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SFPO (Residents Assoc) News Briefs

Bridge on the Sand River

The bridge over the Sand River on the R330 is nearing completion with both lanes over the bridge now open.

It appears that the StopGo signs will be a thing of the past. The concrete barriers will remain in place to protect the workers and will be removed when work is completed. The permanent Armo barriers are already in place behind these concrete barriers.

Some landscaping, tree planting and general tidying up is still in progress and the staff compound is in the process of being demolished.

The project has been completed under budget and the contractors should be completely off-site by the middle of next month.

During the construction of the bridge, at any given time up to 30 Sea Vista residents were employed on the site. These workers received training in all aspects of basic construction work such as erecting scaffolding etc.

SRA Update

The 25 % of property rates levy began on 1 July and will be used to fund three projects:

*River, Spit and Beach

The work on restoring the revetments on the Beach and Spit is complete. All the work was funded by the property owners whose properties abutted the revetments. The only exception was the work done on the Anne Avenue Car Park section of the revetment that was funded by the SFPO. The SFPO does not have funds to either repair or extend the revetments on the Spit. Revetment repairs were made to the revetments between Aldabarra and Peter Creswell, George Road, Ralph Road, and Anne Avenue.

Authorisation (30 A) for Emergency Repairs to the Spit was granted in February. It was agreed with DEDEAT and the Kouga Municipality that SFPO would use sand bags on the Spit to help retain the sand being dredged onto the Spit. The SFPO submitted necessary documentation under the instruction of the EICD Frank Silberbauer, which was rejected by DEDEAT under the Emergency Authorisation and under the Phase 1 Authorisation. The purchased sand bags are now sitting at the Canal Harbour. This has been frustrating for Kouga Municipality and SFPO every instruction has been followed to ensure the right thing was done.

The SFPO has not been told the application to use sand bags has to include a level of requirements including a full revetment design, which is premature. The revetment design will form an integral part of the Phase 2 detailed design. In the mean time the SFPO will continue to dredge sand onto the seaward side of the spit.

*Roads

The SFPO NPC Technical Committee has met with the EASPE, the Consulting Engineers used for the survey of the roads and preliminary design. The first Roads project will be the upgrade of the entrance to the St Francis Bay at the circle.

*CCTV Cameras

The SFPO has selected its preferred CCTV service provider and will complete final negotiations during July. The project which will provide approximately 100 CCTV surveillance cameras, is due for completion by the end of November 2018.

Levy Affordability Relief

The SFPO has met with a number of people to find ways to provide financial relief to those property owners who cannot afford the SRA levy. The St Francis United Church is to implement a Levy affordability relief programme. The Church will administer this programme. An applicant does not need to be a member of the Church to apply for relief. The SFPO is not allowed to pay back a levy to a property owner using the SRA levy monies received, so other sources of funding will need to be secured e.g. donations, and events specifically organized to raise monies for this relief programme such as golf days, weekend markets, musical concerts, etc. The application for for those wanting to apply for relief is at: www.stfrancispropertyowners.co.za or from the St Francis United Church office or the SFPO office.

Other News

The Kouga Wind Farm has in principle approved the building of the pathway linking Sea Vista and the Sea Vista School to the Village centre. This will improve the safety and walking experience of pedestrians in St Francis Bay. The use of the Village Common for sports fields, recreation, a site for the United Church, and improved parking facilities is still awaiting transfer from the Department of Education to the municipality.

True Technologies' Computer shop in St Francis Bay



Tina & Arka Ekermans

True Technologies in Jeffreys Bay has opened a branch in St Francis Bay this month, much to the delight of local computer users who hitherto have had to travel out of town to purchase computer products.

The company, owned by husband and wife team Tina and Arka Ekermans, is excited to open a branch in St Francis to offer locals the convenience of having IT products and services available.

The new shop is situated in the St Francis Bay Village Square shopping centre to the left of Super-Spar entrance. Locals and visitors are invited to pop in and say hi to Tina and her lovely daughter, Arka, plus see the lovely range of computer equipment on sale.

The True Technologies workshop will initially remain in Jeffreys Bay so fully computers and notebooks will be sent to the JBay without charge so that they can be repaired there and then returned. True Technologies is committed to forging long-term relationships with its customers, assisting them to grow their businesses through shared ideas and innovative solutions.

True Technologies has been servicing the Kouga area since 1998. The company is also a national communications and network service provider registered by ICASA (IECS & IECSN). It offers ICT (Information and Communication Technology) products as well as services.

True Technologies has a team of 16 employees, who are often complimented on social media as being friendly, honest, reliable and service driven.

The couple's first shop opened at the JBay Spar Centre in 2010 and a second shop was then opened in 2009 at 12 De Gama (currently

Brewerkla). They moved to their own premise in Neptune's terrace a year or two later. When they outgrew that shop, they decided to move to their current store at Skaaukran street in Fountains Business Park in July 2015.

The TrueWAN wireless network was started in 2002 before ADSL came on the scene and offers Wireless internet for the Home and Business user with 24/7 local support.

VoIP and fax services are also offered and no phone lines are needed for internet, phone or fax services. Their infrastructure and network has constantly been developed and improved over the years and the fibre backbone at multiple sites offers redundancy, stability and impressive performance.

The real speed of an internet connection is latency and the connections usually has the lowest latencies (delays), which is why it's the choice of gamers and other users that need a responsive connection.

Due to using fibre True Technologies can also offer much better upload speed than ADSL, which is most useful in applications such as CCTV monitoring, cloud backup, VPN (virtual private network) and uploading of large files (eg for Photographers & web designers).

The company currently has a fully redundant high-availability server farm serving many network services on top of the TrueWAN network. These include Atomic-precision time servers (NTP), spam filtering and advanced firewall protected email and VoIP servers supporting many encrypted protocols as well as having a very versatile web interface.

True Technologies has continued to grow in an ever-changing IT and communications industry and will continue to do so in future!