Together.



Budget boost for pre-winter stormwater fix-up

The City has allocated an additional R39 million to ramp up maintenance and repairs of stormwater infrastructure in flood-prone areas. The work will take place over the next few months to prepare for high rainfall events in winter.

With the added budget, the City can deploy more teams and increase its stormwater system cleaning cycles. The areas for focused intervention were identified using data from last year, public reports of flooding, and site visits and investigations by City teams. Stormwater systems in and around informal areas are included.

- Help us fend off flooding**
- Sadly, many cases of winter flooding are the result of blockages due to the illegal dumping of waste into the stormwater system. Here's what you can do to help:
- Report blocked drains and illegal dumping on the City app, to the customer call centre on 0860 103 089, to contact.us@capetown.gov.za, or by logging a service request on www.capetown.gov.za/servicerequests.
 - Help keep the stormwater inlets in your street free from debris and waste. Do not sweep waste into drains.
 - Regularly trim trees overhanging drains.

GV2025 shows Cape Town works and is future-fit

Every three years, the City undertakes a full valuation of all properties to reflect their market value. The latest general valuation (GV2025) confirms what many of you have already experienced firsthand: Property values in Cape Town continue to grow steadily.

For homeowners, this is good news. It means that your property is increasing in value, contributing to your family's long-term financial security and personal wealth. In fact, Cape Town remains the one South African metro where property assets consistently grow in value.

At the same time, we offer the lowest rate-in-the-land property rates formula of any city in the country. Simply put, it generally costs less to own property here than anywhere else in South Africa, even though property values are higher. This is part of what makes Cape Town not only a great place to live, but also a smart place to invest.

Following this valuation, we are proposing a 10,2% reduction in the residential rate-in-the-land. This will soften the impact of higher valuations



A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

and keep rates as affordable as possible. As a result, around 60% of residential properties will either see a decrease in their rates, or no increase at all, despite their property values rising.

We are also expanding relief measures to support more households. The 'rates-free' benefit will now apply to the first R500 000 of your property's value

(up from R450 000). In addition, this benefit is being extended to properties valued up to R8 million (up from R7 million), meaning more middle-class families will qualify for relief.

This forms part of our commitment to run a city that works and is geared for the future, with reliable services, continued infrastructure investment, and property values that grow over time. It's a combination that sets Cape Town apart.

I encourage every property owner to take a few minutes to review their updated valuation on the City's website or at designated venues across town. If you believe that your valuation does not reflect the correct market value as at 1 July 2025, you may lodge an objection until the end of April.

Cape Town's strength lies in its people, and in our shared commitment to building a city of hope for all who live here. Thank you for being part of that journey.

Geordin Hill-Lewis
Cape Town Mayor

Rebate recipients to reapply

After the implementation of GV2025, both pensioners and indigent residents will need to reapply for rates rebates and other benefits. Do so by visiting your nearest municipal customer care office. Alternatively, pensioners may visit <https://bit.ly/47ecgFH> or email rates.rebate@capetown.gov.za, and indigent residents can reapply via <https://bit.ly/4bCqzVI> or email indigent.relief@capetown.gov.za.



Cape Town's hard at work

Jobs in Cape Town have grown by 113 000 year on year, with employment in the Mother City now at an all-time high of 1,895 million people. According to Stats SA's fourth-quarter labour force survey for 2025, Cape Town has the country's lowest unemployment rate, at 19,8%. This is the first time since 2009 that unemployment has fallen below 20%.

The City's strategy to focus on high-growth sectors such as manufacturing, tourism, hospitality, construction, technology and financial services is clearly paying off.

