



GOLDEN MILE

Home Owners Association

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GOLDEN MILE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026

Dear Golden Mile Property Owners,

The Christmas / Festive season is now almost a distant memory, as we all settle into 2026! Thanks once again, to the overwhelmingly positive support of Golden Mile Homeowners during the past year 2025. This positivity allows the GMHOA to continually explore ways to maintain the Golden Mile at aesthetically pleasing and secure levels. And it shows!!!

The GMHOA Annual General Meeting was held in October 2025 and minutes were circulated. Items worth noting as follows:

- Minor levy increase from R166.66 per month to R175.00 per month.
- Auditors and Prop Management Agents and accounts/budgets approved unchanged as presented.

MUNICIPAL VALUATIONS

Revised property valuations have been sent out to property owners by SBM. Please take note that there is an appeal process which one can follow should you find the valuation too high relative to actual market value. The prescribed form for lodging objections is available at municipal offices, libraries as well as website www.sbm.gov.za

Please submit your objections to:
The Municipal Manager
Private Bag x 12
Vredenburg
7380

Or via email to valuations@sbm.gov.za

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING OBJECTIONS: 16 APRIL 2026

February the 4th was a real treat in terms of “Rainbow Displays”



4th Feb Wonderful Rainbow Displays



FINANCE/MEMBERSHIP

**Please take note that the banking details for the GMHOA have officially changed to:
NEDBANK / Account Number: 130 916 6641**

For those property owners who have not yet paid the annual GMHOA levy , we encourage you to assist in funding our initiatives that will ensure your property values are maintained. Levies for the 2026 year @ R 2 100.00 per annum or R175.00 per month. To those members who generously fund various items and or commit additional funds and or time to projects - many thanks!

Funds are actively applied to important items such as security camera networks, median upgrades and maintenance and a host of other smaller but important ongoing activities. All of these activities contribute to making Golden Mile the aesthetically pleasing environment which we all so enjoy.

CAMERA MONITORING AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The upgrading and expansion of the camera system is an ongoing Neighbourhood Watch driven project.

The impact of the GMHOA investment in the cameras is certainly evident, and reflected in the reduced crime stats and activities.

Please see the SHBCW PROJECT NIGHT OWL details at end of newsletter for additional information.

Members are encouraged to utilise the WhatsApp groups “SHBCW News and Updates” and “St Helena Bay CW” (Strictly Emergencies Only!!) as well as St Helena Bay CW Facebook to keep up to date with security projects. Contact Marius Van Vuuren 081 569 9942 for details/invites to join as well as how to contribute financially or otherwise in your personal capacity.

ADJUDICATING ARCHITECTS REF NEW BUILDS AND ALTERATIONS

Details of adjudicating architects can be found on the GMHOA website as per this link:

<https://goldenmilebritanniabay.co.za/about/>

MEDIAN UPKEEP AND MAINTENANCE

The original entrance to Golden Mile pillars, and supporting boundary walls down to the parking area have been repaired and painted as well as an upgrade to the parking area sidewalk.







Andre of J&R Garden services continues to maintain the public open spaces.

Building Activity/Building Plans on the Golden Mile

There is a notable decrease in plan approvals for 2026 compared to the previous year.

GMHOA continues to work closely with SB Municipality to ensure that building regulations and aesthetics are adhered to and respected.

A reminder to property owners on the Mile to be mindful of the impact of construction working hours, as **working on Saturdays and Sundays or till late at night is an irritant to those enjoying the normal tranquility of surrounding beach homes.**

ROAD MANAGEMENT AND SPEEDING/LIGHTS

Ongoing discussions are occurring with SBM ref speed bumps still outstanding as well as signage on the Golden Mile. Most potholes along the Mile have been attended to.

DUNES & WATER SPORTS

NSRI has a presence in St Helena Bay

Enquiries related to sea rescue and related issues can be directed to them as follows (emergency number as per above photo):

To visit their webpage: <https://www.nsri.org.za/2023/01/base-showcase-station-44-st-helena-bay/>

CRIME AND SHORT-TERM RENTALS

Please take special note of the fact that although the incidence of crime on the Golden Mile itself appears to be manageable at present, opportunistic type crime still occurs. Thanks to the major contribution by GMHOA to the security camera network for St Helena Bay stats are showing that Golden Mile is not necessarily the preferred choice for burglars!

