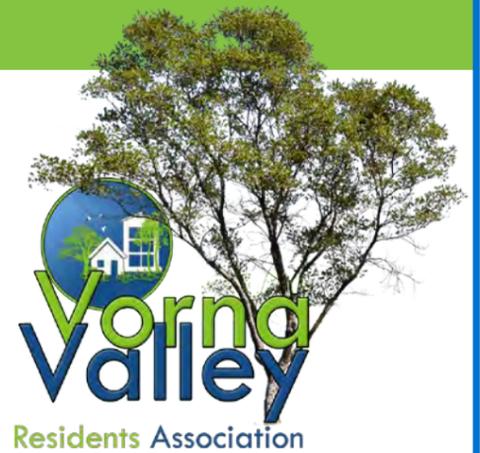


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Newsletter



April 2019

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Areas: Vorna Valley, Waterfall Park,



Dear Vorna Valley Residents

A win-win agreement between Vorna Valley and Century Property Developments.

Century Property Developments are in the process of developing a new mixed-use development called The Precinct. This development is sandwiched between Waterfall Estates, Jukskei River, Kyalami Gardens Estate and Allandale Road. The Precinct will be an extension of Waterfall Estates, which have enjoyed international acclaim with the 2018 International Property Awards as the World's Best Mixed Use Development – a first for any African country. Apart from the retail node, a commercial pocket, a residential estate, a university campus and some motor trade within this development, there will also be a filling station.

In response to the application of rights for a filling station, the Vorna Valley Residents' Association objected – mainly due to lack of services in the area. Rather than meeting at township tribunal, Century Property Developments and the Vorna Valley Residents' Association decided to meet in order to find common ground.

Century Property Developments will address the current lack of services by upgrading Allandale Road to 4-lanes per direction as well as constructing the new K73 link between Allandale Road and the R55. They would also construct a new 40 MVA Eskom sub-station, which will elevate the current backlog and allow for the new development. These upgrades addressed the infrastructural concerns of the Vorna Valley Residents' Association and they agreed to withdraw their objection on the proviso that Century Property Developments also pay for a series of security cameras in the area.

This will be to the joint benefit of the newly constructed The Precinct development, and the already-established Vorna Valley neighbourhood. This is a clear example on how two parties can sit around a table and negotiate a win-win solution for all. Century Property Developments is also in ongoing meetings with The City of Joburg to rather use excess Bulk Service Contributions towards parks from the new development towards the upgrade of the Vorna Valley wetland rather than paying it into a general fund. Again, this type of upgrade would benefit Vorna Valley as a whole and it would indirectly benefit The Precinct as a suburb through providing public facilities.

Thank you to Paul, Hein and Marianne for pursuing the project for LPR cameras at every entrance into Vorna Valley. Also a thank you to Brian, who arranged that the data can be stored and monitored from a safe and secure location.

More details will be given as the project starts to roll out.

VICTIM EMPOWERMENT
076 445 2451

The Victim Empowerment Centre comprises of volunteer counsellors who assist victims with debriefing and trauma counselling. If you need counselling after a traumatic violent crime, please contact the VEC on 076 445 2451 to set up an appointment. All counselling is confidential and no charge!

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Crime in Vorna Valley

The Midrand police are calling on the local community to apply to work as police informers.

Spokesperson for the Midrand Police Station Constable Thabiso Selowa said informers play a significant role in preventing crime and giving the police important information.

She added, "As the police, we patrol on the street, we don't have authority to patrol in complexes or houses.

"So we need informants to give us information."

She said informers will be registered at the station where their fingerprints will be taken and there will be a check to see if an applicant has any pending cases against them.

For every bit of information that leads to an arrest, the informer will receive a monetary reward.

Interested residents can contact the Midrand Police Station on

011 347 1626 or visit the station.



"At a meeting last night with SAPS, and CPF, the recent spate of crimes in complexes was discussed in great length, as well as a Plan of Action/Operation. However, following on from that, we need each and every complex, to take accountability for their boundary electric fence, and check it on a daily basis, that it is working .

