



WARD COMMITTEE: WARD 11
WYKSKOMITEE: WYK 11

Minutes of an Ordinary Ward Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 10 February 2025, at the Council Chambers, Municipal Offices, Gansbaai at 14:00.

Notule van 'n Gewone Wykskomitee vergadering wat gehou is op Dinsdag, 10 Februarie 2025, in die Raadsaal, Munisipale Kantore, Gansbaai om 14:00.

PRESENT

Committee members:

Ald R de Coning (Chairperson) : Councillor

Me / Ms Shirley Coetzee : Pearly Beach Ratepayers' Association
Mnr / Mr Archibald Chambers : Franskraal Ratepayers' Association
Me / Ms Elrina Versfeld : Pearly Beach Conservancy
Mnr / Mr Leon le Roux : Baardskeerdersbos Home Owners' Association
Mnr / Mr Marthinus Holtzhausen : Klipfonteyn Home Owners' Association
Mnr / Mr Henry Dyers : Buffeljachsbaai Area
Mnr / Mr Sipele Nkebe : Eluxolweni Community
Mnr / Mr Willem van der Merwe : Franskraal Buurtweg
Mnr / Mr Maria Hoffman : Eluxolweni Youth
Mnr / Mr Waldo Shaw : Viljoenshof

Officials:

M Swart : Public Liaison: Administrator Gansbaai/Stanford

Other:

Naomi le Roux : Observer BBHOA

1.	WELCOME Ald de Coning welcomed those present Mr Archie Chambers opened the meeting with prayer. Ald de Coning informed the committee about Ms S Coetzee who is hospitalised and requested the members to please keep her in their prayers. NOTED
2.	APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Cllr S Fourie (Ward 11 Councillor), M Middleton (Acting Public Liaison: Gansbaai/Stanford), Ms S Venter (Viljoenshof) the secundi, Mr Waldo Shaw is present during the meeting, Dr Paul Giess (BBHOA), Mr Leon le Roux is present during the meeting and Ms S Coetzee (PBRPA).

	<p><u>RESOLVED:</u> That leave of absence be granted to Ms S Venter (Viljoenshof), Dr P Giess (BBHOA) and Ms Shirley Coetzee (PBRPA)</p>	
3.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: 10 NOVEMBER 2025	
	<p><u>RESOLVED:</u> That the minutes of the public meeting held on 10 November 2025 be confirmed</p> <p>Proposed: Mr W van der Merwe Seconded: Ms E Versfeld</p>	
4.	ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA	
4.1	<p>K53</p> <p>Ald de Coning informed the members that the final phase of the project is the completion of the testing station and that the sad news is that in the current financial year there is no funding available on the adjustment budget to complete this project. She however informed the committee that funding will be made available during the new financial year commencing on 1 July 2026 and further informed the members that the project is currently in the tender phase and that one quotation was submitted for R2 million. She also mentioned that Cllr Fourie will keep this committee updated on the process of this project.</p> <p>NOTED</p>	
4.2	<p>Landfill site: Gansbaai</p> <p>Ald de Coning gave a thorough feedback report and PowerPoint Presentation on the informative meeting she attended concerning the evaluation and processes of the landfill site in Gansbaai. She informed the members present that the outcome of the evaluation of the landfill site in Gansbaai was 99,80%. Ald de Coning and the members of the committee of Ward 11 extended their gratitude and congratulated Mr Craig Mitchell and the team for the sufficient way they are managing and handling the processes at the landfill site in Gansbaai.</p> <p>NOTED</p>	
5.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: WARD COMMITTEE 10 NOVEMBER 2025</p> <p>None</p> <p>NOTED</p>	
6.	NEW MATTERS	
6.1	<p>Adjustment Budget:</p> <p>Ald de Coning reported on the Capital budget and Ward Specific Funding made available in the Adjustment Budget for Ward 11. (See Annexure "A" attached to the minutes)</p> <p>NOTED</p>	

6.2	<p>Ward Committee Elections (Ward Committee Rules):</p> <p>Ald de Coning reported that the formal Ward Committee Election usually commences after the local Municipal Elections. She referred to the Ward Committee Rules, an item contained in the agenda and expressed the importance of this document and specifically emphasised on the Objectives (Item no. 2, Page 1) of a ward committee.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
6.3	<p>Alien Clearing / Fire Breaks (BBHOA and PB Conservation)</p> <p>Ald de Coning reported that she lodged a request to the MM for a Workshop be held as soon as possible to engage on how to change or better the current system for the clearing of properties within the area of the Overstrand Municipality.</p> <p>Ms E Versfeld enquired on if there is a contractor for the clearing of plots. Ald de Coning replied no not of which she is aware of. Ms E Versfeld also elaborated on the importance of such a contractor and used the Pearly Beach area as an example of an area surrounded by agricultural land and further expressed her opinion that the policy on Plot Clearing needs to be revised and amended.</p> <p>Ald de Coning mentioned that she requested a report from the Fire Chief Lester Smith on the recent fires and offered to circulate the report to the members of Ward 11 once received.</p> <p>Ald de Coning and the members of the committee of Ward 11 extended their gratitude to the farmers who assisted with the firefighting during the recent fires, and she elaborated on what an impact their assistance made and emphasised the importance of the key role they played in fighting the recent fires.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
7.	<p>MATTERS FOR INFORMATION</p> <p>Ald de Coning gave a thorough report on the R53 Million written off as bad debt by the Overstrand Municipality and explained the difference in actions taken before and after September 2025 as well as the difference in actions taken between properties of the value above R500 000.00 and those under the value of R500 000.00.</p> <p>NOTED</p>
8.	<p>MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AND REPORT BACK TO WARD COMMITTEE</p> <p><i>All items for the Council and Portfolio Committee meetings are available at the public libraries and on the municipal website</i></p> <p>NOTED</p>
9.	<p>NOTICES</p> <p>Ald de Coning informed the members of an invitation for Public Comment on the Draft Cannabis Regulations issued by the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development. She requested that Ms M Swart distribute the notice to the members of Ward 11 via email and requested the members to inform their organisations accordingly and encourage interested parties to lodge their comment.</p> <p>NOTED</p>

10.	CORRESPONDENCE	
	None	
	NOTED	
11.	NEXT MEETING	
	The date of next Ward Committee meeting will be scheduled during March 2026 at 14h00 and the schedule will be distributed in due course.	
	NOTED	
12.	CLOSING	
	The meeting closed at 15h02	