

# MRRA & MRNW PUBLIC MEETING

23 February 2016

**In attendance**

Approximately 35 residents

**Honourable Guests**

**CCT**

Ward 4 Cllr Dr Joy McCarthy

**CPF**

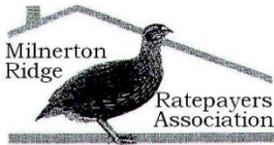
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## AGENDA

Dr Joy McCarthy

Ward 4 Demarcation



Milnerton Ridge Ratepayers Association

Vagrants 🐦 C3's 🐦 Rietvlei 🐦 Traffic Calming 🐦 Other



Milnerton Ridge Neighbourhood Watch

General Feedback 🌟 Security 🌟 Crime Stats 🌟 Social 🌟 Wish List

**THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING OUR MEETING – WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!**

# Milnerton Ridge Ratepayers Association

Present: Rolf Spaeth CHAIRMAN , W Jacobsen, T Ludwig, L Ludwig, J Pember, A Lombard  
Apologies: Keith Southgate



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## Service requests

C3s for tree trimming, the state of the road surface of Scottsville Way and the sad state of the council land (erf 14445) opposite the Lions club have been submitted.

Residents are urged to submit C3 service requests on the council website ([www.capetown.gov.za](http://www.capetown.gov.za) – service requests) as the more service requests are submitted the quicker the response and action by the council.



### Traffic Calming Measures

After the construction of the numerous speed humps in Milnerton Drive some motorists have taken to using **Fairview Crescent** , a road that has no stop streets or speed humps. This has created a dangerous situation as some cars speed along this road.

Before applying to the council for suitable traffic calming measures to implemented on Fairview Crescent, we will give residents the opportunity to have their say in an online survey.

## vagrancy

The issue of trying to curb the influx of vagrants into our suburb and surrounds is an ongoing task.

Residents have complained of loitering and public drinking taking place at the Gallery shopping centre especially over weekends. The MRRA has contacted the Gallery centre management regarding this and received the following information:

The fencing at the back of the centre will be extended so that no sleeping can occur under the stairs. The centre is also changing their security company in an effort to improve the controlling of the centre and surrounding area.

The waste recycling initiative by CleanC is having a positive effect regarding the bin pickers on Monday mornings. The number of bin pickers may not have reduced, but the time they spend in Milnerton Ridge is less as a fair number of bins now do not have any recyclable material in them.

The park below the Paddocks centre falls under the Royal Ascot management (RAMPOA). The issue of vagrants there is always an item at the monthly Environmental management committee (EMC) meeting. Residents are urged to contact law enforcement or Crime Watch if vagrants are noticed to be sleeping there.

Dr Joy McCarthy mentioned that beggars at the Racecourse Rd/R27 intersection will continue to be there as long as motorists provide handouts. She urged all to rather support the Give Responsibly campaign and support an institution of their choice.

### Other Issues

The **Lions Club** house roof is being cleaned prior to being repainted. The concern regarding asbestos contamination due to a high pressure hose being used was raised. We passed this concern onto the Lions and were assured that they are aware of the danger, but that the asbestos roof does have a sealant covering under the paint and they do not see any contamination danger.



The non-painted state of the repaired wall at the **corner of Fairview Cr/Milnerton Drive** does not give a good impression when entering Milnerton Ridge. We will approach the residents to paint the wall. An offer of donating paint was even made by one resident.

The possibility of placing a mirror at the **corner of Fairview Cr near Fairview Close** to increase visibility at that corner was raised again. RS has approached council for this.

**Paddocks park watering:** Residents have noticed that the parks are being watered outside the council watering schedule. RAMPOA has applied for and received an exemption to do watering outside the watering schedule.



The possibility of connecting the water supply for the parks to the recycled water supply was investigated by the EMC, but found not feasible due to excessive nutrients in this water not being compatible with the type of plants in the park.



### Rietvlei

The permission to carry out vehicle patrols along the canal in the Rietvlei reserve as and when deemed necessary by MRNW was extended by the PAAC at the January 2016 meeting.

RS thanked the committee for this permission.

