



Welcome to the August 2016 issue of the Blackheath City Improvement District Newsletter

July saw the BCID team winding up the previous financial year, as we do around this time every year, by completing our annual audit, finalising our future budgets and Implementation Plans for the 2017-2018 financial year and then also setting a date for the 2016 Annual General Meeting. As usual, the AGM will be held at the training facility at HomeChoice in School Road in Blackheath.

You may peruse a copy of our 2016 Annual Financial Statements online at www.bcid.co.za

At the August monthly Meeting of the BCID Directors the current Directors set the date for the 2016 AGM for 13:00 on Wednesday the 12th of October 2016. A formal notice for this engagement will be sent out in due course. We hope to see all owners of property within the BCID footprint present there on the day to approve our future planned business and implementation plan and budget.

We hope to agree the appointment of a permanent Law Enforcement Officer to deal with stationary traffic offences as well as all of the City of Cape Town's By-laws. We find that although the BCID Manager and staff are very well equipped to deal with most matters relating to the Blackheath Industrial Area, we would have more power to address perpetrators of crime and City By-law infringements having a permanent officer on duty within the Blackheath CID footprint.

SAPS Sector 3 Sector Security Meeting

Our SAPS Sector 3 Sector Security Meeting took place on the [12th July 2016](#) and the [16th August 2016](#)

Action Steps

1. Brendan van der Merwe requested greater visibility from SAPS and ST3 Security at the Station and areas close to Happy Valley where most of the crime is taking place.
2. Brendan van der Merwe also requested ongoing VCP's to be held in the area.
3. SAPS to investigate on which side of the Station the Theft of Motor Vehicles is taking place.
4. Task SAPS to do Crime Prevention in the Happy Valley area.

Potholes

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

A pothole is a structural failure in an asphalt concrete, it is caused by the presence of water in the underlying soil structure and the presence of traffic passing over the affected area. Introduction of water to the underlying soil structure first weakens the supporting soil. Traffic then fatigues and breaks the poorly supported asphalt surface in the affected area. Continued traffic action ejects both asphalt and the underlying soil material to create a hole in the pavement.

We had an instance where there was a pothole on the corner of Artisan Road and Wimbledon Road.

We have reached out to the City's Roads Department who immediately assisted us with this complaint. They found that the hole was caused by a water main which was running below where the pothole was and could therefore not attend to it without the help of the water department who also attended to the matter within minutes upon receiving the call.

We as the Blackheath City Improvement District would like to thank all parties involved for their prompt response and we look forward to working well together in the future.

BE SURE OF WHO YOU EMPLOY

Dear Industrial Business Community,

It has come to our attention that in more than one instance businesses are suffering losses due to theft by their own employees. Recently two businesses lost tools and equipment due to newly appointed staff.

Sadly, the staff were employed without any background checks, copies of IDs or proof of address which means that the business has no details to assist the SAPS in conducting their investigations and resolving the case or finding their property back.

We therefore urge businesses to please follow some basic good practices when hiring new staff, even if it is deemed casual or short term labour:

Make sure who you are hiring – insist in a proper ID and proof of residence

Make copies of these documents and keep securely

Insist on and check for previous working references – phone them and check

Do random checks on staff before they leave the premises

Secure unused equipment and tools to avoid items “walking out the door”

There are many other good HR practices and safeguards that can be researched and applied with minimal cost implications. Please don't be a victim and take the necessary precautions.

From the Stikland industrial City Improvement District Team - July Newsflash.

Update: Formalising the verge between Range Road and the Engen Garage in Buttskop Road.

The project to formalise the verge along Buttskop Road between Range Road and the Engen Garage is come along very well. No major disturbance took place and we grateful for that.

The project has now come to a completion and we thank all parties involved.

Below are pictures of their hard work.