Caution urged as dam levels fall below expectations

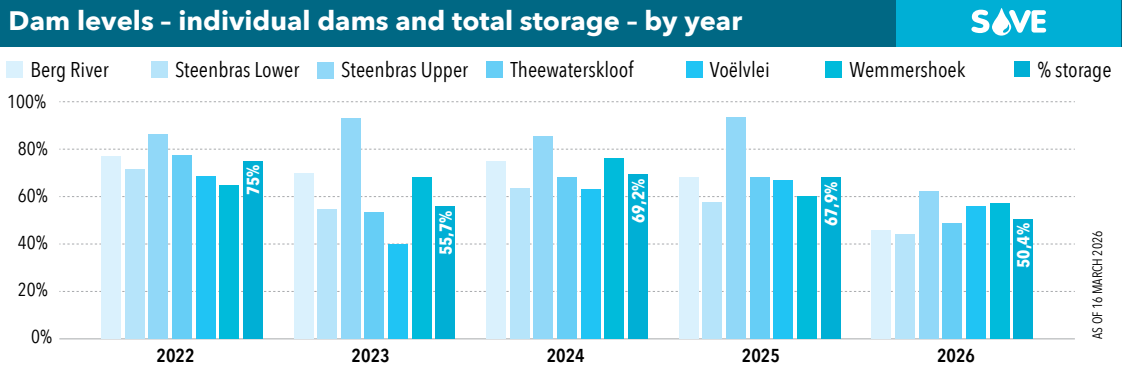
The main dams supplying the city are approximately 20% lower than last year. While there is no immediate reason for concern, the City's water resource status has been updated to 'Early Drought Caution', reflecting a proactive approach to monitoring and managing future drought risks.

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.



Let's work smart with our water supply

Dam levels are 20% lower compared to this time last year, so being water-savvy is crucial to manage our supply until winter. The City counts on every Capetonian to help bring water usage down again to the target of 975 million litres per day.

Every drop counts

- Find and fix water leaks on your property. Dripping taps, leaking

toilets and faulty plumbing can cause huge water losses over time.

- Water your garden at night to prevent evaporation, and avoid topping up swimming pools unnecessarily.
- Switch to treated effluent for industrial irrigation or construction purposes. The City supplies treated effluent to large water users such as industry, sports clubs, golf clubs,

large new developments and schools.

- Report burst pipes by dialling 086 010 3089 (select option 2), sending an SMS to 31373, a WhatsApp to 060 018 1505, or an email to water@capetown.gov.za. Provide an exact location and take down a reference number.

** For more water-saving tips, go to www.capetown.gov.za/savewater.*



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KORTLIKS

Die Stad het 'n bykomende R39 miljoen toegeken vir instandhouding en herstelwerk aan stormwaterinfrastruktuur in gebiede wat geneig is tot oorstrooming. Die werk sal oor die volgende paar maande plaasvind.

Werkseleenthede in Kaapstad het die afgelope jaar met 113 000 toegeneem. Met 1,895 miljoen mense wat werk, is indiensneming in die Moederstad nou hoër as ooit vantevore.

Damvlakke is 20% laer as dié tyd verlede jaar. Dit is noodsaaklik dat ons nou verstandig met ons water werk om ons voorraad tot en met die winter te bestuur. Die Stad maak staat op elke Kapenaar om waterverbruik weer tot die teiken van 975 miljoen liter per dag te verlaag.

Pensioenarisse en inwoners wat deernisbystand ontvang, moet ná die inwerkingstelling van die nuwe waardasielys weer om belastingkortings en ander voordele aansoek doen.

Help die Stad om afpersers vas te trek wat op beskermingsgeld vir Stadsprojekte aandring. Skakel 021 480 7700.

Die jongste waardasielys bevestig dat eiendomswaardes in Kaapstad aanhou toeneem. Vir huiseienaars is dit goeie nuus: 'n Stygende eiendoms waarde help verseker immers jou gesin se langtermyn-finansiële sekuriteit. Terselfdertyd bied die Stad ook die laagste koers in die rand vir eiendomsbelasting van enige metro in Suid-Afrika.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko siye sabekela bucala iR39 yezigidi ukongeza ekulondolozweni nokulungiswa kweziseko zophuhliso zamanzi esichotho kwiindawo ezithandwa zizikhukula. Lo msebenzi uza kwenziwa kwezi nyanga zimbalela zizayo.

Imisebenzi eKapa inyuka nge113 000 minyaka le, ngoku eSixekweni kuqeshwa abantu ngomthamo ophakame kakhulu wezigidi ezi1.895.

Umthamo wamadama ukumlinganiselo wama20% xa uthelekiswa neli xesha kunyaka ophelileyo, ngoko kubaluleke kakhulu ukonga amanzi ukuze silawule oovimba bethu de kube sebusika. ISixeko sithembe bonke abahlali baseKapa ukuba baza kuphinda bakwehlise ukusetyenziswa kwamanzi ukuya kutsho kusukela lweelitha ezingama975 ezigidi ngosuku.