The next urgent step, if you are next to a vlei/veld, check if that area is municipal or private, if private, contact the owners urgently and get it cut. If it is municipal, log it on the JRA app, send a mail to your councilor with a reference number and put as much pressure as you can to get the grass cut. With Kind regards Steven Johnstone - Midrand CPF Chairman"

"Working with children is walking on holy ground, be mindful of the footprints that you leave"



JOIN THE MIDRAND CPF on 15 May at 19h00 - R30 per ticket, as Luke Lamprecht shares his insights. The focus of the talk will be on sexual development and deviance in this development from the experience in working with children who come into conflict with others and the law as a result of their negotiating their sexuality online. It comes with a call to parents to connect to their children and provide a counterpoint and language for communicating in the real world.

Luke Lamprecht is a Child Protection and Development Specialist, with 26 years of experience in the NPO field. He has worked with organisations including Lefika La Phodiso: The Art Therapy Centre, The Teddy Bear Clinic for Abused Children, Johannesburg Child Welfare, Childline, Bigshoes and the Johannesburg Parent and Child Counseling Centre. He is also a director at Fight With Insight: a boxing gym based at the Children's Memorial Institute in Hillbrow, Johannesburg, where he coaches inner-city children.

As a Child Protection and Development Specialist, Luke works with children in conflict with the law, children with autism, and children with behavioural challenges and psychiatric diagnoses. As an expert and consultant, he convenes the Johannesburg Child Advocacy Forum, supervises Women and Men Against Child Abuse's Alexandra Victim Empowerment Programme, consults to the founder of the South African Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse, and advises on child protection issues for the Shaken and Abused Baby Initiative. Lamprecht also compiled a protocol for Child Protection and HIV intervention (for children, adolescents and families) for child protection professionals.

Lamprecht regularly conducts talks and training sessions on social cohesion, servitude leadership, BEING MAN, child protection and development, health, mental health, disability, cyber-development and sexuality under Brain Mechanics. He is currently completing an MSc in Neurodevelopment at Wits and has an Advanced Health Management qualification from FPD and Yale University.

The current generation of children are native to technology and as a result it is invisible to them. What this means is that it is part of their lives and as parents we are the first generation of parents to parent cell phone and for the first time in history when children say they know more than us, they do.

What this implies is that we as parents need to be aware of both the developmental opportunities and threats across both the lifespan and life-stage development of the modern child.

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WHAT IS YOUR HOME WORTH?

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4 April 2019 - Issues with power at house on Jamie Uys
 5 April 2019 - Limnos Village without power
 6 April 2019 - All of Vorna Valley without power. Delays in resolving the issue due to phones not working in Jhb

8 April 2019 - Power outage in parts of Vorna Valley

9 April 2019 - Power outage in parts of Vorna Valley - Issues at Kyalami Boulevard mini sub

10 April 2019 - Power outage in Kyalami Hills. Due to a damp issue at the Kyalami Boulevard mini sub. New mini sub placed at Kyalami Boulevard

12 April 2019 - Power surges in and around Fitzpatrick

13 April 2019 - Power outage on van Heerden

15 April 2019 - House on Gregory without power

25 April 2019 - Maintenance in and around Candy Street. Not all residents were informed

27 April 2019 - Power outage on van Heerden (mini sub by Grovetree blew) and Elizabeth Fry



Watering of gardens is only allowed between 16:00 and 08:00 in winter months (1 April to 31 August) and furthermore, all consumers are prohibited from using a hose-pipe to clean paved areas, wash cars, roofs and driveways with municipal water.

11 April 2019 - Overflowing sewer on Visser

15 April 2019 - No water Sparrow

16 April 2019 - No water Sparrow

18 April 2019 - Blocked sewer on Coertze



Major pot holes on Albertyn where finally fixed, and some not so major all over Vorna Valley. There are still many pot holes that need to be fixed, one major one on Bekker near Gregory.

Major damage to road on Rudi Neitz still waiting to be repaired. (more than a year later)

Damage to roads due to water leaks still waiting to be closed and repairs. le Roux/Janadel, le Roux/Bekker, Anton Hartman/Harry Galaun, Berger/Elizabeth Fry.



City Parks stopped cutting the vlei areas due to rain, but have not been back to finish off and some servitudes remain uncut.

Just a reminder to all residents: It is illegal to chop down or even prune trees on pavements. JMPD and City Parks do issues fines.

We should be protecting our trees and not chopping them down.



Happiness comes when you believe in what you are doing, know what you are doing, and love what you are doing.

Brian Tracy



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Taxis and motorist alike, are still disobeying road rules, cause gridlock in our already gridlocked road. Residents are quick to complain about other road users but they themselves don't adhere to the rules of the road.



