

EASTLAKE ISLAND CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CID) – JULY 2025

Hello Neighbours!

Nature's season of recuperation is truly upon us! The brrrrr is undeniable! This, of course, is the perfect opportunity for a bit of self-hibernation. Whether it's an opportunity of an hour or two's respite with an un-put-downable book, a good drink, and welcome fire or braving the cold and doing something fun outdoors, we keep moving forward. This is exactly what your CID team is doing. Continue reading for an update of some of the items completed since the previous newsletter.

Parks and Gardens



Have you noticed that some of our recently created 'flower beds' have started blossoming? We have also planted a few indigenous trees to replace some of the existing trees that have died off.

The 3-month mowing of the public open spaces has been completed (not too well though) by the contractors employed by the City of Cape Town.

The MDGA gardeners work across the Marina da Gama, with our CID area covered once a month. Unfortunately, to our dismay, the gardeners were commandeered by a member, without the permission of the MDGA, to look after his area in the greater Eastlake Island area. This matter, amongst others gardening issues, will be discussed with the recently appointed executive committee of the MDGA.

The sidewalks and pavements have been neatened up by the CID with the assistance of Darren, a casual residing in Vrygrond.



We would like to continue employing Darren more often, but our budget will not cover regular employment, even on a weekly basis. If any of our members and residents would like to donate to the upgrading of our public open spaces – please feel free to do so (we have had an offer or 2 but have not followed up on these generous offers. Please drop a mail to info@eastlakeislandcid.co.za and we will forward the bank details.

Security Update

No notable security incidents in the CID area.

A reminder:

Deep Blue Control Room –whatsapp line is 076-4338658 (or contact them on 021-7907901)

Security Alert: ELI – CID : this whatsapp group is best used to alert the residents in Eastlake Island on security issues that affect many of us.

Infrastructure

There are no updates to the requests that we have submitted to the CoCT. As mentioned previously, these are all long-term projects that will require review and approval by the relevant managers subject to budget reviews. IF any of them bear fruition, it will lead to a major improvement in our area.

Please continue to log your service requests with the City of Cape Town. The City is responsible for the maintenance of the roads (including potholes), water leaks, sewage and street lights and any other issues that are covered by our rates and taxes.

Contact details at the City for service requests are: Customer call centre at **0860 103 089**;

or online at www.capetown.gov.za/servicerequests

Social Upliftment



Food Drive: Thank you to those that contributed towards the CID food drive. The non-perishable items were delivered to the Sunrise Educare Centre. Natalie (on the right), the principal, was immensely grateful for the donations which were delivered by Barrie Barnard (in his Checkers 60 minutes bags) on Mandela Day. [The photo only includes a portion of the goods delivered.

The CID committee wishes to add its thanks to all those that contributed to the food drive.

We continue with our collection of books for the Loxion library. As the Loxion library caters mainly for children, we will be holding a book sale of all the donated books when the weather improves - all the funds will be donated to the Loxion library for the purchase of children's books.

General:

- The CID has completed its first year of operation. The year-end accounts have been finalised and submitted to the auditors.
- Both Cllr Mandy Marr (ward 61) and Cllr Izabel Sherry (ward 64) attended our previous board meeting. We are grateful for their contributions to the meeting and the assistance offered.
- Members of the CID committee attend quarterly CID meetings arranged by the City of Cape Town – the following virtual meeting is being held on the 29 September 2025. Please contact the CID if you wish to listen in.

Eastlake Island CID calendar:

Board meeting: 12 August 2025

On request, you may attend and address the committee before the start of any board meeting.

AGM: (prov) 12 November 2025

Please feel free to reach out to any CID Committee member via email. Our email address is info@eastlakeislandcid.co.za.

What is happening in the Marina?

Marina da Gama Association – we look forward to working closely with the newly appointed Executive Committee of the MDGA. Peter Weir and Rudy Kindler, both directors of our CID, have been appointed to EXCOM.

Looking for plants for your garden and verges? - Contours Landscapes Nursery are having a sale of A and B-grade plants including groundcover, shrubs, trees and succulents on 25 July 2025 from 12:00 – 15:00. They are based in Capricorn Business Park.

Marina da Gama 50th anniversary coffee table book – stay tuned for the details of the pre-launch date on all Marina social media channels.

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Working together towards an improved Eastlake Island.....

The Eastlake Island CID committee