Emva kokuphunyezwa kweGV2025, abo badla umhlalaphantsi kunye nabahlali abangathathi ntweni kuza kufuneka bafake izicelo

zokubuyiselwa imali ehlawulelwa iinkonzo kwakunye nezinye iinzuzo.

Sincidise ekubambeni izaphulimthetho ezifuna ngenkani imali yokhuseleko kwiiprojekthi ozenzayo. Fowunela 24/7: Ku021 480 7700

Uhloko oluqhelekileyo lwakutshanje (GV2025) luqinisekisa ukuba amaxabiso epropati eKapa ayaqhubeka ethe ngcembe ukunyuka. Kwabo banezindlu, ziindaba ezimnandi ezi. Loo nto ithetha ukuba ipropati yakho – esoloko iyeyona aseti yakho ibalulekileyo – liyakhula ixabiso layo, nto leyo enegalelo kukhuseleko lwezoqoqosho lwentsapho yakho kangangethuba elide. Kwangaxeshanye, siyazidla ngokunikezela ngowona "milinganiselo kwirandi" uphantsi – ubalo olusetyenziselwa ukubala amaxabiso epropati – kunaso nasiphi na isixeko saseMzantsi Afrika.

Mamre hub's where services are happening

The City in partnership with Province has launched a new Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) and community development worker (CDW) hub in Mamre. Located at the corner of Adam and Liedeman streets, the hub makes government services more accessible to residents of the area, eliminating the need to travel to Atlantis.

All under one roof
Residents can visit the Mamre hub on weekdays from 08:00 to 16:00 (except public holidays). Here, they will be able to register on the jobseekers (EPWP) database and obtain assistance from CDWs, including guidance on social welfare and family support services, referrals to relevant departments, and the reporting of service issues. Residents will also have access to customer relations and SmartCape desks.

About CDWs and EPWP
CDWs help bridge the gap between communities and government, acting as government's 'eyes and ears'. They identify local challenges early on, facilitate referrals to the correct departments, and ensure that residents' voices are heard in planning and decision-making processes.

The EPWP, in turn, is a national government initiative that provides short-term work and skills development opportunities to unemployed residents, while improving local infrastructure and service delivery. Participants gain valuable experience and training that can help them transition into longer-term employment or entrepreneurship.



New Atlantis trading plan in the works

The City is revising the Atlantis informal trading plan, which dates back to 2015. Residents were invited to attend an information session in February and had until 10 March to comment on the proposed new plan. Watch City channels for further updates.

Conference centre makes green history

A sought-after global certification for the Century City Conference Centre has given Cape Town's rise as a world favourite for events and conferences another boost.

The Century City Conference Centre has become the first in the southern hemisphere to receive the globally recognised Green Key certificate in environmental responsibility and sustainable operations in the tourism industry.

Green Key certification is administered by the Foundation for Environmental Education and overseen locally by the Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA). It is recognised by, among others, the United Nations (UN) Tourism Organization, the UN Environment Programme and Unesco.

Growing into the go-to
World-class, future-fit facilities are one of the main reasons why Cape Town is among the top ten cities globally for average attendance per event, as reported by the International Congress and



The key to even greater success: Proudly pictured with the Green Key are (from left) Ald James Vos (Mayco member for Economic Growth), Teyva Visser (senior sustainability manager at the Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)), Cindy Cloete (WESSA chief executive), Gary Koetser (chief executive of Century City Conference Centre and Hotels), Bernard Abrahams (operations manager of Century City Conference Centre) and Kelly Alcock (WESSA's head of education and sustainability).

Convention Association (ICCA) in its GlobeWatch 2024 report.

The City aims to make Cape Town the world's go-to destination for events and conferences. This is why the City funds and works with the Cape Town and Western Cape Convention Bureau, administered by Wesgro. In 2024/25 alone, the bureau confirmed 36 new conference bids with a projected economic impact of R745 million and over 27 000 delegates expected through to 2028. Business tourism remains a key pillar of the City's economic growth strategy.

New sewers for Century City

Sewer pipeline renewal along key roads in Century City has been successfully completed, ensuring the long-term reliability of the network. The work was prioritised, as the 25-year-old pipes experienced frequent collapses and corrosion.

Pipes cured
Six open-trench emergency repairs were carried out first to address immediate issues, followed by cured-in-place

pipe (CIPP) lining. CIPP involves inserting a specially designed liner into the existing pipe, which is then cured (hardened) in place to form a new, durable inner pipe. This 'pipe within a pipe' method restores the sewer to a near-new condition, extending its useful life.