Illegal advertising boards taken down by VVRA cleaners on Tues 30 April 2019

Boards put up again by Central Developments on Thurs 2 May 2019

R55 Kyalami, Allandale, Grieg, Anton Hartman, Harry Galaun, Gerard/Moerdyk/Le Roux roads, Vorna Valley.

With the help of Mark, we have been trying to get JMPD to see the seriousness of illegal signage and vendors all over Vorna Valley illegally.

By laws are not enforced by JMPD even if we feed them the information to assist.

Vorna Valley is inundated with Uber cars who park everywhere, waiting for someone to hire them. This is an issue as residents don't know if they are prospective criminals scouting our area or not.

If you see anyone driving bad in Joburg, take a video or picture and send it via Whatsapp to JMPD wreckless driving hotline 081 410 6338

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Swiss Country Club
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We would like to let residents know that the **The Courier Restaurant** at the Swiss Country Club on Moerdyk Street is not just for members. Anyone can go there for a good meal. They support the VVRA and it would be wonderful if residents supported them.

Email: courier@hot.co.za
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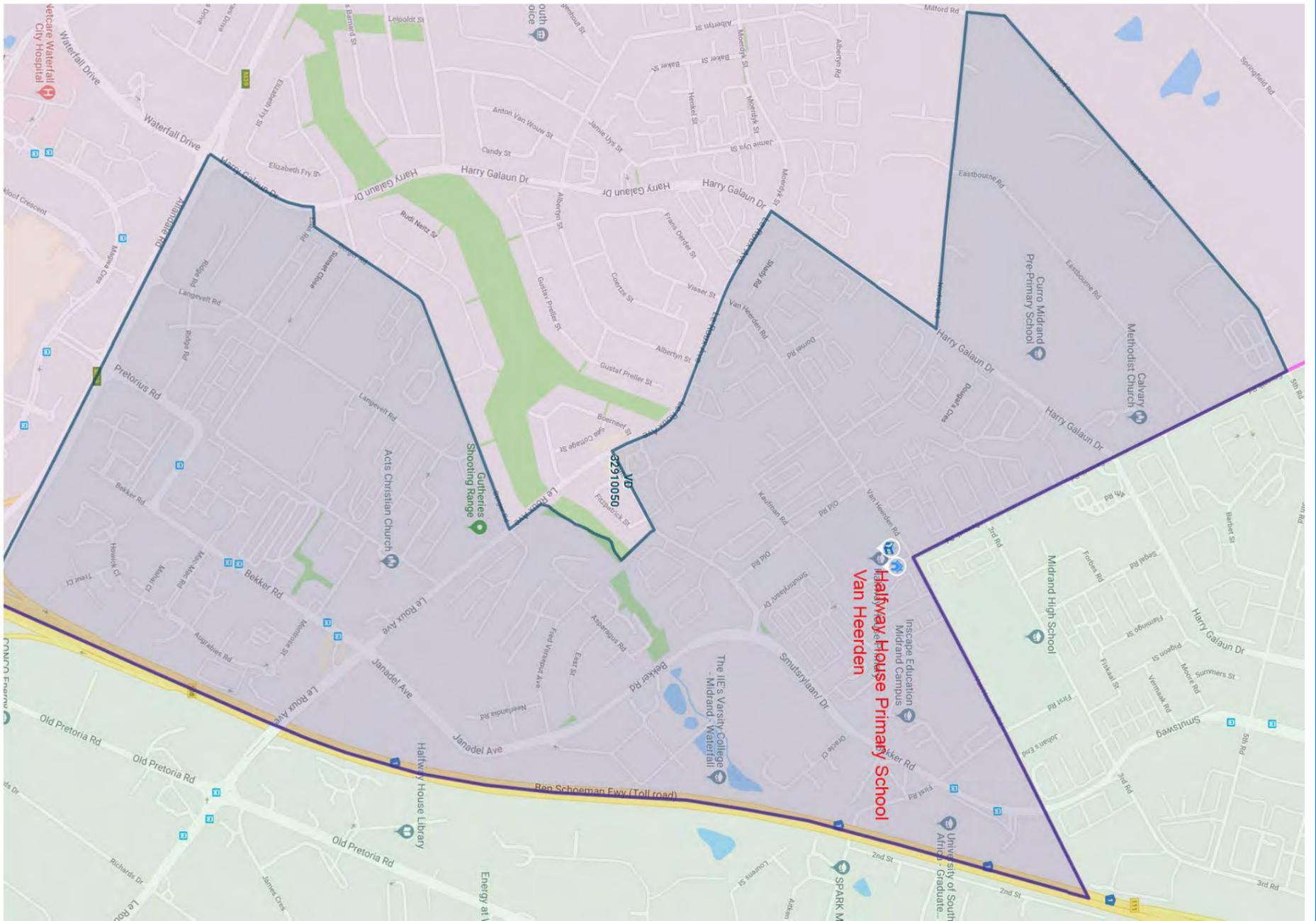
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Voting stations for Vorna Valley residents. Open from 7am until 9pm, 8 May 2019. Vote wisely





