

WELCOME TO 2023

Welcome back! I hope that 2023 is a year filled with success, peace and happiness for you and your family!



WISHING YOU A GREAT YEAR AHEAD!

I hope that 2023 is a year filled with success, peace and happiness for you and your family!

Met die begin van die nuwe jaar verwelkom ons 'n splinternuwe groep studente in ons dorp. Julle is baie welkom! Onthou, julle is nou volwaardige inwoners van Stellenbosch en ons dra julle belange ook op die hart.

Stoor asseblief sommer dadelik ons Let's Fix It WhatsApp-nommer sowel as ons Beheerkamer se 24-uur WhatsApp-nommer op jou foon:

- **Let's Fix It dienslyn: 076 951 0768**
- **Beheerkamer: 079 622 4722**



Baie geluk aan al die Matrieks en hul ouers met die wonderlike uitslae. Ek is baie trots op hoe goed al die skole in ons streek gevaar het. Aan die Matrieks wat vasgeval het, moenie tou opgooi nie, probeer weer en sit alles in. Daar is niks om oor skaam te wees nie en daar is altyd die geleentheid om weer te probeer.

Illegal dumping remains a great problem in many of our areas. We have been overwhelmed by calls and reports of incidents of illegal dumping over the December and January holiday period. Please allow me to explain to you, our residents, why illegal dumping must urgently be addressed. Besides the extremely negative environmental impact and health risks associated with illegal dumping, the cost involved with cleaning up illegally dumped waste is enormous. It often requires that we bring in special equipment such as digger loaders, which we do not use every day, as well as additional staff. This means that every time we dispatch a team to clean up an illegal dumping site, it directly impacts on your pockets as ratepayers.

In areas where additional skips may be needed, please speak to your ward councillor. Enquiries with regards to rubbish bins or additional arrangements can be made via our Let's Fix It Whatsapp number: 0769510768. If you see any illegal dumping please report it to our Law Enforcement. You can send a WhatsApp to our control room on 0796224722. Please help us keep our areas clean and safe!

You can find your ward councillor here:

<https:// Stellenbosch.gov.za/wards/>

A serious consequence of continued high stages of load shedding is that, water supply operations in municipalities across the country are being affected. This is also the case in our municipal area, despite the contingency measures in place. An appeal is herewith made to residents to reduce water usage to mitigate the effects of load shedding. The longer we have to contend with load shedding, the greater the potential impact on our infrastructure, despite our best efforts. We therefore call on residents and businesses to please be extra mindful of their water usage over this time. While we have to be water-wise at all times, load shedding is an added complication that requires even more resolve.



STELLENBOSCH
STELLENBOSCH • PNIEL • FRANSCHHOEK
MUNISIPALITEIT • UMASIPALA • MUNICIPALITY

**UNDERSTANDING
YOUR GOVERNMENT**



NATIONAL



PROVINCIAL



LOCAL



Eskom's price increase
of
18.6%
is **UNFAIR** and
UNJUST

I reject in the strongest possible terms Eskom's NERSA-approved electricity price hike of 18.6%. This enormous price increase is unaffordable and unfair. We reject this increase outright.

Our residents, and in particular our small and medium businesses, simply cannot afford these continuous price increases. Like the majority of South Africans, many residents and businesses are already struggling to make ends meet.

Our communities are struggling to keep businesses open with stage 6 blackouts being implemented by Eskom. On most days, communities are left without electricity for 8 – 12 hours per day and the situation is not expected to improve in the short term. South Africans are constantly being expected to pay more for electricity while receiving less and less. Our residents will now be expected to pay even more exorbitant prices for electricity they simply do not get. South Africans are rightfully tired of having to foot the bill for years of corruption and mismanagement at Eskom.

Download the full municipal notice here: bit.ly/3ILOZiW

Die jaarlikse Oesfees Parade was weereens 'n wonderlike hoogtepunt. Die parade het op 28 Januarie plaasgevind. Ons landbou gemeenskap is so spesiaal en dit is vir my 'n absolute voorreg om te sien hoe almal die fees geniet en hoe dit jaarliks van krag tot krag gaan. Dankie aan die Stellenbosch Wynroetes en Visit Stellenbosch vir jul harde werk om van hierdie parade 'n sukses te maak. Geluk ook aan al die wenners! Ek wil baie dankie sê aan al ons spanne wat regdeur die feestyd en vakansie tyd besig was. Dit sluit in ons wetstoepassers en die onderskeie spanne by ons ingenieursdienste wat dwarsdeur die feesseisoen gewerk het.

Mayor,

Gesie

STELLENBOSCH
STELLENBOSCH • PNIEL • FRANSCHHOEK
MUNISIPALITEIT • UMASIPALA • MUNICIPALITY

**CONTROL ROOM
EMERGENCY NUMBERS
24 HOURS**

021 808 8999

079 622 4722

Let's Fix It

Please report all water, electrical, roads, stormwater, refuse removal and area cleaning issues to the Municipality directly:

**Stellenbosch / Klappmuts /
Kayamandi / Jamestown / Raithby**
021 808 8215 / 8953 / 8343

Dwarsrivier Region / Franschhoek
021 808 8632

AFTER HOURS FOR ALL REGIONS
021 808 8890 / 8891

Alternatively, send an email to engineering.services@stellenbosch.gov.za
or **WhatsApp** us on **0769510768**

If we don't know about it, we cannot fix it!

STELLENBOSCH
STELLENBOSCH • PNIEL • FRANSCHHOEK
MUNISIPALITEIT • UMASIPALA • MUNICIPALITY