Not taking basic precautions such as activating beams/alarms and securing windows/doors however, invites such crime and the stats bear this out time and time again.

Short term “vacation” renters still too often remain the main victims of these opportunistic burglaries along the Mile as basic precautions are not shared prior to them occupying homes.

Please place a laminated notice in your home advising the following:

- *Switch on all outside lights at night*
- *Ensure doors are locked and windows closed at night*
- *Activate alarm/beams at night*

Property owners are advised to screen applicants as crime incidents can also be related to “short term renters”.

STOMPNEUS BAY WASTE STATION ONGOING REMINDER

Members are encouraged to use the nearby waste transfer station (near to Da Gama monument) for disposal of garden waste to ensure vacant land on the Golden Mile is not used as dumping ground.

SBM RECYCLING

For new entrants to the Golden Mile, bags (clear) of recyclables (plastic/tin/paper/cardboard/glass) must be placed next to your wheely bins on refuse removal days (Currently Thursdays). The recycling contractor will remove your bag of recyclables and leave a fresh clear bag for next week's collection.

Golden Mile Webpage

Golden Mile HOA has a webpage, primarily to assist property owners wishing to contact management agent, study building guidelines or needing clarity on steps to follow for new homes or alterations.

Web address as follows: goldenmilebritanniabay.co.za



GMHOA TRUSTEES

Trustee Contact details:

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Dunes and Water Sports

Thys Louw: thys@diemersdal.co.za

Management Agent

Pinnacle Properties serves as our management agent. All enquiries regarding the homeowners can be sent to Maryke at maryke@pinnacleprop.co.za or 021 873 3400.

To all members, many thanks for the ongoing commitment and support!

GMHOA Board



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OVERVIEW AND PROJECT NEED IDENTIFICATION

On record, since 2006 St Helena Bay has been suffering housebreakings coming from the greenbelt/beach areas. The crime levels have increased every year since. While armed response companies, SAPS and St Helena Bay Community watch (SHBCW) patrol the streets, greenbelts and beach there are simply not enough people to cover every possible route and escape route, every day, every minute.

By installing thermal CCTV cameras at strategic positions, SHBCW have been able to start ringfencing an area, or monitor access routes to and from areas. The cameras send alerts to the SHBCW response team when a human is detected, eliminating the need for human patrols, or vehicles. This reduces the cost for armed response companies and SHBCW, and the needless patrols and sleepless nights when it is quiet.

The primary objective of Operation Night owl is to provide the SAPS and armed response companies (ARC's) with early warning when there is movement in the greenbelts or public open spaces. The main purpose is crime prevention and deterrence. The **SHBCW DOES NOT REPLACE** your Armed response companies and we cannot provide you with home alarm monitoring or armed response. This is still each person's ultimate choice and by signing up with one of the various companies in the area they become stronger and have more resources to assist the SHBCW.

FUNDING

The project needs to be funded by residents, willing to contribute sufficient funds to install the cameras.

A street or portion of a suburb can communicate their willingness to participate in the project to SHBCW, and a survey of the area will be conducted, and a quotation by a professional installer will be done, at using preferential pricing. Cameras will be installed as funds are donated for the street/area, with a payment referencing the street or area, as determined on the quotation.

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

Homes and buildings or points with an Eskom independent power supply and a stable internet connection will be required.

MONITORING

The monitoring of the cameras will be done as follows:

1. Monitoring is done by ADT Security/SHBCW as part of their contribution and commitment to the community.
2. Movement alerts will be sent directly to SHB SAPS and the Response team WhatsApp group
3. Movement alerts will be sent to all participating Armed Response Control Rooms.
4. Residents will also have the option to get alerts for their own street / area covered, and if feeling threatened, can phone SHB SAPS, and push their armed response panic buttons.



SHBCW

PROJECT NIGHT OWL



NPO 20231707945108

SINCE: 2 MAY 2023

Bank Details:

ABSA

Name : St Helena Bay Community Watch

Number: 4109310510

Type: Current

Branch Code: 632005

Reference: use your address or area, funds will be allocated to your area/ street or close where needed first.

Sent proof of payment to:

SHBCommunitywatch@gmail.com

076 728 6818

Thank You