



Lyons One-Stop Construction shop



One of Lyons Construction's current projects, Lyons Village Apartments, in Humansdorp is set back for completion by July.

Though there has been little development in St Francis on the whole, Lyons Construction has grown by leaps and bounds in the past five years with several housing projects on the go, the most notable being its latest offering of affordable housing for business people.

But more than this, Lyons is no longer just a construction company; it is also a manufacturing enterprise. The company is forging ahead to become the complete one-stop construction shop for St Francis, offering all the necessary components and departments so that everything can be manufactured under its own roof - eliminating almost entirely going elsewhere to get anything, except the base products, such as glass or aluminium.

Lyons Construction company currently has the following divisions: Lyons Construction, Lyons Kitchen Solutions, Lyons Glass & Aluminium, Lyons Aluminium, Lyons Marine Storage, Lyons Marine Car Wash & Valet Service, and Lyons Plant Hire.

And with the continuous growth comes more employment of staff and managers, which is great for a town where development is largely stagnated. For example, owner, Vincent Lyons, says the Glass & Aluminium division caters for 15-20 jobs. This division, Vincent adds, enables modern home owners to do away with wooden window frames and use aluminium frames which have safety features.

Then old brack roofs in the town are being replaced with single roofs and Lyons has now entered this market by becoming an accredited shingle installer, supplying shingles in-house and sourced from the top supplier in Gauteng. This division will also employ more staff.

These are all big developments for a company which started out as a tiny scarcely noticed office in St Francis Drive, to a huge office complex in Taragona Road in the industrial area of Sea Vista today, with its nine divisions, increasing construction projects, particularly housing construction projects.



Superspar St Francis Bay Deli Staff, under team leader, Bakkie, are a happy, hard-working bunch always with a ready smile to serve hungry, prioritised, fussy or irritable customers with a big smile and efficiency. Photo: Bev Mottram.

In St Francis, to the latest projects, R23-million housing developments in Humansdorp.

Currently Lyons Construction, headed by Vincent Lyons and his team of 62 staff members, has 12-15 housing projects on the go in the St Francis areas of the Village, St Francis Links and the Canals.

Lyons believes in setting an example in business, improving community housing projects and offering business people more rental accommodation. The latter is sorely needed, owing to complete lack of affordable housing projects in the St Francis area.

Owing to this big rental shortage Vincent decided to create Lyons Village apartments in Humansdorp, which will offer 48 units for rental at the corner of Saffrey and Alexander Streets, from June 2018. The units will be upmarket apartments with enhanced finishes at affordable rentals - unlike in St Francis Bay where it is almost impossible to find anything decent to rent under R3000, making a place to live out of the reach of the majority of business' employees in St Francis, most of whom do not even earn that amount gross.

This foresighted move by Vincent will undoubtedly, he believes, bring changes in the area and improvement. It will for starters enable more skilled people to work in St Francis or other Kouga towns and their rentals will be from R4500 - R6300 per month.

The ground floor units will have gardens and there will be pre-paid electricity, undercover carports, a picnic and playground area, outside braai area and the apartments will be in a security complex, not far from the centre of Humansdorp.

This silling of the development makes it a central location between Humansdorp, St Francis and Jeffreys Bay, Vincent says.

Lyons Construction has other exciting future developments in the pipeline, all designed to improve and modernise buildings, taking into consideration safety aspects. Vincent is NOT stopping expansion plans. Watch this space.

-By Bev Mottram

Santarene-Port Action Committee

A Santarene Action group is being formed to discuss and list various items that need attention in the interests of all Santarene, St Francis on Sea, Otters Landing and the Port residents.

A small interested group met at the Links in January this year to pursue the formation of a group - to deal with residents' issues occurring in these areas, issues no longer handled by the St Francis Property Owners' association that now only looks after the Village and Canal areas.

The group plan to deal with the following:

- "To link to the overall St Francis Bay CCTV monitoring camera system to help limit and improve security of the area.
- "The identification and action to get pilot cleaning done to improve security and fire prevention.
- "To investigate the introduction of water from sewerage.
- "To look at improving public parking areas to enhance the image of the area for beach, rocks and nature reserve access.
- "To investigate the roads that need attention and endeavour to get neighbourly support to improve these general items.
- "To consider a Vision for the areas that can be the overall definition of what we would like to achieve if there is sufficient support and desire to make it happen.

"The group is should always be mindful of the costs and constraints to achieve this but hopefully it will fit in with the St Francis Bay 2030 Vision planning.

"In all instances the group will work with common interest groups such as the St Francis Property Owners Committee and the Kouga Council so as to be fully inclusive in its practice.

Once the committee has a list of items for future action it will share these with the relevant areas' residents and interested parties.

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1 JUNE 2018
*** 2 BEDS & 3 BEDS**
*** FULLY TILED**
*** UPMARKET FINISHES**
FROM: R4500 PM

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