BLUFF COMMUNITY POLICE SUB-FORUM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT THE BRIGHTON BEACH POLICE STATION
ON TUESDAY, 8th MARCH 2011

Attendance as per register.

Action

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the Bluff CPF at 19h00 on Tuesday, 8th March 2011

2.0 REGISTER

The Secretary has a register of attendees.
No apologies received.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th February were accepted.

4.0 OPEN ISSUES/NEW BUSINESS

- Hairdresser in Garcin Place : They have been issued a notification to remove the sign which is on Municipal property.
- Zanzabari Land : They have been issued with a letter from Council advising them to clean/clear the land as there are vagrants living in the bush. They have 12 weeks to respond.

- The meeting was also advised of transformer theft in Watsonia Road. They steal from the electricity substation which sends a surge of electricity which blows appliances in the immediate vicinity.

  Cllr du Bois said he would follow-up with Council as they are not securing the substations and the consumer is being compromised.

  Apparently the same happened in Doone Rd and when residents contacted the council, they were advised that it is not the council's responsibility.

- Roland Winter advised that COPS had patrolled the Watsonia Road area for approx. 5 hours.

- Foreshore Drive – back to square one as every Monday there are bottles all over, the toilets are trashed etc.
  The Chairman advised that he had sent a letter to Metro and that a meeting for Monday, 14th March had been scheduled with Metro and SAPS.

- Green Dolphin at Ansteys Beach are selling alcohol and people are taking this onto the beach – this is *not* allowed. There are only 3 guards at the weekend – they must be advised to keep a log of complaints that they report to Park Patrol.

  Roland said they'd been told by residents that they have seen Metro drive past people who are openly drinking alcohol in public!

- **Clairbright**

  The Chairman advised that the General Constitution must comply with the National Constitution and, every forum and sub-forum to follow procedure.

  The Chairman advised the following:
  - It has been requested that all donations be divided by volume.
  - Name change from Clairbright to Brighton Beach Community Police Forum
  - Cllr advised that Supt Dibbon no longer falls under BB. Clairwood still falls under BB policing.

- **Trauma Room** : A basic DNA course was arranged for Wednesday, 23rd March 2011.

- Roland advised that they had two occasions in the past month that trauma counselling was required and, on both occasions, there was no-one available. The one occasion, the child spent the night at the police station!!!! COP brought blankets etc
  The Chairman stated that this was not acceptable and he would address this with Capt. Avril Fabre. It is imperative that someone is available 24/7.

- The Chairman advised that the CPF would sponsor six radios for COPS. COPS to keep a register of who has the radios and maintenance is up to the person.

- Roland advised the meeting that there was a Ratepayers meeting at 18h00 the following evening at Fynnlands Club.

5.0 METRO REPORT

No representative

6.0 SAPS REPORT

W.O. Wiekus van Vuuren reported on the following:

- Housebreaking - up
- Theft out of motor vehicles – down
- Armed robbery – stable
- Common robbery – down
- Rape – 1 incident in the last month
- GBH – down
- Drug arrests – stable
- Common times are from 12h00 to 18h00
- Common day – Monday
- No specific areas

The Chairman congratulated SAPS for bringing the stats back inline – there was applause from attendees.

7.0 GENERAL

A number of issues were discussed.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked everyone for their time and closed the meeting.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 12th April 2011 at 19h00.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: Louise Bennett

MINUTES APPROVED BY: Carl Knauff