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# Bulletin

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## HANGKLIP-KLEINMOND BUSINESS BREAKFAST BOOSTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Executive Mayor Dudley Coetzee, Director of Economic Development and Tourism Soli Madikane and fellow councillors Fanie Krige, Grant Cohen and Charmaine Resandt were recently joined by a vibrant group of Kleinmond businesspersons for a breakfast and a conversation about the contribution of Hangklip-Kleinmond to the Overstrand's economy. The breakfast meeting was hosted by the Hangklip-Kleinmond Business Forum.



Executive Mayor Dudley Coetzee at the back listens attentively while Overstrand's Director of Economic Development and Tourism Soli Madikane addresses the breakfast attendees.

Speaking at the meeting, the Mayor said the Hangklip-Kleinmond area with its many and varied attractions contributes significantly to the economy of the Overstrand:

- Clarence Drive, one of the world's most scenic routes, runs straight through the centre of this area, bringing tourists not only to the Hangklip-Kleinmond area but to the Overstrand in general.
- The Hangklip-Kleinmond area falls within the Kogelberg Biosphere which was South Africa's first registered biosphere stretching from Gordon's Bay to Kleinmond. This biosphere covers approximately 18 000 hectares and is one of only eight UNESCO heritage sites in South Africa.
- Betty's Bay is home to a colony of African penguins that have made their home at the old Waaigat Whaling Station at Stony Point. This colony is the only one where this unique species seems to be flourishing whilst colonies elsewhere in the country seem to be dwindling.
- Given its natural beauty, a number of prominent artists, actors, writers and photographers have chosen to settle here. This lends a certain charm to the

area whilst attracting a great following of visitors wishing to experience these artists' works. Here, Coetzee couldn't help but point out how gratifying it is to see that some of South Africa's top restaurants get their crockery from a well-known potter operating from Kleinmond, no less.

- And then, of course, there is the Arabella Hotel and Spa with its excellent conference facilities, the added benefit of a Blue Flag-accredited beach and the recent developments along the harbour front in Kleinmond.

"Local businesses undeniably play an essential part in the growth and development of our economy. There are, however, a range of factors that affect businesses and their potential to grow. The most important of these are the markets they serve. Businesses grow based on their ability to compete in the market place. Clearly, local businesses are the drivers for creating jobs, providing services and products and improving the quality of life of our local residents, whilst simultaneously enhancing the experience of tourists in our area.



Pictured at a recent breakfast meeting of the Hangklip-Kleinmond Business Forum held at the Kleinmond Golf Course: Hester and Lourens van der Merwe from Overberg Brochure Management, Anecia Abrahams from Hangklip-Kleinmond Tourism, Mayor Dudley Coetzee, Councillor Charmaine Resandt and chairperson of the Hangklip-Kleinmond Business Forum Kobus le Roux.

"For this reason, we as local authority will continue to support the local business forum in their all-important endeavour to ensure that businesses, be they big or small, have a say in how this beautiful part of our coast is to be developed to its full potential for the benefit of all," the Mayor said.

### FYNARTS GOING "ORCHESTRAL" IN JUNE



A programme of wonderful music by Bach, Telemann, Pachelbel and Vivaldi titled "The Best of Baroque" will be presented by **Camerata Tinta Barocca**, South Africa's leading baroque orchestra, on Friday 8 June. On Saturday 9 June, Richard Cock will conduct the **FynArts Festival Orchestra** who will be joined by Timothy Moloi (baritone) and Lauren Dasappa (soprano). Enjoy a musical journey ranging from New York to Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah* with two dynamic musical artists who performed at major international and national events. In **A Feast of Opera and Operetta** on Sunday 10 June, Richard Cock will once again be presenting beautiful and well-known music. The large orchestra and massed choir will be joined by acclaimed and popular soloists, **Cecilia Rangwanasha** (soprano) and **Johannes Slabbert** (baritone). Tickets are available at Hermanus Tourism, while tickets and detailed programmes can also be obtained online from [www.hermanusfynarts.co.za](http://www.hermanusfynarts.co.za).