The project forms part of the Mayor's priority programme, which has earmarked R589,5 million for citywide pipe maintenance and replacements in the 2025/26 financial year.



Dig-and-CIPP combo: For the rehabilitation of sewer pipes in Century City, completed late last year, the City used a combination of open-trench repairs and cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining.

Roadworks round-up

Platteklouf Road in **Platteklouf** (southbound between Baronetcy Boulevard and Uys Krige Drive) as well as Vryburger Avenue in **Bothasig** (southbound between De Grendel Avenue and Bosmansdam Road) were resurfaced. The work, which included repairs on channels and kerbs, took place at night to minimise peak traffic disruption.

Road resurfacing and repairs in **Milnerton, Melkbosstrand,**

Mamre and Atlantis were completed in January.

To improve pedestrian and road safety, the City has also implemented traffic-calming measures in several neighbourhoods in **Milnerton, Melkbosstrand, Parklands, Table View and Atlantis**. Measures include speed humps, raised intersections and new footways, with a focus on areas close to schools, play parks and community amenities.

More Greenvillers move in

The City handed over the keys to 26 homes in phase 5 of the Greenville Breaking New Ground (BNG) housing project in Fisantekraal. This phase will ultimately house 495 beneficiaries and their families.

Good, better, Benex
The Greenville project makes use of the innovative Benex Block technology – an affordable, lightweight building solution that allows for faster and more efficient construction. The City is also exploring the use of this technology in other

suitable housing projects in the future.

Last year, phase 4 of the R153 million Greenville development was completed. It delivered more than 1 000 housing opportunities to qualifying families, many of whom are among the metro's most vulnerable.

Building together
The development is a partnership between the City and developer Garden Cities, who employs both skilled and unskilled labour from the local communities.

Keeping it fair: Beneficiaries of City housing are selected in accordance with the Housing Allocation Policy and Housing Needs Register. This ensures that housing opportunities are allocated in a fair and transparent manner to those who qualify by law. The City's political office-bearers have no access to the Housing Needs Register, nor any influence over who receives housing.



Good to be home: Maria Claasen with the keys to her brand-new home in phase 5 of the Greenville development in Fisantekraal.

KORTLIKS

Die Stad het saam met die Provinsie 'n nuwe diens-sentrum in Mamre geopen waar inwoners op die EPWP-databasis kan registreer en bystand van gemeenskapsontwikkelingswerkers kan ontvang.

Die Century City-konferensiesentrum is die eerste in die suidelike halfronde wat die internasionaal gesogte Green Key-sertifikaat vir omgewings-verantwoordelikheid en volhoubaarheid in die toerismebedryf ontvang het.

Die vernuuwing van rioolpype langs 'n aantal belangrike roetes in Century City is voltooi, wat die langtermynbetroubaarheid van die netwerk verseker. Die werk is geprioritiseer aangesien die 25 jaar oue pype al erg geroes was en gereeld in duie gestort het.

Die Stad het die sleutels vir 26 huise in fase 5 van die Greenville-behuisingsprojek in Fisantekraal oorhandig. Altesaam 495 begunstigdes en hulle gesinne sal uiteindelik in dié fase woon.

Die informelehandelsplan vir Atlantis, wat in 2015 in werking getree het, word tans hersien. Ná 'n inligtingssessie in Februarie kon inwoners tot 10 Maart kommentaar lewer op die voorgestelde nuwe plan.

Bladvernuwing in Platteklouf (Platteklouf) en Vryburgerlaan (Bothasig) is voltooi. Kanale en randstene is terselfdertyd herstel. Padwerk in Milnerton, Melkbosstrand, Mamre en Atlantis is ook in Januarie afgehandel. Vir beter voetganger- en padveiligheid het die Stad boonop verkeersmatigingsmaatreëls in Milnerton, Melkbosstrand, Parklands, Table View en Atlantis geïnstalleer. Spoedhobbels, verhewe kruisings en nuwe voetgangerroetes is veral in gebiede naby skole, speelparke en gemeenskapsgeriewe aangebring.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

ISixeko, ngokubambisana nePhondo siye sasungula iNkqubo eNatyisiweyo engeMisebenzi yoLuntu (EPWP) kwakunye nehabhu yabasebenzi bophuhliso boluntu (CDW) eMamre.