Final Result



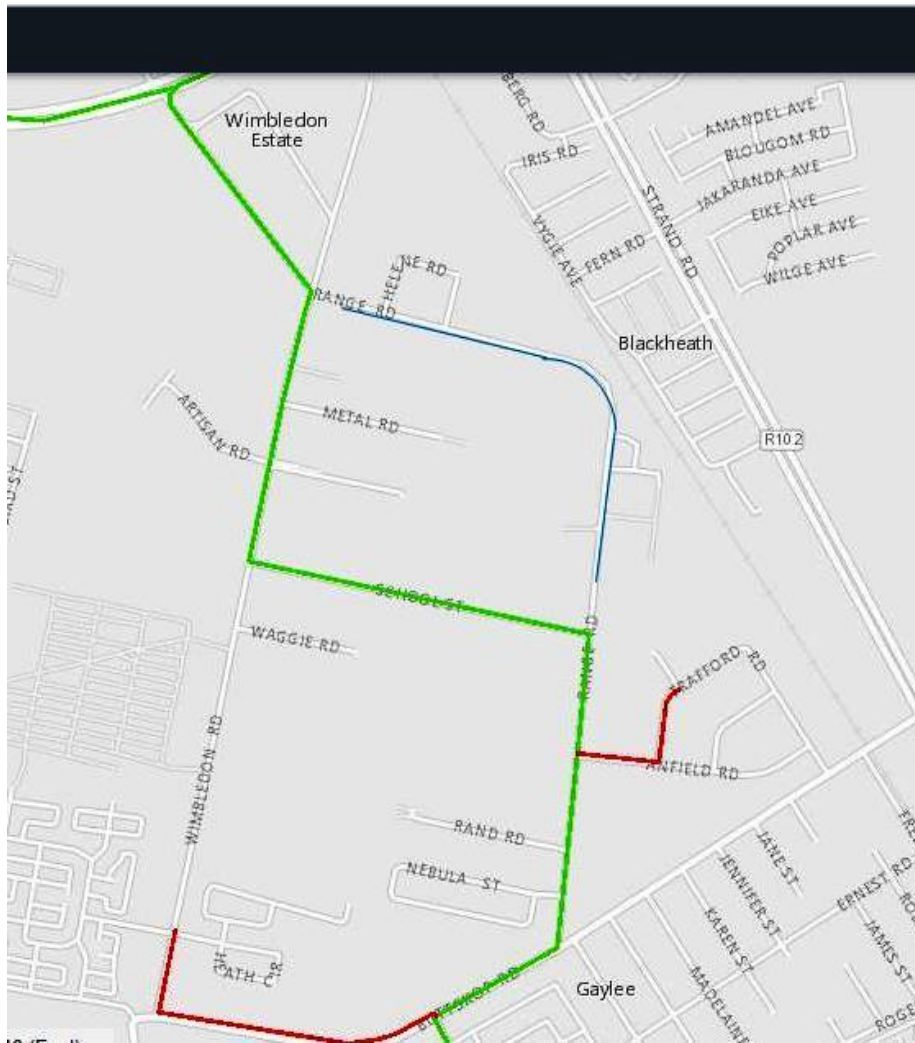
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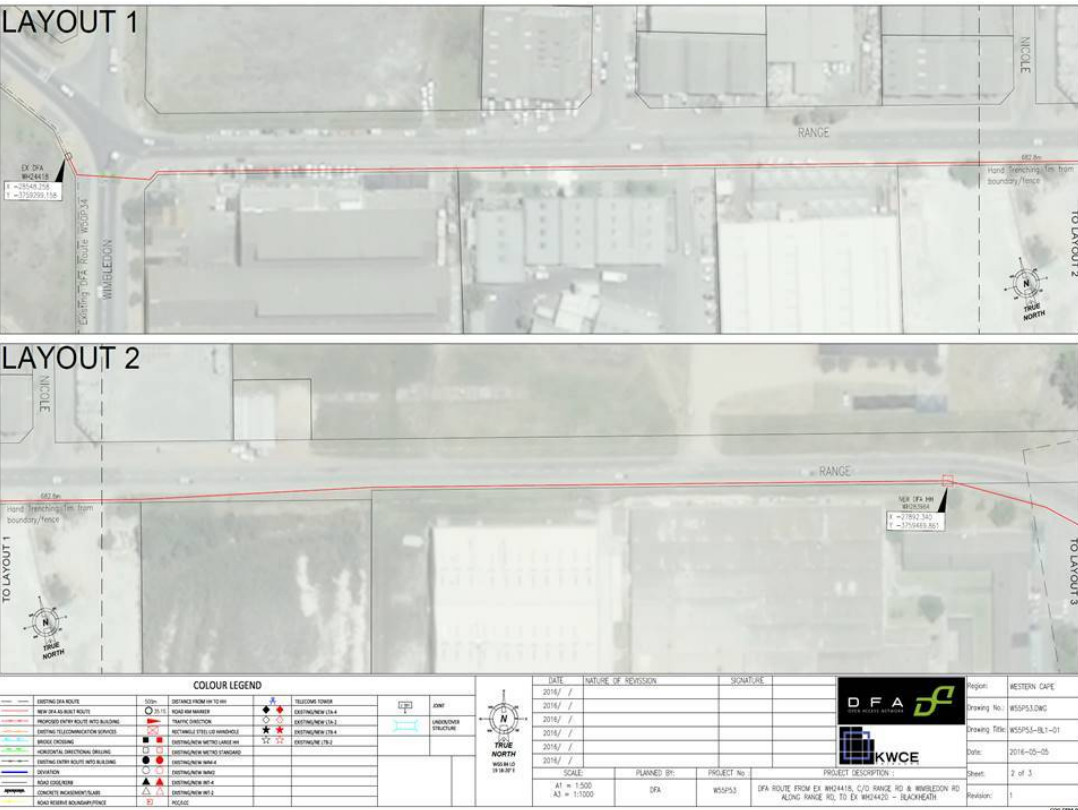
Dark Fibre Africa