### OVERSTRAND CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

As part of Overstrand Municipality's endeavour to deliver quality services to its customers, the public is informed that a customer satisfaction survey will be conducted during the months of May and June 2018. This survey will be conducted throughout the Overstrand and will be targeted at Overstrand's municipal clients and relevant stakeholders. The research will be conducted by FEM Research Consultants, and Overstrand Municipality intends to use the results and recommendations stemming from this study to grow and improve its customer service and related initiatives. For this reason, Overstrand Municipality kindly requests your cooperation when approached by the research team. Thank you for helping us to improve our services to you. *For more information regarding this notice, please contact the Communication Department on 028 313 8911.*

### NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 MAYORAL AWARDS AWAITED

We are calling on people across Overstrand to put forward nominations for the 2018 Mayoral Awards. A prestigious event will be hosted by Overstrand's Executive Mayor Dudley Coetzee on 4 October to recognise the efforts of those individuals, groups and organisations who have had a positive impact on their communities and who are consistently willing to go the extra mile. *Members of the public are welcome to nominate an individual or organisation for any of the categories listed below:*

- Category 1:** Achievers of Excellence
- Category 2:** Woman of the Year
- Category 3:** Environmental Conservation
- Category 4:** Entrepreneurial Achievements
- Category 5:** Tourism Development
- Category 6:** Junior Achiever

Call Doret Taljaard on 028 313 8058 to request a copy of the nomination form. Duly completed forms must be forwarded by e-mail to [dtaljaard@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:dtaljaard@overstrand.gov.za) or hand-delivered to the Office of the Mayor by no later than 31 August 2018.

# SUBMIT A BUILDING PLAN

If you're planning on building a new home or extending your current one, you'll need to have your building plans approved by the municipality. Before purchasing an already built house, it is wise to have a look at the approved building plans of the property to see if everything is legal and in order. Remember, once you purchase a property, you become the rightful owner and the onus then rests on you to make sure that everything is in order and complies with the National Building Regulations and Building Standards Act, Act 103 of 1977, and any other applicable legislation.

- Building services application forms are available on Overstrand's website [www.overstrand.gov.za](http://www.overstrand.gov.za): Click on Documents/Forms/Building Services.

## BUILDING PLANS

All building plans are available at the Building Services offices and can be viewed at any time during office hours. Copies of building plans are also available (fee payable), but only owners or someone with written permission/confirmation from the owners concerned are allowed to view or receive copies. The approval of building plans can take up to 21 working days, provided no problems are found on the plans.

Contact the respective Building Services Department at your closest administration for building plan meeting dates.

- **HERMANUS ADMINISTRATION ONLY** - Building plan meetings are held every Monday. The cut-off time for the submission of plans for the following Monday is 15:30 on the preceding Wednesday.

## HERITAGE

Buildings that are 60 years and older are protected by the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999. Any alterations to such buildings are subject to comment from the Local Heritage and Aesthetics Committee which then has to be sent (by the owner) to Heritage Western Cape for approval. Thereafter, plans must be returned to the Building Services Department for approval. So, before attempting to make any alterations to a house/building where you suspect the age thereof is 60 years or more, it is wise to consult the Building Services Department to confirm the heritage status of the house/building or site.

## THE PROCESS

Submit two sets of plans (in colour), together with a full copy of the title deed and a fully completed SANS application form. Once the above-mentioned documents have been submitted, the Building Services Department will calculate the building plan fees and builder's deposit (where needed).

- The Building Services Department will notify you when your plans are ready for collection.

## COMPULSORY INSPECTIONS

No building may be occupied until an occupation certificate has been issued to the owner.

### 1. Foundation inspection

To be requested once foundation excavation of the building has been set out and excavated in accordance with the approved plan (which must be available on site).

#### - All boundary pegs must be visible

The foundation excavations must always be inspected by the building inspector, even if a professional engineer has been appointed. An inspection form must be filled in at the Building Services Department one day prior to the inspection.

### 2. Drainage inspections

To be requested once the drainage work on the property has been completed and the pipes are lying open for inspection.

