

Gordon's Bay Neighbourhood Watch

OUR DIGITAL
NEWSLETTER

'Chair'

MARC QUINN

Thank you to each and every member that took the time to vote, I thank you for the confidence that you have in me to take GBNW forward for the next year.

I know it is going to be a year of challenges with COVID, but we will overcome, and we will continue to make GBNW great.

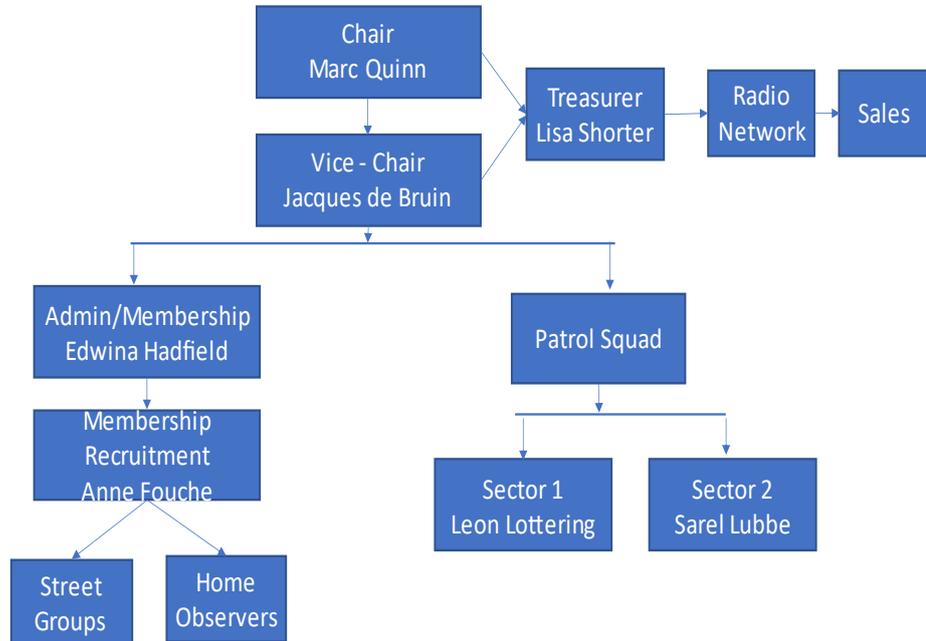
Thank you to the out-going committee for their hard work, to Ian Pollock for his leadership through the past two years. To Frikkie Myburgh who has led the Patroller Group, who has kept us informed and built up a team that has become family – thank you Frikkie, huge appreciation to both.

To my fellow Exco members, we are a team, there are a lot of changes and challenges ahead but if we work like a well-oiled machine have our ducks in a row, we will make Gordon's Bay Neighbourhood Watch 'GREAT'.

Our first meeting took place soon after our appointment of EXCO and although a long meeting, we allocated positions and discussed the way forward – exciting times ahead, not only being the 'eyes and ears' for SAPS, but also moving GBNW into the world of technology by introducing an online platform and an GBNW App on a 'digital' platform for reporting, membership, patrolling logs and much more which is going to give us a clear picture of where we are day to day, where the problem areas are and who we are going to manage these.

To each member, you are our asset and we thank you and for the support in voting the members as your new EXCO.

GBNW– EXCO 2021/22



EXCO ROLES

We have restructured the EXCO roles and each one is in line with our Constitution, and what we **found** is where our work really started.

Going through the Constitution and the Code of Conduct there are many changes that we must make, and as we work through these changes, we are plotting the function of each member on EXCO. The we need to start on the Code of Conduct.

Once this is done, we will then have to circulate these documents amongst members, take a vote on the changes and we update our various communication

documents like the website and the welcome pack we are working on.

With the roles being defined, we will be working smarter as there is far more reporting and being accountable for that has come into play. so we have to have our ducks in a row.

The POPI Act has now come into force. We have sent out a Google Form for you to complete. This form has a twofold process, as it will not only clean up our database, but it will also tell us as to what you want us to do regarding the privacy of your information for POPI purposes.