IZiko leeNkomfa laseCentury City liye laba lelokuqala kumazantsi eikhweyiitha ukufumana isatifikethi esihlonelwayo ehlabathini seGreen Key kwiimbopheleleko zokusingqongileyo nemisebenzi eqhubekayo kwezokhenketho.

Ukuhlaziya kwemibhobho ethutha ilindle kwiindlela ezinkulu eCentury City kuye kwagqitywa ngokuphumelelayo, nto leyo eqinisekisa ukuthembakala kangangexesha elide kolu thungelwano. Loo misebenzi uye wabekwa kwindawo yokuqala ngenxa yokuba le mibhobho ibisele ineminyaka engama25 ibimana iwohlaka, kwaye sele ibolile.

ISixeko siye sanikezela ngezindlu ezintsha ezingama26 kwibakala 5 leprojekthi yokuhlaliswa kwabantu iGreenville Breaking New Ground (BNG) eFisantekraal. Ekugqibeleni eli bakala liza kuhlalisa abaxhamli abangama495 kunye neentsapho zabo.

ISixeko sihlaziya isicwangciso sokurhweba saseAtlantis, esaqala ngowama2015. Abahlali bamenyelwa kwiseshoni yenkcazelo ngeyoMdumba baza banikwa ukuya kutsho ngowe10 kweyeKwindla ukuba baphefumle kwisicwangciso esitsha esiphakanyiswayo.

Indlela iPlatteklouf ePlatteklouf kwakunye neVryburger Avenue eBothasig ziye zalungiswa. Lo misebenzi ubuquka ukulungiswa kwemisele nongqameko lwendlela. Ukulungiswa kwendlela eMilnerton, eMelkbosstrand, eMamre naseAtlantis kwagqitywa ngeyeMqungu. Ngelokuphucula ukhuseleko lwabahambi ngeenyawo nolwendlela, iSixeko siye saqalisa iindlela zokuthotisha umthamo weemoto eMilnerton, eMelkbosstrand, eParklands, eTable View naseAtlantis. Ezi ndlela ziquka amagquma okulawula isantya, iimpambanondlela ezivulekileyo neendawo ezintsha zabahamba ngenyawo, kujoliswe kakhulu kwiindawo ezikufutshane ezikolweni, kwiipaki zokudlala kwakunye neendawo zoluntu.



Local opera is lekker

Bothasig residents recently experienced the magic of live opera at a free community concert hosted by the City in partnership with the 18-member Cape Town Opera Vocal Ensemble. The initiative forms part of the ensemble's Opera in Your Neighbourhood programme, which brings world-class vocal performances into familiar community venues to create accessible cultural experiences for all Capetonians.

In the past, these community concerts brought joy and inspiration to audiences across town. Given its positive reception, the initiative is being expanded to enable even broader access. The concerts are free and open to all.



Hitting all the right notes: The Cape Town Opera Vocal Ensemble in action.

City wastes no time with water fixes

Faced with below-average rainfall and increased water demand during summer, the City has been doing all it can to reduce water losses from burst pipes and leaks.

The City proactively detects and fixes leaks, replaces water pipes and manages pressure to minimise water losses and ensure Capetonians' water security.

Yet pipe bursts and water leaks do not always stick to the City's schedule. In the second half of 2025, the City responded to an average of 346 pipe bursts per month. Although the targeted repair time is two business days, teams immediately isolate the water supply once a burst is reported, to minimise losses. Most bursts during this period were resolved in less than half the expected turnaround time.

In certain instances, repairs do take longer. This can occur when bursts happen in high-risk areas, where work depends on the availability of Law Enforcement, or when complex technical repairs are required.



Put a plug in it: City maintenance teams stopping a leak caused by a faulty valve in Onze Molen, Durbanville, late last year.

Cape Town still the 'top drop'

Despite these challenges, the City continues to record the lowest levels of water loss among South Africa's major metros, according to the national Department of Water and Sanitation's 2023 No Drop report.

What's worse – leak or burst?

Pipe bursts and water leaks differ in impact. Bursts cause a sudden and uncontrolled loss of water, often resulting in flooding and pressure drops that require immediate intervention. Leaks are often slow and less visible, but capable of wasting significant volumes of water over time through dripping pipes, damp patches or faulty plumbing if left unattended.

