



**ORDINARY WARD COMMITTEE MEETING
OF WARD 8**

**GEWONE WYKSKOMITEE VERGADERING
VAN WYK 8**

MINUTES / NOTULE

DATE / DATUM: 15 SEPTEMBER 2025
VENUE / PLEK: LIBRARY, HAWSTON
TIME / TYD: 18:00

OVERSTRAND
MUNICIPALITY / MUNISIPALITEIT
MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY WARD COMMITTEE MEETING
OF WARD 8
HELD IN THE LIBRARY, HAWSTON
ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2025, AT 18:00

PRESENT

Ward Councillors:

Ald Frederick Africa	:	Chairperson
Ald E Gillion	:	Deputy Executive Mayor
Cllr RM Dees	:	Proportional Councillor

Committee members attended the meeting:

Ms Loretta Veldsman	:	Pearly Shells
Mr Thomas Swarts	:	Griqua National Conference
Ms Roxanne Ambrose	:	Fisherhaven Neighbourhood Watch
Mr Dinish Rajpaul	:	Fisherhaven Homeowner's Association
Mr Marco Dunsdon	:	Overstrand APD
Mr Raymond Haggard	:	Friends of Bot Estuary & Environs
Ms Lavinia Gillion	:	Hawston Neighbourhood Watch
Mr Alfred Beukes	:	Hawston Health & Welfare Organization
Mr Isai Claasen	:	Hawston Rugby Football Club

Officials:

Ms M Middleton	:	Administrator
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1.	OPENING AND WELCOME	
	The chairperson welcomed those present, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Cllr Dees. Noted	
2.	IS THE MEETING QUORATED?	
	Nine (9) members are present at the meeting. The meeting is thus 90% attendance and quorate. Noted	
3.	ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING	
3.1	17 June 2025	
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2025 be confirmed. Proposed: Mr R Haggard Seconded: Mr D Rajpaul Noted	
3.2	11 August 2025	
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2025 be confirmed. Proposed: Ms R Ambrose Seconded: Mr T Swarts Noted	
3.3	02 September 2025	
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 02 September 2025 be confirmed. Proposed: Mr D Rajpaul Seconded: Mr R Haggard Noted	
4.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – 17 June 2025	
4.1	House Shop / Spaza: Hawston Area	
	The Chairperson will request the Public Safety Directorate to give feedback at the next meeting. Noted	

4.2	Wheelchair Access: Hawston	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that the municipality are busy with the costing and drawings of the proposal, and they will start at George Viljoen Street.	
	Noted	
4.3	Hawston Camping Site: Stormwater	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that Mr T Steenberg informed Mr T Marx that this is a priority and work will commence soon.	
	Noted	
4.4	Ward Delimitation	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that they will most probably receive the outcome of this process by next month (October 2025).	
	Noted	
5.	STATEMENT BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR	
5.1	IDP/Budget – 2026/27	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that committee members, along with their constituencies, are required to bring proposals for presentation at the IDP public meeting scheduled for November 2025.	
	Noted	
5.2	Challenges – Thusong Centre, Hawston	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that youth organizing discos and dancing events at Thusong Hall have been exceeding the 250-person capacity, allowing smoking of illegal substances, causing vomiting inside and outside the hall, and littering cigarette butts. Such behavior will no longer be tolerated. With only R1 million available to maintain all facilities in the Overstrand area, the committee emphasized that those hiring the hall must comply with stricter rules or risk losing rental privileges. Committee members suggested implementing a higher deposit, enforcing stricter rules, improving security, conducting inspections before and after events, and prohibiting alcohol, especially due to the presence of underage children at these parties.	
	Noted	
5.3	Applications for Streetlights	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that two requests had been received for additional streetlights on Broadway- and School Street. He requested Mr. Rajpaul to investigate whether extra streetlights are truly necessary. The Chairperson will also contact the manager of the electrical department regarding the process to apply for streetlights. It was noted that the municipality is responsible for the maintenance of streetlights, while Eskom handles the installation.	
	Noted	

5.4	Request for Speedbumps	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that a request had been received for additional speedbumps in Broadway Street.</p> <p>Mr. Rajpaul reported that Mr. Hendriks indicated the speedbumps were removed during roadworks but will be re-installed once the work is completed.</p> <p>The Chairperson requested Mr. Rajpaul to contact Mr. Hendriks and provide feedback at the next meeting.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
5.5	Request for Extra Light in Carlton Crescent	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that he received a letter from Mr. Jantjies regarding extra lighting and spotlights in Carlton Crescent. According to him new lights were already installed in that street.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
5.6	Service Delivery & Ward Reports	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that the report was circulated to everyone. From the 1481 job cards registered, 1463 were completed and 18 are still outstanding, which result in a 98.78% completion.</p> <p>He encouraged the members to please register on the Collab Citizen App to report service delivery requests, as you receive a reference number on which follow-ups can be made.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
6.	REVIEW OF THE WARD IDP PRIORITIES FOR 2026/2027	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that everyone received the updated IDP priority list and requested comments from the meeting.</p> <p>Recommended That the IDP wishlist be approved as amended at the Special Ward Committee Meeting dated 11 August 2025.</p> <p>Proposed: Mr A Beukes Seconded: Mr D Rajpaul</p>	
7.	WSP 2026/27	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that committee members, along with their constituencies, are required to send proposals to him for consideration.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
8.	STREET NAMES & ROAD MARKS	
	<p>Mr. Beukes informed the meeting that the street name signs in Hopland are in poor condition and that there are no stop street markings.</p>	