Dear News Editor/ Journalist

Pikitup the waste management company of the City of Johannesburg has addressed the bin shortage issue and advises residents whose bins are damaged or stolen to apply for replacements.

Pikitup has stockpiled a significant number of bins and residents who need their bins to be replaced must follow a certain process in order to have their bins replaced. The process is in line with Pikitup's bin management policy and this is what is required when making an application for a new bin:

1. What to do if your bin has been stolen

Report your bin as stolen at a police station nearest to your place of residence, obtain a case number and have your municipal account ready before calling the City's Call Centre to make an application for a bin replacement. This process applies to domestic as well as business customers

2. What to do if your bin is damaged

Report the damaged bin through the City's Call Centre number and also be in possession of your account number when applying for your bin to be replaced

3. What to do when requesting for an additional bin

Call the City's Call Centre number and remember to have your account available and a reference number will be issued to you which will be used to issue an additional bin. However in such incidences residents will be required to pay for the cost of the additional bins.

The reference number will then be referred to a Pikitup official who will attend to a customer's request. Customers should always sign the bin delivery document as proof that they have received the bin.

Residents and business should also note that no bin request will be processed without a reference number. Furthermore, in terms of Pikitup's bin management policy, a damaged bin will be replaced at no cost to the customer but lost or stolen bins will only be replaced for free once in a bin's useful life. The current useful life span of a bin is eight (8) years.

In relation to sectional title properties,

Pikitup will provide bins equal to the lower number of units in the complex or bins equal to the space available to store bins in such properties. Residents living in such properties should note that only the property owner or the managing agent may apply for a bin on their behalf.

In the event, tenants would like to make applications for bins, their applications will only be entertained once they have a letter of authority from the owner or the managing agent of the property.

Pikitup appeals to residents to immediately place their bins inside their properties after the bins have been emptied to prevent criminal elements from stealing their bins.

The City of Johannesburg Call Centre number: 011 375 5555 or 086 0562874 and press option 4 for Pikitup.

For more information contact:

Pikitup spokesperson

Muzi Mkhwanazi

087 357 1116

071 312 7757

Please Don't Forget To Recycle With Phambili Services Each Wednesday Of The Month.

Recycling is Compulsory



A reminder that recycling is compulsory. Phambili Services collect recycling in Vorna Valley on behalf of Pikitup, every Wednesday.

If you are not yet recycling with Phambili, please contact marianne@vvra.co.za via email or via whatsapp on 082 460 8662 so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

Phambili Services supply blue bags and collect weekly.

All recycling material goes into one bag. (Paper, Cardboard, Magazines & Newspapers, Plastics, Glass, Bottles, Milk and Juice Cartons, Cans, Jars.

Phambili Services now also place informal reclaimers into complexes to do the recycling on their behalf. Phambili then buys back all the recycling they collect, taking them to the depot to weigh and pay.

This will hopefully take many of the informal reclaimers off the streets and afford them a monthly income.

If you would like your complex to join this project, please email your details to marianne@phambiliservices.co.za, so that Phambili can come and setup your complex for an informal reclaimer to start your recycling.

Separation@Source is coming to your area

What is Separation@Source?

Separation@Source means separating and placing your recyclable material into the refuse bag provided and placing non-recyclable waste into the black wheelie bin.

Recyclables to be placed in plastic bags are:

Paper	Cardboard	Magazines & Newspapers	Plastics	Glass	Bottles	Milk and Juice Cartons	Cans	Jars
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Each house and complex gets given Phambili blue bags for recycling. We kindly request that resident please use these bags for recycling ONLY and not for other waste or garden waste.

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