Blaauwberg's Braille beach signage an SA first



In February, the Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA) partnered with the City to unveil South Africa's first Braille beach signage at Eerstesteen in the Blaauwberg nature reserve (pictured above). This represents an important step towards creating more inclusive beach and coastal experiences, grounded in the principle that South Africa's natural heritage should be accessible to all citizens.

The initiative forms part of WESSA's broader coastal programme, which also includes the Blue Flag and Green Coast awards for beaches and high-biodiversity coastal areas respectively.

Tap through your learner's test

A new, computerised learner's licence testing system is being implemented at all 18 of the City's driving licence testing centres. Replacing the manual, booklet-based test, the system uses digital screens to assess learners' knowledge.

Benefits include faster, more accurate results, a lower risk of corruption, and a modern, user-friendly experience. Tests are available in all official South African languages, including support for hearing-impaired applicants.

To help you prepare for your learner's test, download the free three-part study guide (rules of the road, road traffic signs, and vehicle controls) from www.natis.gov.za.

* For more information, enter "Apply for a learner's licence" in the search box on www.capetown.gov.za.

KORTLIKS

Bothasig-inwoners het onlangs die wonder van opera beleef by 'n gratis gemeenskapskonsert wat die Stad in vennootskap met die stem-ensemble van die Kaapstad Operakoor aangebied het. Die inisiatief maak deel uit van die ensemble se program Opera in Your Neighbourhood, wat wêreldklas-sanguitvoerings na bekende gemeenskapslokale bring om toeganklike kulturele ervarings vir alle Kapenaars te bied.

Die Stad werk hard om waterverliese te beperk sodat Kapenaars 'n waterseker toekoms kan hê. Vir dié doel word lekkasies proaktief opgespoor en herstel, waterpype vervang, en waterdruk bestuur. Nietemin hou gebarste pype en lekkasies nie altyd by die Stad se werksrooster nie: Werkspanne moes in die tweede helfte van 2025 gemiddeld 346 gebarste pype per maand herstel.

WESSA, die natuurlewe- en omgewingsvereniging van Suid-Afrika, het in Februarie met die Stad saamgewerk om die land se eerste strandinligtingstekens in braille by Eerstesteen in Blaauwberg-natuurreservaat bekend te stel. Dit is 'n belangrike stap om meer inklusiewe strand- en kuservarings te skep.

'n Nuwe, gerekenariseerde leerlinglisensietoets word tans by ál 18 rybewoettoetsentrums van die Stad in werking gestel. Die stelsel vervang die papiertoets en gebruik digitale skerms om leerders se kennis te bepaal.

KHAWUNDIBALISELE

Abahlali baseBothasig kutshanje baye banandipha iopera edlalwa ngqo emangalisayo kwikonsathi yoluntu yasimahla ebisingathwe siSixeko sidibene neQela leOpera eliCula Amazwi laseKapa. Eli phulo liyinxalenye yenkqubo yeli qela, yokuZisa iOpera ebantwini, ezisa ukudlalwa komculo okumgangatho wehlabathi kwiindawo zabantu abaghelekileyo ukuze kube yinto eqhelekileyo ukuba namava okufikelela kuwo kubo bonke abantu baseKapa.

Ngokuzimisela iSixeko sifumanisa size silungise imibhobho evuzayo, sitshintsha imibhobho yamanzi size silawule uxinzelelo kunye nokuphela kwamanzi nokuqinisekisa ukuba abahlali baseKapa bafumana amanzi ngokukhuselekileyo. Kodwa ukugqabhuka kwemibhobho nokuvuza kwamanzi kudlulela kwizicwangciso ezenziwe siSixeko. Kwisiqingatha sesibini sika2025, iSixeko siye sasabela ubuncinane ekugqabhukeni kwemibhobho engama346 ngenyanga.

KweyoMdumba, iWildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA) ibambisene neSixeko iye yatyhila usayino lokuqala lweBraille eEerstesteen kumzi wogcino lwezemvelo eBlaauwberg. Oku kubonisa inyathelo eliya phambili kuyila unxweme lolwandle oluquka bonke abantu kunye namava onxweme.

Inkqubo entsha yekhompuyutha yokuvavanyelwa ilayisensi yokufunda ukuqhuba iyafakwa kuwo oli18 amaziko okuvavanyelwa ilayisensi yokuqhuba eSixeko. Ithatha indawo yovavanyo olusekelwe kwincwadana, le nkqubo isebenzisa izikrini zedijithali ukuze ihlole ulwazi lwabafundi.

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