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CLOSE ON 900 BENEFICIARIES HANDED TITLE DEEDS TO THEIR HOMES

In support of a drive by the Western Cape Department of Human Settlements to empower especially vulnerable citizens such as the disabled and elderly, Overstrand Municipality staged several ceremonies from Pearly Beach to Kleinmond over the past two months during which housing beneficiaries were handed the title deeds to their homes.

According to Western Cape Minister of Human Settlements, Bonginkosi Madikizela, the aim with this drive is not only to ensure security of tenure, but to also instil a sense of ownership and responsibility amongst housing beneficiaries.

Locally, the drive resorts under the Overstrand Integrated Residential Development Programme which was initiated to alleviate housing shortages in Overstrand and to accommodate qualifying beneficiaries.

Accompanied by the relevant ward councillors and the chairperson of Overstrand's community services portfolio, Cllr Arnie Africa, Executive Mayor Dudley Coetzee attended all of the hand-over ceremonies. In addition to personally congratulating every recipient on now being the legal owners of their homes, he also used this opportunity to enlighten beneficiaries as to why it is important to draw up a will and to ensure that irreplaceable documents such as title deeds are kept in a safe place.

"Now that a home has been registered in your name," he urged, "if you do not yet have a will, I suggest you visit a bank or an attorney of your choice without delay to ensure that the necessary documentation is drawn up so that this valuable asset will remain in your family's possession for generations to come."

"Also keep in mind that unlike your ID or bank card, lost title deeds can't simply be replaced with a new one. This is a very important piece of paper that can be used as a form of security against which you, for instance, can apply for a loan to renovate your home or to finance a car. For that reason, make sure that you keep it safe."



In **Stanford**, 75-year-old Willem Koopman was one of 81 beneficiaries who received the title deeds to their homes in Thembelihle and Kersiedorp during a ceremony held on Tuesday 14 August in the Stanford Community Hall.



On Monday 3 September, a clearly delighted Martha Davids was one of 63 beneficiaries who received the title deeds to their homes in **Mount Pleasant** during a ceremony held in the Moffat Hall. She shared this special moment with Ald Anton Coetzee, the Mayor, Western Cape Minister of Human Settlements, Bonginkosi Madikizela, and Deputy Executive Mayor, Cllr Elnora Gillion.



Unfortunately, aunt Sanna Fick (66) was not well enough to attend the hand-over ceremony held in **Gansbaai** on Friday 31 August, so the Mayor – accompanied by Cllr Riana de Coning and housing officer Aron Gcotyelwa – decided to hand-deliver the document to her home. At the time of the ceremony, held in the Council Chambers, a further 45 beneficiaries received the title deeds to their homes in Gansbaai, De Kelders, Kleinbaai and Blompark.



In **Hawston**, 114 beneficiaries received the title deeds to their homes during a ceremony held in the Thusong Hall on Monday 3 September. Here, Minister Bonginkosi Madikizela and Mayor Dudley Coetzee share in the joy of some of the recipients.



Flanked by Cllr Arnie Africa and the Mayor, S Bekle and M Nkosemntu were amongst the seventeen households who received the title deeds to their homes in **Eluxolweni** during a ceremony held in the community hall on Friday 31 August.



Councillors Fanie Krige, Simphiwe Tebele, Elnora Gillion and Grant Cohen as well as Mayor Coetzee and Minister Madikizela share in the delight of Zumani Bhoki Kortman on receiving the title deed to his home. He was one of 323 beneficiaries in **Kleinmond** who attended the hand-over ceremony held on Monday 3 September in the Proteadorp Community Hall.

• At the time of going to press, details on the handing over of a further 247 title deeds to beneficiaries in **Zwelihle** on Wednesday 26 September were not yet available. Be sure to visit Overstrand's official website [www.overstrand.gov.za] to read more.

SURVEYING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SEWERAGE NETWORKS IN GANSBAAI AND KLEINMOND

Overstrand Municipality intends to conduct surveys over the next six to eight weeks in Kleinmond, Gansbaai and a limited area of Voëlklip (near the lagoon in Twelfth Street).

These surveys are being conducted as part of the planning phase with a view to the installation of new sewerage networks in the relevant areas.

