

Dear members,

Welcome to your 2017 mid year newsletter from your committee. This newsletter is a recap of the latest developments in the past 6 months. We have tried to keep it as succinct as possible, but it is still quite a bit to read so grab yourself a cup of coffee first.

Before we start with the recap, just a reminder to please send all complaints, queries and suggestions to the Cape Agulhas Municipality directly and please include warasecretary@gmail.com as a carbon copy. We would like to assist with resolving as many complaints, queries and suggestions as possible each year, but we cannot assist or pursue any issues unless they have first been sent to the Cape Agulhas Municipality by a member (with warasecretary@gmail.com included as a carbon copy please).

A lot of the complaints require outside third party assistance, which is costly and members are requested to please donate and contribute whenever possible.

1. **Important information regarding Arniston**

- 1.1. The WARA Committee is made up of Peter Hofmeyr, Murray van Heerden, Casey Hofmeyr, Rod Lloyd, Margot Rudolph, Alan Butler, Sam Robertson and Sam Lawrence.
- 1.2. **Our Ward Councillor** is Danny Europa - 084 736 5809.
- 1.3. **The number of wards in CAM** is 6 and we fall under Ward 6.
- 1.4. **The CAM MAYOR** is Paul Swart - 072 359 2015.
- 1.5. **The CAM contact person is** Bertus Haywood - ElsabeZ@capeagulhas.gov.za and BertusH@capeagulhas.gov.za.
- 1.6. **Definitions** - WARA (Waenhuiskrans Arniston Ratepayers Association), CAM (Cape Agulhas Municipality), CAMSDF (Cape Agulhas Municipality Spatial Development Framework), DEA (Department of Environmental Affairs) and SDP (Spatial Development Plan).

2. **Crime**

We need you to please report all crime to WARA to enable us to compile a database and crime statistics to motivate for a Police Station in Arniston. In the event that you experience any crime in Arniston, please could you report the incident with as much detail as possible to arnistoncrime@contessa.biz.

The Whats App group is Arniston Prevent Crime (079 899 1897) for members to post any incidents of crime or suspicious situations.

Please direct any concerns and/or complaints you may experience regarding the police to Policing.Complaints@westerncape.gov.za.

For attention:

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E-mail (int): WC:Inspectorate Complaints Nodal Point

Please include as much information as possible in your correspondence including the names of the police officials you dealt with as well as the level of service you received.

Page 2 of the Chairman's Report which was circulated prior to the 2016 AGM: During 2016 the crime problem at Arniston was still an ever present problem although with the advent of the holiday period, it has got considerably worse. Suidpunt Security have allocated additional security patrols and security individuals to Arniston. When the properties are unoccupied the majority of crime is in respect of garages and/or outbuildings with wetsuits, fishing equipment and diving equipment being the main items stolen. If the houses are occupied the items that are stolen are cellphones and laptops and this occurs even when the occupants are in the house. Suidpunt Security's current representative at Arniston/Waenhuiskrans is Awie Naude who is very helpful and proactive.

3. **Permit Application to Use a Vehicle for Guided Tours Within the Coastal Area, Arniston**

Thank you to everyone for their comments and objections in respect of the Permit Application to Use a Vehicle for Guided Tours within the coastal area of Arniston. We will let you know once we have some feedback.

4. **CAMSDF**

Thank you to everyone who took the trouble to object. We are now awaiting implementation of phase 5 of the SDF. We will keep all members informed.

5. **Valuation Objections**

A number of members objected timeously and generally their property valuations were reduced.

6. **Refuse**

The refuse collection takes place once a week on a Monday. Refuse is please to be put out before 8am on a Monday morning and not the night prior to prevent the bags from being torn apart and litter lying in the streets. The Cape Agulhas Municipality is looking at a wheelin bin system. The contact person at the Cape Agulhas Municipality is Mr Walter Linnert.

7. **Recycling**

Recycling was collected every day during the December holiday. Recycling is collected once every two weeks on a Monday the remainder of the year and the clear plastic recycling bags are available from the campsite offices (Lorna Murtz). The contact person at the Cape Agulhas Municipality is Mr Walter Linnert.

8. **Grey Water / Sewerage**

There was a discussion at the 2016 AGM regarding the grey water / sewerage flowing onto the "Hotel" beach in front of the Arniston Hotel and there was the suggestion of a meeting to try and ascertain the source of this. Please could we have some feedback from the relevant members regarding this.

9. **Cave Graffiti / Bollard and Signs above Cave**

The committee is looking for volunteers to undertake a clean up of the graffiti in the cave. Please contact the WARA Secretary if you are available to join a clean up group. The bollard and signs above the cave need to be requested from Cape Nature. The committee will contact Cape Nature in this regard.

10. **Memorial Benches**

As requested at the 2016 AGM, the committee will look into the memorial bench process and raise this with the Cape Agulhas Municipality. Please could the relatives of those with existing benches maintain their benches if they are broken or delapidated. We urge members to please consider alternative ways of remembering loved ones as opposed to erecting further benches.

11. **Steps to Beach**

The Cape Agulhas Municipality advised that access to "Hotel" beach will be referred to in the new budget (2017/18) for consideration. The contact person at the Cape Agulhas Municipality is Mr Myburgh Briers.

12. **Neighbourhood Watch**

The banking details for the Neighbourhood Watch are as follows:

Bank: Capitec

Name: Arniston Wagte

Type: Flexible Savings Account

Account Number: 137 488 8700

Branch code: 47 00 10

Contact person: Danie van der Westhuizen

Email: arniset@mweb.co.za