Corline, sub-contractors for Dark Fibre Africa are currently rolling out fibre infrastructure along Range Road.

This project started the first week in August and it has been confirmed it will run up until the first week of September.

The image below shows the network running through the Blackheath Industrial Area and the blue line in the first image shows a clear indication of where they are currently installing fibre.





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Range Road



Range Road

Sidewalk Upgrades

Fences and Guards have done amazing work with the upgrade of the sidewalk in Heath Circle. According to Fredo Scribante this is only phase 1.

Phase 2: On Spring day they will plant grass between the paving and the boundary fence.

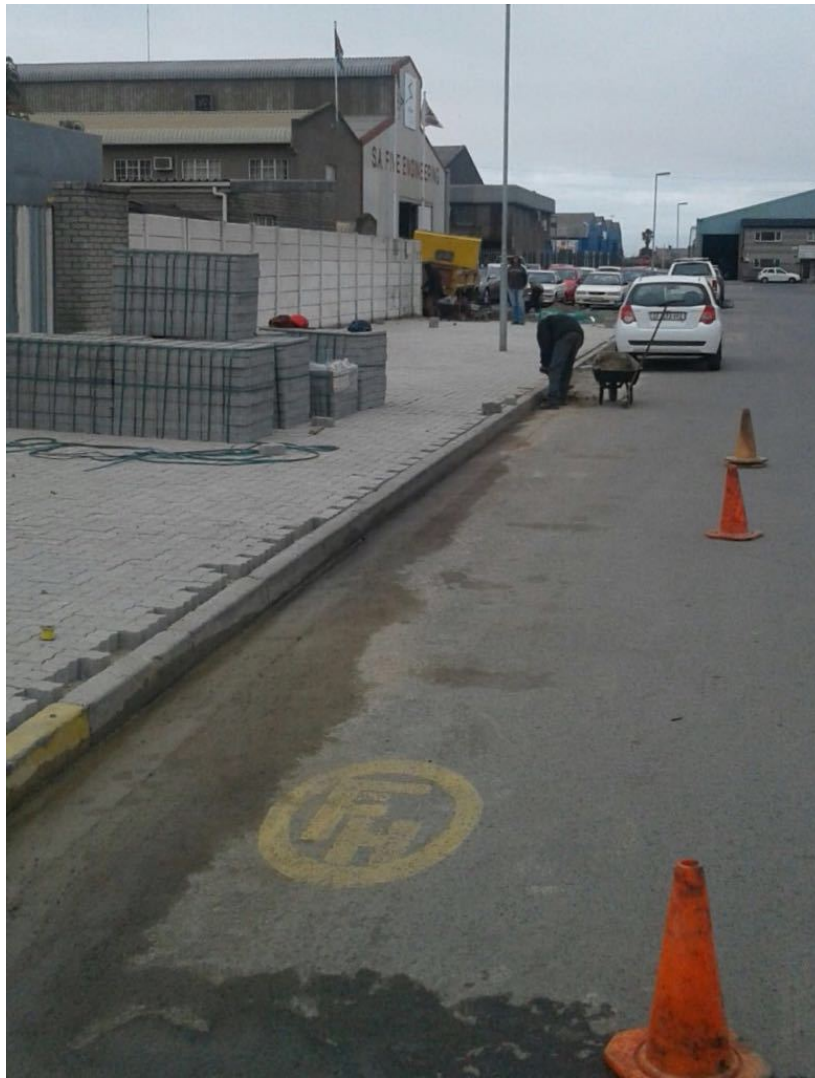
Phase 3: With the permission of relevant parties, on Arbour Day 2017 they will be planting a tree.

