

AGENDA FOR THE EXCO MEETING
of the
SEA POINT, FRESNAYE, BANTRY BAY RATEPAYERS
AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
held on
Thursday 26^h NOVEMBER 2020 at 17h30
via
Online platform Zoom

1. Welcome and Apologies

ME

Present: Michael Ender (Chair) Lydia Abel (Vice Chair)
Victor Morris (Treasurer) David Polovin
Miles October Yusuf Kadwa
Gordon Metz Ruth Friedmann
Cllr Nicola Jowell Toni van Eyssen (Coordinator)

Apologies: Juanita Levetan; Ari Vayanos; Marco van Embden

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting Approval (29 October 2020)

Proposer: David Polovin **Seconder:** Michael Ender

3. Matters Arising

ALL

4. Short Notice Agenda Items

4.1 Ilana Shone: Exco voting for co-opting as an Exco member **ME**

Ilana was not present at the Exco therefore this item will be **c/f** to next year's meeting.

5. Ward Councillor Feedback Report

Cllr NJ

A: Promenade:

- The new grass on the Marais & Rocklands section looks good;
- the Woof container has a 2-week limit to prevent the grass below from being destroyed. It's been very successful e.g. 25 dogs adopted in a weekend.
- Mural on the seawall at Rocklands has been a really lovely upgrade;
- a complaint about an allergic reaction on promenade must have had some other cause as there was no spraying in the area

B: Kei Apple & Regent Roads redesign: a process is now in place to meet with official Taxi groups and the Point Centre to discuss the plan for creating Taxi parking bays, disabled bays and motorbike bays on seaside of Regent Rd and down Cassel road. We are awaiting their responses.

C: An horrific **accident** occurred on Main Rd, Sea Point – apparently the drunk speedster involved was fatally injured - Rachel (RIP).

D: Hail n Ride Taxis: It was acknowledged that the City needs to recognise them as part of the transport system like the MyCiti, and provide a facility for them to park. E.g. Queens parking area. City is in discussion with Taxify & Uber.

E: PT1 & PT2 Parking Policy: The official response is not acceptable. Cllr will arrange a meeting with the political heads. SFB feels strongly that public participation

is very important for this matter to be taken forward.

CIlr NL

F: Rates: The system of the valuation of properties is not transparent and does not have a clear basis by which rates are determined. The process is not independent of the City. The appeal process is also unclear and not easy to negotiate. The entire rates determination process is problematic and somewhat arbitrary. SFB is keen to see an analysis of the appeal system indicating successful vs unsuccessful appeals. Numerous cases of processes bordering on extortion have been reported to SFB.

David P to write report on his experience of the process

DP

6. Ward Committee Member Feedback Report

JL

not available

7. Finance: Customer Age Analysis & Trial Balance

VM

The documents were tabled and discussed. The outstanding debtors bill was discussed. There is constant follow up month on month indicating some successes but others are being written off to reduce the debt profile.

8. Objects and merits of Project Hope

DP

It was agreed to have a separate meeting to discuss the profile of this project and how SFB will manage it going forward

TvE

9. Safety & Cleaning Initiative

9.1 Straatwerk - Proposed Budget and new programme

VM

There have been numerous requests to Straatwerk going back to Jan 2019 for the detailed info/tear sheets of the logged shifts and costs which should have accompanied the invoices for the last 2 years. They are urgently required to assess the ongoing relationship with Straatwerk. VM to Follow up.

9.2 Security

ME

There are discussions underway with the SP CID and other role-players in relation to new collaborations to provide optimal service to the SFB area.

10. Project H.O.P.E.

10.1 Fieldworker report

If the fieldworker position is to continue it will be SFB's responsibility to pay the salaries and fees for the fieldworkers and beach cleaners. The implications of these projects are under discussion.

10.2 Funding application to City

TvE/MO

This will now be done under PS4L.

11. SFB Planning Committee

GM

This committee deals with applications on an ongoing basis. This involves developing SFB policies for specific aspects such as illegal prior building works; heritage issues and departures for new buildings as well as parking policy issues. Members volunteer to attend meetings at Council dealing with these issues. Further, the Plancom is

investigating the new parking policy and has requested a meeting with Council to ascertain what Council has in mind wrt to the impact of the PT1 & PT2 Parking policy being implemented in a Heritage area with narrow streets with already insufficient parking space and the knock-on effects thereof. SFB should be monitoring the sales in new developments to determine slower sales due to less or no secure parking being offered. Cllr Jowell to be kept informed.

12. SFB A G M

Due to Covid restrictions, we will revisit this for a date in 2021.

13. Communication/Marketing

JL

It was suggested that posters/flyers welcoming visitors to the SFB area be made available in order to raise awareness and remind visitors of the COVID19 protocols. The Billboard could be used to promote this message. Follow up by JL recommended

JL

14. Correspondence

14.1 PPA summons on 24/11. ME and VM will look at files and prepare documents for discussion with the lawyer. Monies will have to be raised for lawyers' fees – ME to prepare an email which will be distributed to Exco members for approval.

14.2 Seaboard CAN are holding another Market Day on 13 December. YK suggested that SFB might want a table there but they would need to show proof that they have disassociated themselves from Gary Trappler's court case of the homeless against the City

15. General

16. Next Meeting: *Thursday, 28th January 2021 at 17h30*