



## **KLIPRIVIERSBERG CONSERVANCY:**

### **DEVELOPMENT INTEGRATION PUBLIC MEETING REPORT BACK**

On Wednesday, 15 September 2010 approximately 90 people attended a meeting held at Thaba ya Batswana with the purpose of exploring the dynamic and complex relationships of development and conservation, or rather integrated sustainability, to be able to guide development into the Klipriviersberg Conservancy area.

As a result of the meeting a clear mandate regarding the approach and philosophy regarding development was established.

After welcoming everybody to the meeting the Chairman of the Conservancy, Andrew Barker, gave a presentation which outlined some of the background to the establishment of the Conservancy and what had been identified as being of importance in the management framework for the Conservancy. He also noted some of the key legislation and policies for development and planning in the area and then facilitated a discussion regarding the nature of the approach towards development in the area.

A copy of the presentation is available on the website.

It was accepted that the Conservancy should take a catalytic role in its approach towards planning and development within the area of the Conservancy. The Conservancy should promote sustainability through collaborative and cooperative integrated management. This would aim to promote sustainable social and economic development while protecting, promoting and enhancing the natural assets and environment of the area.

The outcomes of the discussions include the following key aspects which would form the basis of the development philosophy and approach for the Conservancy:

- Integrated urban management for the Conservancy should include:
  - Manage and guide development
  - Build authority relationships
  - Engage developers
  - Address illegal uses
  - Influence future roads
  - Inform policy
  - Support Bylaws
  - Promote disabled facilities
  - Initiate and support establishment of task teams
- The Basis for a development policy was identified as being:
  - Stop development where key natural assets are being threatened
  - Promote appropriate development
  - Find the Middle road
  - Promote Biodiversity Stewardship
  - Establish Carrots & sticks
  - Identify and protect Green corridors

- Establish Green servitudes
- Inclusion in conditions of approval
- Compliance management and monitoring
- Promote green building codes
- Encourage development interventions

In terms of the way forward, the participants agreed on the following:

- Acceptance of an approach to promote collaboration in realising integrated development processes and when required: non-negotiables will be protected.
- Establish a team of volunteers to assist - names of volunteers were recorded for the Development Integration team
- Prepare a clear policy re development
- Establish how to participate and engage authorities and developers
- Involve residential and business organisations

For further details regarding the outcomes see below.

Should anyone wish to become involved in the team that is being established to address development integration in the Klipriviersberg Conservancy area they should contact the Chairman by clicking [here](#).

The next meeting of the Development Integration team will be held at 16:00 at Thaba ya Batswana on Tuesday, 12 October 2010.

**Klipriviersberg  
Conservancy: Development  
Integration Public Meeting**  
Wednesday 15 September 2010  
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Development Integration  
1. Workshop Presentation

When required: non-negotiables will be protected ✓  
 Acceptance of approach to promote collaboration in realising integrated development processes?  
 Names of volunteers recorded → Establish a team of volunteers to assist  
 Prepare a clear policy re development  
 How to participate and engage authorities and developers  
 Residential organisations  
 Business organisations → Involve

5. Way Forward

Stop development!!  
 Promote appropriate development  
 Integrated biodiversity  
 Social  
 Economic  
 Spatial development with the critical integration of sustainability  
 Find the value opportunities  
 Minimise the detrimental impacts  
 Promote: 3WIS = Win-win-win Integrated Sustainability  
 Middle road?  
 Nature Reserve  
 Protected Environment  
 Biodiversity Agreement  
 Conservation Area  
 Protection levels  
 Biodiversity Stewardship  
 Technical  
 Fiscal  
 State support  
 Need to be meaningful  
 Legislative enforcement  
 Strong penalties for non-compliance  
 Special rating  
 Tax breaks  
 Levy reductions  
 Incentives  
 Carrots & sticks

Approach Alternatives & Options: Basis for a Development  
4. Policy

Linking areas  
 Linear fingers → Green corridors  
 Legal mechanism to secure development moratorium → Green servitudes  
 Title deeds conditions  
 Township conditions  
 Home owners associations  
 Inclusion in conditions of approval  
 Compliance management and monitoring  
 SANS 204 has been in the public domain for some time and has been referenced in a range of projects and tools, such as the two Greenstar rating tools  
 Promote green building codes  
 Provided a voluntary standard that has and is being used in industry  
 Walking  
 Riding  
 Cycling → Activity trails  
 Green design & building codes  
 Indigenous landscaping  
 Wetlands  
 Greenbelts & corridors  
 Biodiversity management  
 Development interventions  
 Low pressure gas reticulation  
 Reuse  
 Recycle  
 Renew  
 Reduce → Waste management

Issues

Focus on Management  
2. Framework

Integrate Urban Development

1 Manage and guide development  
 ACTION → Work with authorities and developers to introduce appropriate development  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 Build authority relationships  
 Build developer relationships  
 Establish development monitoring system  
 Promote sustainable/green building & development  
 Engage developers  
 Inform policy  
 1 Build authority relationships  
 ACTION → Initiate discussions with authorities regarding development applications and participation in development processes  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 1 Engage developers  
 ACTION → Build relationships with developers to assist in development applications particularly where environmental sensitivities are involved  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 2 Address illegal uses  
 ACTION → Work with authorities regarding occurrences of illegal uses  
 Establish a process to inform authorities regarding illegal uses that are identified  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 Influence future roads  
 PWV 16  
 K77, 87, 144, 122, 130  
 K47  
 F4\_2627BD.pdf  
 F5\_2628AC.pdf  
 ACTION → Work with national, provincial & local authorities regarding future road network  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 2 Inform policy  
 Environmental  
 Integrated Development Plan  
 Metro and Regional Spatial Development Frameworks  
 ACTION → Establish a process to participate in policy development processes with authorities  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 2 Support Bylaws  
 ACTION → Establish processes and contacts to assist authorities regarding bylaw enforcement  
 R: Andrew Barker  
 Promote disabled facilities  
 Initiate and support establishment of task teams with  
 Authorities  
 Specialists  
 Sponsors  
 Carbon Credits  
 NGOs

Parking area - issues raised & need to be addressed  
3.

Branding Sense of place  
 Working with EMM  
 Problems around services and servicing of land for development  
 Beautifying existing areas first before new areas  
 Enforcement backup is a priority  
 Vision and priorities  
 Development pressures  
 EMM residential RDP development  
 EMF or CMF  
 Dumping sites → Lack of sites available  
 No open when needed  
 Education campaign or all residents  
 Increase area of reserve  
 Cluster and space development  
 Walking trails and corridors  
 Blouboos trail resuscitation  
 Mining activities  
 Supporting infrastructure for developments - schools, clinics, libraries etc  
 Eikenhof area reports and urban management problems