

Clifton-on-Sea and District Bungalow Owners' Association

Clifton, Glen Beach & Bakoven

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Pathway and Beautification of our Environment

There has been some hard work on the paths and public spaces in some sectors. Neighbours have created pockets of beautiful and cared for spaces – hedges trimmed, verges planted. Special mention of 4th Beach Promenade and Patrick at the Life Savers Club who has tendered 'his' garden with pride. Glen Beach has taken up the initiative to beautify the area and, with the support of City services, the area will take on a new look. Thank you to the residents for their trailblazing of this project. We hope their work will inspire the rest of us to get the access to our homes looking as good.



Maidens Cove Development

In October City Management was presented with an amended proposal and design (which differed from the one shown to the public). Mayco approved the sale of the revised development plans, (contentious and now being challenged) opening the way for the development to go out to tender. However, suddenly and without prior disclosure, more land has been added to the development footprint. The cricket oval is incorporated into the development and the Maiden Cove parking area is earmarked for a housing project "...in response to public request for inclusionary housing and improved community integration.... proceeds paid by developers will be pooled in order to fund near inner-city inclusionary housing projects". In addition the school sports field across the road from the beach at Camps Bay has been identified for " upgrading and redeveloping for shared future use"

The BOA, in alliance with Camps Bay Ratepayers, continues to be vigilant and we have been careful to register formal comments with the City for record purposes. Our position has always been that whilst we oppose the envisaged scale and commercial development of the protected Heritage site we are prepared to negotiate to find the 'sweet spot'. Rumors and theories abound - we will know far more once the Tender Documents and the City's position on re-zoning are made public which should be soon.

The BOA committee has had a busy year

- Attending to the 29 (applications to build beyond MDE (Maximum Development Envelope) and other building plans that require comments related to the Heritage guidelines.
- Reviewing the many event applications in our area and follow up reports post events. Applications for ‘crowd’ events totally inappropriate to a residential area, have increased to unmanageable proportions. We intend to negotiate with the City to limit the number of events and to institute noise pollution controls.
- Liaising with Camps Bay Community Security Initiative (CBCSI) and SAPS about security and crime in the area.
- Engaging with the City on the Maidens Cove Development. Taking legal council on the matter and working together with others so that our interests and those of the general public are not brushed aside.
- Launch of Creating Clifton landscaping and security project.
- Opposing more Cell phone transmission masts in Clifton
- Encouraging removal of electric fencing and razor wire which could be dangerous to the public, as well as removal of illegal signage
- Working with council to landscape public areas and the old restaurant site badly damaged whilst used as a builders hoarding site. Keeping vegetation trimmed, lights working, damages repaired, drains and sewerage unblocked, pathways clean and railings repaired. We have negotiated an allocation of R120 000 for the upgrading of pathways.
- Objected to liquor licenses in Bakoven and Clifton
- Managing garaging in Clifton
- Encouraged active membership and communication with regular newsletters.
- After a 10 year saga the City has agreed to revert to Beta Road in Bakoven which mysteriously became Beira Rd causing much confusion.
- Clifton path name project.
- Emma Fonzari left us as secretary after many years service. Rita worked a trial period, but her work load proved too much. The position is now vacant so enquiries are welcome as we are busy with the hiring process.

Fires

A Bungalow in Bakoven burnt to the ground in October. At our request Fire & Rescue Services checked all fire hydrants and is prepared to train any residents who are interested. Everyone is encouraged to have fire extinguishers and to consider fire hoses – perhaps share with your neighbours. Know where the hydrants are located and know how to use them.

A fire in the bushes above Clifton Bungalows was found to be a copper melting plant. Camps Bay Watch was instrumental in stopping this “commercial crime” which could start a blaze of catastrophic proportion.



**WISHING ALL
RESIDENTS A BLESSED
HOLIDAY SEASON
AND 2016**



Christmas Box and Handouts

The City Council has once again requested that we do not give out bonuses to people alleging to be council workers.

Handouts don't help, they hurt. By supporting begging, you encourage people to choose a life on the streets. Support shelters not begging.

Car guards can compromise your security if you use them to carry bags into your home. We strongly advise you to rather make a few trips and carry your own stuff or use store delivery services.

Dogs on Beach

Metro police have been asked to monitor dogs on the beaches. Please ensure you follow doggie rules and don't fall foul of the law. This is a huge problem for Bakoven, Glen Beach and Clifton 4th Beach. Fines will be issued to owners and unaccompanied dogs could be removed.



Respect and care for the neighbourhood

Mondays is household refuse collection day. Only put their bins out on that day. Recyclables should be tied up in clear plastic bags and left alongside your bin. If you have visitors or use a cleaning service please ask them not to leave bags on the path except on Monday mornings – bags are soon broken open and contents scattered.

We do live very close to each other so be aware of noise disturbance and the music you play. Please no outdoor speakers!

CRIME FIGHTING

CBCSI (Camps Bay and Clifton Safety Initiative) works alongside Camps Bay Watch. It is the professional arm of our community safety structure. CBCSI is extremely active in improving safety and security in Clifton, Camps Bay and Bakoven, and provides an important liaison to the police via community police forum. CBCSI also maintains 53 cameras in the community, with license plate recognition software. Every exit and entry point to the area is monitored 24/7.

CBCSI is funded entirely from volunteer contributions from members of the community. We appeal to all owners and tenants to support this organization.

WWW.CAMPSBAYWATCH.ORG

PAYMENT OF MEMBERSHIP FEES IS OPTIONAL, SO JOIN NOW AND GET ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE AND UPDATES ON CRIME IN THE AREA. FOR MORE INFO AND HOW TO JOIN CONTACT JANETTE HODGKINSON: 072 947 3511
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Currently CBCSI has 740 contributors, but only a handful of contributors from the Clifton, Glen Beach and Bakoven areas. They need our support. Only R250 per month.

CBCSI regularly finds, monitors and assists in removal of illegal temporary shelters in the bushy areas surrounding Clifton.

CBCSI consistently remains involved in excess of 75 % of arrests in Camps Bay. An example is the recent breakthrough arrest of one of our daytime "crowbar gangs."

Since CBCSI started in 2009, the crime in our suburb has reduced dramatically by creating systems where ADT, Bay Response, SAPS and CBW work closely together.

Thank you to all our members who have contributed to the Bungalow Owners Association. Subscriptions have reached an all-time high. We work hard to represent your interests and make the bungalow areas a special place, which we are proud and fortunate to call home.





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**GLEN BEACH
 BUNGALOWS
 & MAIDEN COVE**



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