Please make sure you complete the form sent to each email address, if you have not received the email or WhatsApp, you are welcome to email admin@gbnw.co.za us to make changes and get this important email to you.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

For those who were unable to attend the meeting, we had 42 members present, we welcomed Samuel Samson from Area East, Department of Safety & Security which falls under Alderman JP Smith to read the results and present us with our re-accreditation certificate. The following reports were tabled at the meeting: Chairman's Report, Ian Pollock

GORDON'S BAY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 9 JUNE 2021

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

During the past 18 months it has been more than a pleasure to serve the community of GB together with fellow Gordon's Bay Neighbourhood members. During this time, we have experienced many Ups and Down's:

DOWN'S:

1. COVID was the most prominent from 26 March 2020.
2. Continuous lockdown levels and constraints on our smooth operations
3. Unlike other parts of the country, City of Cape Town's insistence to comply to nation regulations did help the situation.
4. Then came load shedding.
5. Social decay in our town and the rest of South Africa because of above.
6. Patrolling numbers have dwindled.

UP'S:

1. Continued support of Gordons Bay SAPS, Captain Delpont and her staff.
2. Support from Gordons Bay Security, and medical section
3. Cooperation's and information sharing of neighbouring Neighbourhood Watch structures. Somerset West and predominately Strand.
4. Gordon's Bay Community Forum and Gordon's Bay Residents Association

5. Gordon's Bay Lion's Club
6. Assistance from the City of Cape Town and especially DOCS for their support and guidance.

Through this collective of working arrangements GBNW had a small role to play in the following achievements for our town.

1. Disaster Risk Programme during the first hard lock down of COVID, assisted the city with information sessions, social distancing at feeding schemes and much more.
2. We partnered with four other organization to start the Charity Chest which is to date a successful project helping those in need – giving back to the community.
3. Assisting the with CPF Pink Bib Parking Attendant Project
4. Assisting with the Feeding scheme programme delivering parcels to those in need in our town 3 times a week, serving 40 families and in some instances more.
5. GBRA assisting to get ward allocation towards Camera system which is an advantage to our community.
6. Visit from JP Smith and a walk about in Temperance Town.
7. GBRA included the NW in a meeting with Dan Plato regarding the state of the town.

The time has come for fresh blood, new motivation, ideas, and new committee members to take GBNW to the next level as the

criminals up their game so should the Neighbourhood Watch.

I am a firm believer that the NW success is contributed to a collective desire to live in a crime free zone, connecting 'like-minded' people to achieve the goal. In closing I personally wish the new incoming GBNW committee the very best.

Special thanks to the outgoing committee who worked together over the past 2 years to not only keep GBNW at its best, but also sacrificing precious family time in the process of giving back to the community. Thank you.

Thank you to the following members:

- Frikkie Myburg – for taking on the patrollers function, for guiding and mentoring with great success.
- Jacques de Bruin – for his continued support to all
- Anne Fouche, for the work done not only with the Food Parcels but also

heading up the Charity Chest and NW team and continued patrolling.

- David Morgan – as treasurer, thank you.
- Lisa Short-Smit – for the radio control, and background work done of sales etc.
- Mac Quinn – who was co-opted on to the committee recently – thank you Marc for your support.
- Edwina Hadfield – thanks for all your do for GBNW and the community.
- Most of all the great big thank you goes to each GBNW member all with common mind set, prioritizing the safety of our community, I thank you.

(signed)

**I POLLOCK
CHAIRMAN**

GORDON'S BAY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH FINANCIAL REPORT

On behalf of the Treasurer, it is unfortunate that Mr Morgan is unable to present the Treasurers report due to his Exco suspension.

It is regrettable that only opening and closing balances for the year March 2020 to February 2021 which is the financial year of the GBNW is given as we do not have the full set of monthly bank statements.

Financials as follows:

Opening Balance:	R58 564.89
Closing Balance	R30471.72
Difference	R28 093.17 which reflects monies spent.

We do know that we paid the following:

Charity Chest	R5 000.00
Jackets	R13 000.00 (approximate figure)

A difference of R10 000.00 which we are sure can be accounted for.

