



WARD 1 SITE VISIT
27 OCTOBER 2025



INTRODUCTION

Ald Dudley Coetzee, accompanied members of the Ward 1 Committee on a Visit to the Stanford Waste Water Treatment Plant. The following members attended:

- Mr Wilson Damon
- Mr Dave Hagen
- Mr Kevin Husk
- Mr Richard King
- Official: Ms Seulene de Villiers

Date of the tour: Monday,
27 October 2025 at 15h30 –
17h00

- Overstand officials:
- Mr Hanré Blignaut
- Mr Patrick Robinson
- Veolia officials:
- Mr Coenie Loubser
- Ms René Pretorius
- Mr Dylan Plaatjies



Mr. Coenie Laubser (Veolia) extended a warm welcome to everyone present and covered a few important safety points to ensure the wellbeing of all attendees while on site.





All domestic sewage from Stanford's sewer network flows by gravity or via pump stations into the plant's inlet works.



Coarse screens remove rags, plastics, and other debris to protect downstream equipment.



During the site visit, ward committee members raised several concerns and questions regarding the functionality, capacity, and maintenance of the wastewater treatment plant.





All matters were professionally and comprehensively addressed by **Mr. Laubser**, **Mr. Hanré Blignaut**, and **Mr. Patrick Robinson**, who provided detailed explanations and updates on the plant's operations, future upgrades, and compliance measures.



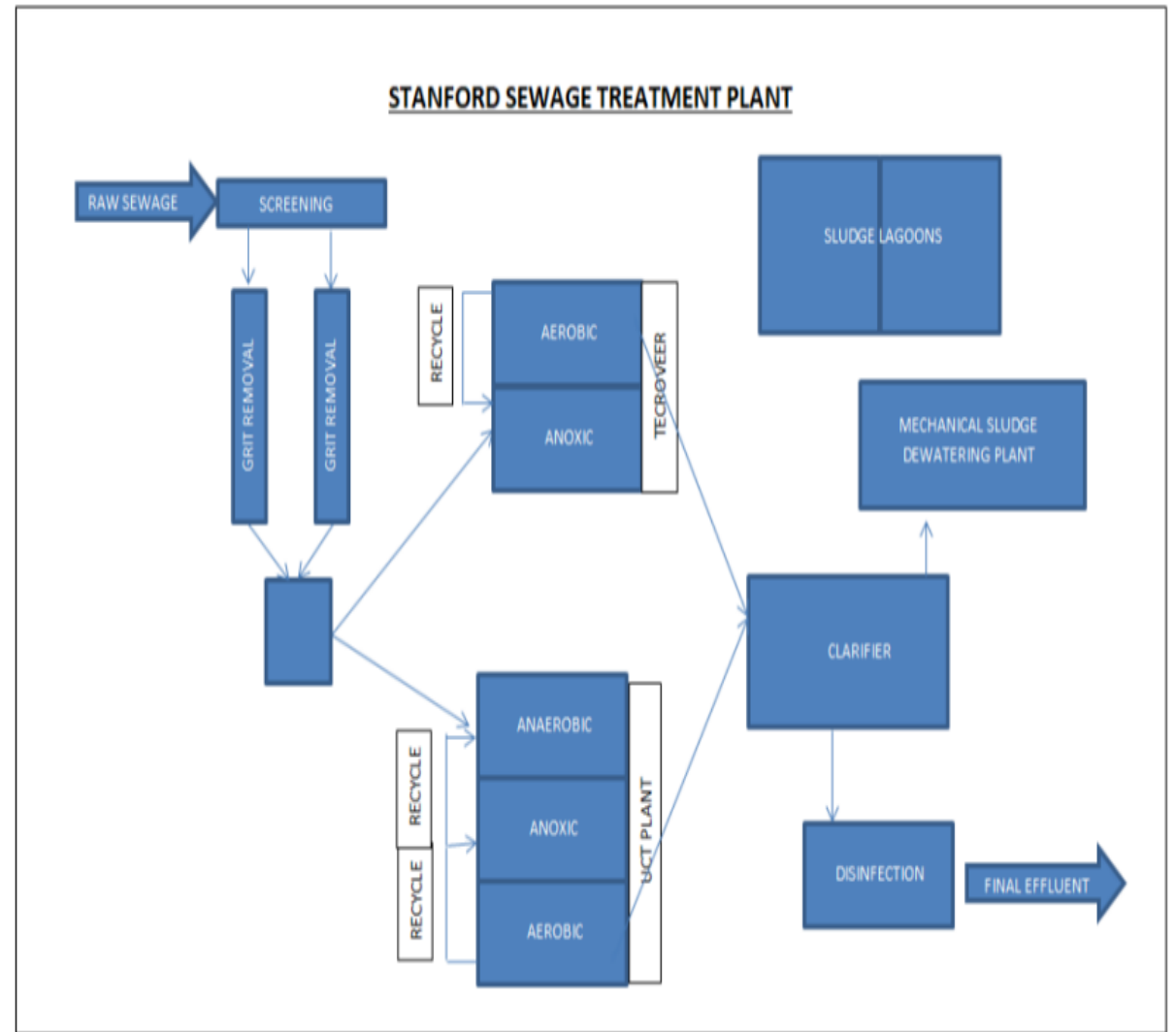
Their input ensured a transparent and constructive discussion, promoting better understanding and collaboration between municipal officials and ward representatives.





The site visit was conducted to evaluate the current progress of operations and maintenance at the Stanford Wastewater Treatment Works. The visit aimed to provide ward committee members with an opportunity to observe the facility's condition, review ongoing improvements, and address concerns related to wastewater management and environmental compliance.





Question & Answer Session addressed by Mr Hanré Blignaut:

1. Q: Better understanding of the overall working of the plant.
A: Refer to process diagram, as also explained.
2. Q: Performance – It's performance over the past 12 months and recurring issues/issues of concern to the municipality/service providers.
A: 86% compliance
3. Q: Costs – Operating and maintenance costs.
A: ±R3,10/kl
4. Q: Capacity – It's capacity to deal with the expected growth of Stanford over the next 5+ years.
A: The plant will require upgrade in the medium term.
5. Q: Constraints – Limitations of its ability to perform as intended.
A: The plant is performing well – refer to (2) above.
6. Q: Compliance – Does it comply with prevailing legislation regarding treatment, and specifically, concerns that effluent (treated/untreated) may be discharged into the Klein River.
A: Good compliance is achieved.



**THE END
CLOSING TIME 17H00
THANK YOU**