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Dear Residents of SVE

Our Website

Entering the digital frontier, SVE now has a website! The website holds useful information like the required forms for pet registration, gym membership, tag requests and clubhouse bookings. On the website you can find the latest newsletter and a series of older ones, a gallery and important contact details. There's also a map, should you need to explain directions to guests.

The website is continuously being improved and updated, so please make www.svestate.co.za a bookmark on your browser. We must also extend our thanks to its talented designer, Sonja, and please enquire on the website, should you need her details for other projects.

Building site next door

A group of trustees recently visited the building site next door and had a very pleasant meeting with the construction manager and project manager. A map of the project, as well as a view of its architectural style was available. It appears that it will consist of 3-storey blocks with some 2-bed, 2-bath, the majority being 2-bed, 1-bath.

The high earthwork, which alarmed us all, is the intended gate-house. The section of our wall affected by raised construction, will be extended and raised to the required height by Probuild. That will ensure that our residents in that area retain their privacy. The wall will also be plastered and painted on both sides at their cost. The plan is to complete the other perimeter walls to ensure maximum security for us all, then, when our communal wall is being worked on, additional security guards will be appointed. Our existing, effective security measures will be replaced – also at no cost to us.

Traffic flow into the new complex will be similar to ours at SVE, where the flow will be directed to a central circle, so we will not have a constant flow of traffic right next to our wall!

Phase 1 of the project should be completed by the end of February 2013, phase 2 by April and phase 3 by June. There will be a large wedge in front of the complex which can be grassed for recreational purposes, and there will be a gap between them and the German Club, as this is a provincial road reserve and has been for some years. An environmentalist and landscaper has been employed by the company, so we look forward to seeing a neat complex as a neighbour.

Unfortunately, there has been a rather unpleasant odour at times, owing to the fact that soil, which contains refuse of all kinds, is being moved by the metal monsters we can see and is now releasing gases. Hopefully, a temporary inconvenience!

Inspector Bin

Warning: you may find yourself being the recipient of a letter advising you NOT to throw 'unbagged' refuse into the black bins. It is difficult to find the culprit in the 4-unit blocks, but they will be identified by a process of elimination! It appears that some residents simply dump loose rubbish into the bins, making it very messy for those who have to empty the bins and very smelly for those who open the bins to put in a bag. Most unhygienic, to say the least!

Garden cuttings are also NOT permitted in the black bins, but must be taken out of the gate to the closed area on the left of the complex. Orange bins are (as we are all aware) for paper recycling, and any glass must be placed in the relevant container which is also outside the gates. Kindly inform all domestic workers of these rules as well.

Gym Fees

This applies to the fit and the disciplined! Gym fees will be R45/month as from 1 June for re-registrations. It is so pleasing to note that we have a large contingent of fitness-aware residents!

Pool

Certain repairs are being done to the pool. Apologies to those who swim come rain, hail, chill or shine! Those using the main pool facilities will also note the new bathrooms near the clubhouse.

We hope that you are enjoying the last crisp days of Autumn and that you are comfortable and contented in our SVE home!

Warm regards

Trustees