### 3. Tank inspections

To be requested once the sewerage tank (either 5 000ℓ or 10 000ℓ) has been completed. It has to be inspected by the Building Services Department before the Operational Department can test and connect the tank. **Take note: No plastic tanks will be allowed.**

### 4. Final inspection

To be requested once the building has been totally completed. Certain certificates may be requested by the department before the inspection can be approved:

- Engineer's Certificate for the roof structure
- Glazing Certificate for all new glass installed
- Gas Installation / Health and Safety Certificate for gas (to be installed by registered installer)
- Architect's Compliance Certificate which also covers the new Energy Sufficiency Regulations (SANS 10400 PART XA).

After the final inspection has been approved, the occupation certificate will be issued and the builder's deposit (if applicable) refunded. **Take note: The builder's deposit is normally credited to your municipal account and not refunded in cash.**

## Where to find the Building Services Department:

### HERMANUS ADMINISTRATION

- 16 Paterson Street, House nr 2 • Tel: 028 313 8089 • [tfisher@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:tfisher@overstrand.gov.za)

### GANSBAAI ADMINISTRATION

- 1 Kapokblom Street • Tel 028 384 8321

### STANFORD ADMINISTRATION

- 17 Queen Victoria Street • Tel: 028 341 8500
- [ncornelius@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:ncornelius@overstrand.gov.za)

### KLEINMOND ADMINISTRATION

- 37 Fifth Avenue • Tel: 028 271 8427
- [mbozman@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:mbozman@overstrand.gov.za)



# LOOK OUT FOR THE PINK BUOYS!



The crew of NSRI Station 17 Hermanus hosted an evening to thank donors for the handover of the pink rescue buoys.

Pictured here are Senior Manager: Operational Services for the Hermanus Administration Jean de Villiers (left), Mike and Elaine Bayer of the Beanery with their children, Seugnet Martin and Lilani Radley of Wooden Ways and Jacques Mangiagalli from Hermanus Round Table 267 as well as NSRI's Deon Langenhoven. Unfortunately, Holly Bellingham of Sumaridge, Ryno van der Berg from BDC Wireless, DeWaal Steyn of the Village News, the team from Talisman Tool Hire, Drikus and Wietske de Wet as well as Suzanne and the team from Serendipity Bar at De Kelders could not attend the function.

Many people are concerned that the pink buoys will be removed from the signs but, as expected, that has not been a major problem. The pink buoys that were removed from the Kleinmond lagoon were (thankfully) returned within days. "For this project to work, communities must take ownership of their buoys. In this way, we can save lives together," Langenhoven added.

# NO LACK OF TEAM SPIRIT DURING OVERSTRAND SPORTS FESTIVAL!



The exciting finals in the Overstrand Sports Festival, held at Hawston Sport Grounds on Saturday 21 April proved the great quality of sport talent in the Overstrand. On the rugby field Hawston triumphed over Kleinmond with 52 - 24. In the TWENTY / 20-format cricket, Kleinmond batted first and scored 56 runs. Hawston won with only one wicket down in the Eighth over. The Hermanus Netball team won the Netball Challenge against the Mount Pleasant rivals. Gansbaai managed to walk away with the "Legends" soccer trophy for the more senior players. Young Ideas won the soccer final against Team iThemba. Both teams are from Zwelihle.

# WATER RESTRICTIONS IN HERMANUS: State of affairs as at 30 April 2018

Hermanus had 29.2 mm of rain during April 2018, amounting to a total of 137.8 mm since 1 January 2018. The long-term average annual rainfall for Hermanus is 620 mm per year. During April 2018, Hermanus' average daily water demand amounted to 9.3 million litres per day, compared to 10.8 million litres per day during April 2017. This boils down to a saving of 14.2% (or 46.2 million litres of water) during April compared to the same month last year. At this point in time, no further tariff increases to restrict water usage will be implemented during May in Hermanus. This situation will, however, be re-assessed towards the end of May.

- The Buffels River dam, which supplies water to Rooi-Elis, Pringle Bay and Betty's Bay, still stands at 80.5% of its capacity, while the Kraaibosch dam in Gansbaai stands at 76.6% and the Pearly Beach dam at 100%.

- To date, the boreholes supplying Hermanus, Stanford, Baardskeedersbos and Buffeljagsbaai have not been adversely affected by the drought.

Overstrand Municipality will continue to monitor the water supply situation in all areas under its jurisdiction, and additional measures will be instituted as and when necessary.