The Exco Committee in no ways feel that there are any irregularities, it is a case of getting the original bank statements instead of the transaction reports as supplied which do not run consecutively to enable a proper financial report.

A full reconciliation will be made once the file has been received from Mr Morgan and a full statement will be sent to all members. Chairperson: Ian Pollock (signed)

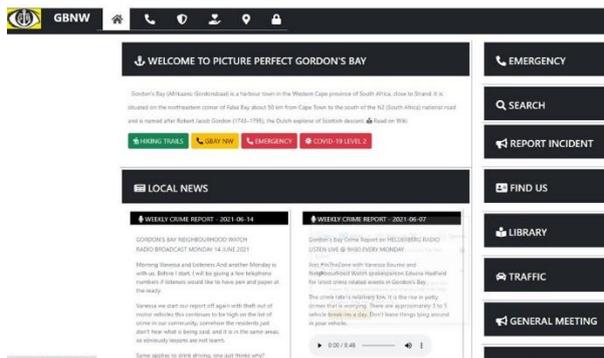
The electronic voting process was overseen by the CPF and of the 63 votes submitted, with one duplicate, the results are as per our photograph from left to right: Edwina, Sarel, Jacques, Anne, Lisa, Marc, Leon and Samuel Samson.



WEBSITE

Its time to make changes to our website, and we thank Jan Kruger for his ongoing time to keep us going, and Jan is presently working on bringing the site into a more modern look and feel and updating all the information – please be patient this is happening.

OUR NEW DIGITAL PLATFORM



For the past two months we have been talking about this product and we are at a point where we are about to launch.

We are so excited to have our very own platform which each member will be granted access to report any incident,

report streetlights, blocked drains, potholes etc directly o the COCT.

For the Patrollers they will be using this platform to book on and off, the system will monitor your hours and continually see how we are doing as a patrolling group, what we have done day by day, week by week and for the mot – compare month to month etc.

The system will also log your daily reports, what you see and what is happening in the town will now be logged, it will then flag hot spot areas that need more eyes etc – and more and more – it is so exciting, and we thank Conrad for giving us the opportunity to implement this system, we are so grateful. Watch this space.

Accreditation 2021



PRIORITY LIST

To keep you updated with what we are working on, we have included our priority list, to show what we are working on in the coming weeks to get our documentation into place.

TO BE DONE	Date Start	To be Completed by	Progress/Next Step
1. Constitution	12 June 2021	Completed	Discuss changes with EXCO – Google form to members to sanction changes
2. Code of Conduct	5 July 2021	10 July 2021	Needs to be submitted to EXCO and members
3. POPI ACT	2 July 2021	2 July 2021	Confirm with members regarding personal information
4. Membership Confirmation	2 July 2021	2 July 2021	Google form to members for confirmation and return by 5 July 2021
5. Membership – clean up data base, remove members no longer change details where details have changed	5 July 2021	12 July 2021	In Progress
6. Membership – fingerprinting – continue with the re-fingerprinting of members as started 2 months for re-accreditation purposes	10 July 2021	27 July 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be completed by end of July for submission to Doc's. • All members must have their fingerprints taken again – dates will be advised to get through the process.
7. Membership Cards	On Going		Will be issued with members Welcome pack when fingerprints are returned.
8. Policies & Procedures	5 July 2021	On going	Make a start on the policies and procedures file as required by the POPI Act
9. Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's)	5 July 2021	On Going	Complete the SOPs as the policies are developed -discuss with EXCO
10. New Digital Platform	On going		Launch on 15 July
11. Online Shop	15 July 2021		In Progress
12. Assets Register	5 July 2021	27 July 2021	In Progress
13. Treasurer / Banking	5 July 2021		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change of signatories. • Obtain all outstanding statements.
14. Website	On going	On going	In progress of being updated and modernized.
15. Patrollers	On Going		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment of more patrollers. • Organising the SOP for the groups
16. Street Groups	We want to know that we have NW Champions in every street in GB	On Going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once membership checklist is back, we can then see who belongs to street groups and start working with them

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