	<p>The Chairperson noted that he had also reported the condition of street signs in The Heights, China Marais Street, and Farm Street. Mr. Rajpaul reported that Mr. Steenberg confirmed road markings will be addressed once the resurfacing of the roads is completed.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
9.	LAND AVAILABLE FOR BUSINESS	
	<p>Mr. Claasen informed the meeting that Harriesbaai Co-op requested a piece of land for bamboo processing. The Chairperson confirmed that the request has been received and is currently being processed as a priority on the IDP. Ms. Gillion noted that formal procedures must be followed and that the Municipal Manager had been informed. Correspondence was exchanged between Harriesbaai and Ms. A. le Roux. Erf 2394, located opposite the school, was identified as a possible site; however, concerns were raised regarding fleas and unpleasant odours associated with bamboo processing, which could pose health risks. The Chairperson has since engaged with the Municipal Manager to explore alternative erven, and a letter was sent to the Municipal Manager earlier today.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
10.	SPEEDCALMING & STREET NAMES	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that he requested street names from the committee at the previous meeting, but he received no feedback.</p> <p>Committee members suggested that the following streets be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloete-, Lindford- & Mountain Drive • Calcutta Street • Kerk- and Farm Road • Church extension <p>Noted</p>	
10.	UPGRADING OF CIRCLES	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that Mr T Marx accompanied him on a site visit. Dover-, Acacia- and Aberdeen circles were identified to be upgraded.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
12.	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
	<p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that he will send the list for the new financial year to all members via whatsapp.</p> <p>Noted</p>	

13.	OPERATIONAL REQUESTS	
	See point 5.	
	Noted	
14.	GRASS CUTTING	
	The Chairperson informed the meeting that he had received requests concerning Bo-Dorp, which have been forwarded to the administration. He will follow up on the matter. Members were requested to submit any urgent sidewalk issues directly to the Chairperson. The Chairperson further emphasized that community members must begin to take ownership of their areas. He noted that municipal services are costly, and if the community expects continuous service delivery, they must be prepared to pay for it — which is currently not affordable.	
	Noted	
15.	HAWSTON THUSONG CENTRE	
	See point 5.	
	Noted	
16.	PROGRESS ON ROADS & STORMWATER	
	Mr Rajpaul informed the meeting that the gravel road project is finished. Ms Ambrose informed the meeting that some of the speedbumps were damaged during the grading of the roads. The Chairperson informed her to give the exact address to him to follow-up. The Chairperson will organize a meeting with a Fisherhaven delegation to discuss specifically the roads in the area. Mr Haggard enquired regarding parking for the school busses. The Chairperson will discuss the matter with Ms A le Roux.	
	Noted	
17.	STREETLIGHT REQUESTS – 59 SCHOOL- & 76 BROADWAY STREET	
	See point 5.	
	Noted	

18.	UPGRADE OF FISHERHAVEN ENTRANCE	
	<p>Mr Rajpaul informed the meeting that the wall was painted by one of the estate owners. The garden will be done by the 2nd week of October.</p> <p>Mr Rajpaul requested whether they can get access to the water point to water the gardens. The Chairperson requested Mr Rajpaul to send a request to him, which will be forwarded to Mr T Steenberg.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
19.	WELCOME BOARD – FISHERHAVEN	
	<p>Mr. Rajpaul informed the meeting that the “Water Scarce” board had blown off and was found broken beside the road. A new design is planned for the replacement board.</p> <p>The Chairperson stated that any such request must be submitted through the ward committee and comply with municipal by-laws. The request will be forwarded to the Planning & Development Directorate.</p> <p>The Chairperson inquired whether the kiosk is still in use. Mr. Rajpaul responded that an upgrade is planned, but the rubbish depot next to the kiosk must first be repositioned.</p> <p>The Chairperson will engage with the relevant department to propose that the municipality take responsibility for the rubbish depot if the Fisherhaven community agrees to take responsibility for the kiosk.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
20.	AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING	
	<p>Ward Committee members to submit items for the next agenda directly to the Ward Councillor or to Ms M Middleton in due time.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
21.	NOTICES	
	<p>NONE</p> <p>Noted</p>	
22.	GENERAL	
	<p>Mr. Rajpaul thanked the municipality, especially Mr. Steenberg, for the work done in the Fisherhaven area. He noted that Phase 3 of the school project will commence soon, but a location is needed to store topsoil. The Chairperson will identify potential sites and provide feedback.</p> <p>The Chairperson informed the meeting that a Project Liaison Committee meeting is scheduled for 17 September 2025 to discuss the next phase of the school project. Ward committee members will serve on this committee, and Mr. Rajpaul was requested to provide feedback at the next meeting.</p> <p>Noted</p>	

23.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	<p>The Chairperson informed everyone present that the next meeting will be the site visits in October 2025 where capital projects will be visited. Members were requested to submit any critical areas that need to be visited to the Chairperson.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
24.	CLOSURE	
	<p>Meeting closed at 19:25.</p> <p>Noted</p>	