At the time of doing the surveys, it will be necessary to gain access to premises so that essential information can be gathered, including the location and depth of suction tanks, and to determine whether connections to manholes will be possible. Workers handling this part of the work will be identifiable by way of their yellow safety jackets displaying the name "Joubert & Brink Surveys". They will also have hammers and pickaxes as well as measuring bars on hand since these are necessary to open lids and to do the survey work.

Use will also be made of a drone to take aerial photographs. The drone will be active for one to two hours in the respective areas and will fly at a height of between 50 m and 150 m. Most of the required data will be picked up by way of these photographs. As explained above, only critical information regarding the location and depth of suction tanks and possible connections to manholes will be gathered physically on premises.



Executive Mayor Dudley Coetzee continued his "meet and greet" walkabout, paying an unannounced visit to the Lombardi Care Centre in Mount Pleasant.

Jenny Sauls took the opportunity to raise concerns about wheelchair access to the premises. After a quick inspection, the Mayor made use of the occasion to extend his appreciation towards all the staff members for their dedication in looking after the elderly. He was accompanied by deputy mayor Elnora Gillion and Ward 4 councillors Anton Coetsee and Christine May.



Arbor Week started with a bang when 54 trees were planted in Mountain View, Kleinmond.

Mayor Dudley Coetzee rolled up his sleeves in good spirit and joined the team to beautify the area. Here he is pictured with Ward 10 Councillor Fanie Krige (left), Ward 9 Councillor Grant Cohen, Community Services Portfolio Chairperson Cllr Arnie Africa, home owner Jennifer and Kleinmond's Area Manager Desmond Lakey.

THINK BEFORE YOU DUMP HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE



Increasingly, people seem to dump household garbage next to dustbins on commonages and pavements. Household garbage is also often dumped during the week at Hoy's Koppie opposite Checkers near the traffic circle, possibly by people who use the parking area. Refuse collection for Eastcliff is scheduled for Fridays together with Hermanus Heights, Kwaaiwater and Hawston.

The municipality encourages all residents to keep their neighbourhood clean and green and to think before they dump.

Remember, it is also illegal to dump builders' rubble, old furniture and household appliances next to roads or on open erven.

Members of the public are kindly requested to immediately report any incidents of illegal dumping of household waste or builders' rubble to Overstrand Law Enforcement (028 313 8996) or the 24-hour control room (028 313 8111).

Alternatively, send an email to enquiries@overstrand.gov.za with the location or address and any other information that will assist in identifying the person who dumped the waste.

Note also that when you report unlawful dumping, you should provide as much information as you can, such as the physical address, registration number/colour of the vehicle and type of waste.

• Remember, illegal dumping is a criminal offense. Guilty parties will be fined.

Nearest weighbridge now in Caledon

For the time being, anyone who wishes to apply for a roadworthiness certificate requiring that a rebuilt, scrapped or imported vehicle's tare (weight of the vehicle without cargo) be verified will have to make use of the weighbridge facility operated by Overberg Agri in Caledon.

This situation came about as a result of irreparable damage caused to Overstrand's weighbridge housed at the transfer station in Swartdam Road, Hermanus during the recent civil unrests.

Overstrand's Traffic Department urges all vehicle owners who, on request of the relevant officer, must verify a vehicle's tare before a roadworthiness certificate can be issued to make use of Overberg Agri's weighbridge situated in Industrial Street, Caledon.

The facility is open Monday to Friday from 07:30 - 17:00. No appointment is required.

• Costs range from R30 to R90, depending on the weight of the vehicle.



CELLIST SET TO ENTHRAL

On Sunday 14 October, Overstrand Arts/Kunste (OAK) will host a recital by well-known South African cellist **Peter Martens** from Stellenbosch. He will be accompanied by American-born pianist Bryan Wallick currently residing in Pretoria. Their programme will include Bach's Cello Suite No. 3, Beethoven's Cello Sonata No. 3 in A major Op. 69 and Rachmaninoff's Cello Sonata in G minor Op. 19.

The concert will commence at 15:30 in the Civic Auditorium in Hermanus. Tickets cost R150 (R60 for students) and are available from the Tourism Office in Mitchell Street, Hermanus (028 312 2629). Call René du Plooy on 082 940 4238 for further details.