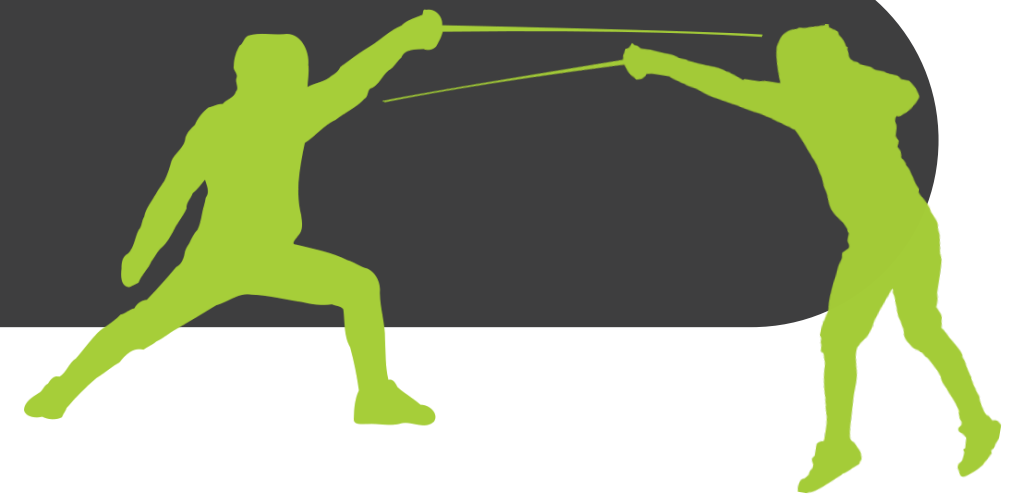


The thirteenth community dialogue meeting was held on the 17th of November at the Touwsranten community hall. 16 people from Hoekwil and Touwsranten attended the meeting which was facilitated by Chandré Gould, Morné Heunis, Rosslyn Damons and Sharon Appels.

The meeting was conducted in both English and Afrikaans as per the language policy



# Fencing Team News



In February of 2023 the fencing team will be representing South Africa in a fencing competition in Ghana. A request was made on behalf of Hershaf and Britany to assist in raising funds needed - around R80 000. They have made a request for support to the department of Arts and Culture.

## Fund Raising Ideas



using the radio to fundraise



Approach companies for possible sponsorship



Approach George Business Chamber

Approach Gift of the Givers to see if they can assist with the team's other needs



Send a letter to the Mayor of George to ask for assistance

Proposal was raised for the Market group to consider having a raffle



Approach the Kolisi Foundation



The fencing team coach was requested to provide an official letter containing the competition details as well as banking details to be distributed to prospective sponsors; and to provide pictures/pamphlets to the group for distribution.

# IDP Submission



The attendees agreed to identify projects for the IDP list since the previous IDP meeting in Touwsranten had not led to a list being made. The following projects were agreed upon, and these were approved by the Councillor after the meeting and sent to the municipality as a submission from Hoekwil and Touwsranten residents:

## Capital Projects

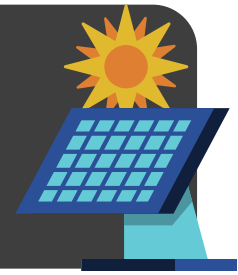
A community centre in Touwsranten that would include facilities for youth activities, activities for elderly people and other interest groups in the community



GO George buses should service Touwsranten and Hoekwil as soon as possible



There is a need for Solar streetlights to be placed along the walkway between Touwsranten and Hoekwil



There is a need to upgrade the sport field in Touwsranten, building a club house and pavilion



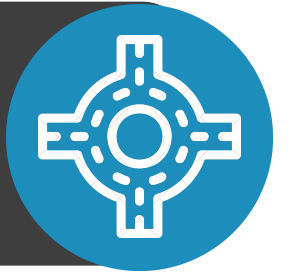
Services for the informal settlement, this includes additional toilets, paving of streets between houses, refuse collection as well as additional taps



More houses need to be built in Touwsranten



Two Traffic Circles - one at the junction of the main road and the 7 passes road, and another outside the community hall



Paved walkways to be built in Touwsranten



## Operational Priorities

Refuse removal should be extended to the informal settlement in Touwsranten

There is a need for retaining blocks to be brought in to Mountain View street in Touwsranten to hold the steep bank from collapsing

# Feedback about positive actions in the community

## Youth Group

Meets once a week to keep up the momentum. They are positive and planning to be more active next year. They were asked to consider asking for a youth centre from the George municipality.

A new rugby team named Hoekvillagers was established on the 16th of September. This club welcomes players from both Hoekwil and Touwsrante, both men and women. They have submitted their registration forms to the SWD and are awaiting approval which they should get on the 26th of November. This club was formed as a means to deter youth from engaging in substance abuse and encourage them to live up to their potential.



## SAPS

Assault cases have been on the increase in Touwsrante. There was a street robbery in Hoekwil.

Successful drug raids were carried out since our last meeting.

Community members were encouraged to speak out should they witness crime, this can be done anonymously.

The AGM of the neighbourhood watch recently took place but unfortunately only 9 people attended so a committee could not be selected. The agenda will be carried over to the next year. It was proposed that the SAPS could have a dialogue with men to talk about what men can do to stop GBV..

A concern was raised regarding SAPS taking too long to respond or telling people to settle issues on their own. It was said that some police officers refuse to take statements. People were advised to ask for the name of the person who answers the phone when they call SAPS, so that when the SAPS checks up on the progress of reported cases they know which officers were involved. The station commander can also be approached in cases where people are not satisfied with how their cases were handled.

## Market

The next Market was moved to the 21st of December and is set to take place at the Touwsrante Community Hall. It will still be a twilight market from 16:00 until 20:00. The Market has two priorities which are bring people from the two communities together and making money for stall holders, particularly those from Touwsrante. More advertising is needed in order to ensure more exposure and inform more people about the market.



To close the meeting people were asked to stand in a circle and turn to the person on their right and tell that person what they appreciate about them. This was a form of practice of kindness to others

## Year end Celebration and Braai

13 Dec  
5:00 PM

The final meeting will be a 'bring-and-braai'. People who can, are invited to bring something to share that they like to eat and that is traditional to their family. It will take place on the 13th of December at Lets Plant Nursery 8 Dennelaan Hoekwil. It was decided that it will be for anyone who has attended meetings of the dialogue, but it is not open to the public. This gathering will start at 17:00. People are free to bring their own camping chairs

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Hoekwil & Touwsrante

Community Dialogue



## Attendees List

Chandré Gould

Bongiwe Mlangeni

Andisiwe Makwecana

Roslynn Damons

Sheila Majola

Simon Mtshotana

Denzel De Swardt

Helet Theron

Sharon Appels

Mila Gould

Bennie Boshoff

Walter Damons

Andrew Jansen

Matthew Obel

Wilmi Dippenaar

Morné Heunis