Upgrading of the sidewalk in Trafford Road at SA Five Engineering was also done and it looks great.

We would like to take the time to thank everyone for their part in upgrading the area and we look forward to many more verge beautification projects.



Heath Circle



Sidewalk at SA Five Engineering

BCID CLEANSING TEAM

July 2016

Week 1 - The areas of Barewood Close, Metal Road, Sysen Road, Artisan Road and School Street were the focus for the first week. The Team swept the entire area, did litter picking and pulled out weeds and also did some cleaning at the garden. 72 Refuse bags were filled for the week ending the 6th June 2016.

Week 2 - The focus for this week was the bush alongside Wimbledon Road and Happy Valley. Our team cleared the bush of litter. 130 Refuse bags were filled and collected by the COCT's Solid Waste Department.

Week 3 - On Monday the team focused on litter picking throughout the area. They swept, did litter picking and emptied bins in Electron Road, Heath Circle, Warrior Crescent and Utilis Road. 40 Refuse bags were filled with litter.

Week 4 - Due to heavy rain our team could not sweep the area. However, they undertook multiple litter picking projects to ensure that our drains are kept clean to avoid blockage and flooding. Our focus is also on the proper placing of our areas named kerbstones. 77 Refuse bags were filled with litter.

A total of 319 Refuse Bags were filled with litter and collected by the COCT's Solid Waste Department in July.

August 2016

Week 1 - The areas of Range Road and School Road were the focus for the first week. The Team swept the entire area, did litter picking and pulled out weeds and also did some cleaning at the garden at the end of Wimbledon Road. 60 Refuse bags were filled for the week ending the 6th of August 2016.

Week 2 - Again, every Monday the team does litter picking and emptying of the bins throughout the entire area. They then cleaned Trafford Road, Anfield Road, Roker Close and Gooderson Road. 75 Refuse bags were filled and collected by the COCT's Solid Waste Department.

Week 3 - This week our team did a cleanup of Wimbledon Road where they pulled out all the weeds and grass along the verge.

Week 4 - Our team is currently mowing through the area. They started off in Sysen Road, and Waggie Road and working their way through the area. 77 Refuse bags were filled with litter.

A total of 212 Refuse Bags were filled for August so far and collected by the COCT's Solid Waste Department.

We as the Blackheath City Improvement District Team request that you report any illegal dump site to: 0860 103 098. To report illegal dumping in progress call: **0860 765 423**



Our Garden

We have a little garden, one we call our own. Every Friday we water there the seeds we have sown.

We proud of our little garden, and tend it with such care. We welcome you to take some pictures there.



Additional Projects

Our team took some time to clean up Wimbledon Road by pulling out all weeds and digging out the grass





Schools

We welcomed our learners back who enjoyed a long school holiday. We look forward to experiencing a new term filled with productive learning outcomes and to have a lot of educational fun.

Sing for Africa Grade "R" School

Coralie and Corintin are Sing for Africa's French students who assisted the educators in teaching our learners. They will be returning to France soon. We would like to thank both for supporting and taking part in every project from distributing donations to entertaining Senior citizens and helping the children at Sing for Africa Grade "R" school.

[Attached](#) is a video of what Sing For Africa is all about. Feel free to take a moment and have a look at how you can make a difference in the lives of many.

Click [Here](#) to visit their website



Coralie and Corintin



SFA Learners

Happy Feet Crèche

Learners at the Happy Valley Crèche is ongoing with the learning and is in constant need of stationery. We would appreciate donations such as paper, books, pencils, colour pencils, toys, etc.

Feel free to contact the BCID Offices for any further information or to make donations.



Learners enjoying Toy Time



Puzzle Building



Picture Colouring

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