Next Meeting TBA



# Milnerton Ridge Neighborhood Watch



**Present:** Mark, Jacqui, Wouter, Hinrich, Maureen  
**Apologies:** Terence, Andre, Alex

**MEMBERSHIP STATUS:** 265 Members (165 Households)  
49 new members since September 2015.  
*Please encourage your neighbours to join us and become another pair of eyes for our suburb. Membership does not place anyone under any obligation to participate in active patrols!*

## CRIMEWATCH PARTNERSHIP UPDATE



We have only managed to gain 7 new Crimewatch members since our last meeting. This means that we are unfortunately still short of 40 new customers before we reach the targeted 320 needed in order to secure the dedicated patrol vehicle for the area.



TO JOIN OUR LATE NIGHT 'WALKING CLUB', PLEASE CONTACT HINRICH ON 0825721856



## SAPS VOLUNTEERS – MILNERTON

A group of 6 volunteers continue to offer some of their time to help out for 1 to 2 weekly shifts at the station.

Under the leadership of resident **Ina Du Plessis**, this team continues to be a huge help to SAPS. Please contact Ina on **0834140606** if you feel you can spare the time to assist. No special skills needed other than a great attitude and willingness to help people.



**Know Your Alarm System Components**  
by Tommy Milakovic  
CRIMEWATCH



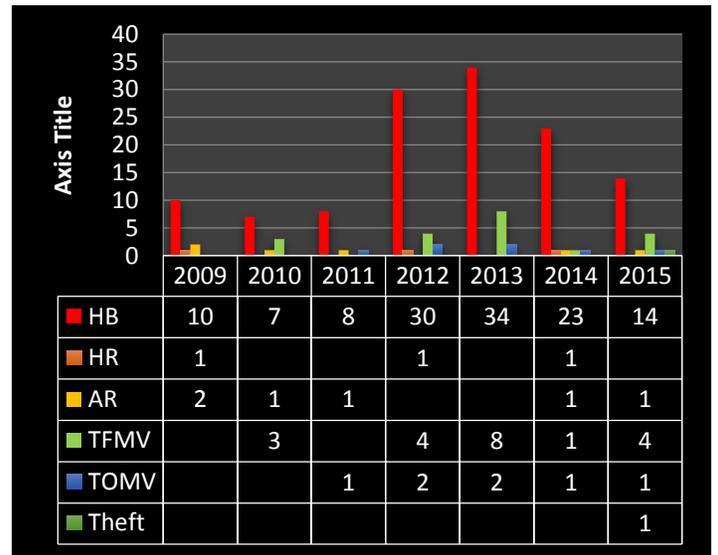
## CRIME HOTSPOTS

- Sunset Beach Parking  
Theft out of Motor Vehicles
- N7/Platteklouf Rd  
Smash & Grab
- Milnerton Library  
Vehicle Theft
- Paddocks  
Remote Jamming

## CRIME STATS

As per previously reported trends, crime has reduced substantially in our area. However, now is not the time to become complacent – the criminals have just turned their attention to our neighbouring suburbs but will soon be squeezed out of those due to increased measures being implemented in those, and then are likely to return for easier pickings. Criminals are becoming more sophisticated (and desperate!) and know the shortcomings of our security systems, as explained by Tommy - see link above.

So we need to look sharp and upgrade where possible – add layers to existing alarm systems and install the basics where there isn't anything yet. Please take advantage of Crimewatch's financing option or at the very least, join our [patrol roster](#) to help keep an eye on the neighbourhood - at night especially.



The following events are done and dusted with **many thanks** to all residents who participated...

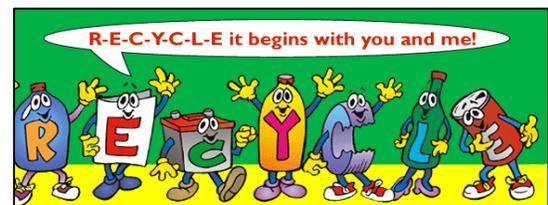
- Cupcakes for Kids with Cancer Day
- Halloween
- SAPS Appreciation Tea
- Lions Club Domestic End of Year Tea Party



Please click on the graphics below for more information

# Wish List

THANK YOU



Although we have about 40 households participating in this excellent initiative, it is not yet enough to sustain the continued employment of the individuals being trained by Clean-C.

Please [join the project](#) – it's an indirect way of contributing towards the safety of our residents as it's reducing the need for vagrants to scratch in our bins.

