## LYTTELTON SECTOR 4 CPF COMMUNITY

WELCOME TO OUR



# **Quarterly Newsletter**

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### LS4 CPSF CHAIMAN'S ANNUAL MESSAGE

Dear Resident

And here we are at the end of yet another year. Most of us are looking forward to a well-deserved break. Others might not be so lucky and will have to work.

In LS4 a lot has happened during the year and below is a short summary of some of our achievements:

- After years of struggle and a lot of email attempts, we eventually got a response from home affairs to deal with the dump dwellers. LS4 will keep this topic hot and keep on engaging all role players.
- To reward our volunteers and contributing members of Welriet NPC, Welriet, our financial sponsor, organised a paintball day. This was very well received by all that attended.

We have a new look website with a lot of information on regarding what LS4 is and does in the area, as well as all the contact information.

Unfortunately, we also had some bad moments:

- We had two murders in our area. This is very tragic and the cause a lot more anxiety to our residents.
- Although statistically our incident rate has dropped over the last 3 years, we are experiencing a dramatic increase in house breakings and theft out of properties. This is a huge concern and LS4 is working with all role players to find a workable plan to curb this.

In this area you are lucky to have several volunteers that sacrifice their family time to help in the community. Everything they do they have to fund from their own pockets, e.g., Airtime to manage street groups, fuel for patrols, etc.

And then we still have people on our groups that are really nasty to these volunteers and treated them very badly.



From the LS4 EXCO and me we applaud the volunteers that still help the community under very difficult circumstances. Without you, there will be no CPF.

Then I need to mention that we have several security companies in the area that work hard to safeguard their customers, and some went above what they need to do to assist every member of this community. A big thank you to you all as well. May you all have a blessed Christmas and holiday and if you are on the roads, PLEASE look out for all the other drivers around you as well.

PS: If you feel you are able to do some community work, please contact us, we have a lot of different areas where

you can assist in the community.

Please ensure you get onto an LS4 Street group for valuable information and safety tips.

Your LS4 Chairperson in Service Frans Sauer



### FEATURE ON OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

LS4 CPSF and Welriet NPC would like to appeal to our community to help us assist those less fortunate we would like to buy school shoes for those that are not able to afford them.

We will take hands with Delanie Bezuidenhout and "My Walk" to buy "My Walk Recycled" school shoes (they are made from recycled medical waste) at a cost of R35.00 only.



If you would prefer to buy your own shoes, you may deliver these to the JOC (room 104B The Park Shopping Centre entrance, between Apple Tree and the Standard Bank ATM) between 08h00 and 14h00 before 12 January 2024. Or you may make a donation before 20 December 2023 to:

> Welriet NPC Community Banking details: Bank: FNB Branch: Lynwood branch (252045), Account Number: 62327217883 Reference: Your Name and Shoes



### Fun and Games Answers on next page

**Riddle**: What do the following words have in common?

Assess	Potato
Banana	Revive
Dresser	Uneven
Grammar	Voodoo

**Riddle:** What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, has a bed but never sleeps?

Riddle: If you've got me, you want to share me; if you share me, you haven't kept me. What am I?

Riddle: What can travel all around the world without ever leaving it's corner?

## LS4 PROJECTS: CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR SECURITIES

Christmas Day Lunch drive\* As the year end draws near. We look forward to the holidays and festive season.

With this in mind, LS4CPSF would like to show those security companies reaction officers /SAPS members that will be working on Christmas day in our area to keep us safe, our communities appreciation.

We would like to offer them a Christmas lunch. If you are able to contribute please make a deposit to

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## **General Matters**

To ensure the enjoyment of our neighbourhood and the ability to walk with our children be it in the park or on the streets please ensure: When walking with your dogs, by law:

- Dogs to be led (1) No person may permit any dog to be at large in a street or public place unless the dog is kept on a leash or a chain and under the control of such person.
- Any authorised officer may impound a dog that is in a street or public place and is not kept on a leash or a chain, and such dog must be dealt with in accordance with Chapters 9 and 12.

# HOW TO CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG



### Fun and Games Answers to riddle

- 1. If you take the first letter and move it to the rear of the word, you get the same word when read backwards.
- 2. A River
- 3. A Secret
- 4. A Stamp

## LS4 CPSF AND WELRIET FUTURE EVENTS

## Early in 2024

#### PAINT OUR PARKS

We will be painting the Play equipment at the Boston Park and Peffer Park in our community.





Early 2024 2ND PAINTBALL DAY

We will host our second paintball day, this event is for LS4 volunteers and Welriet contributing members.

## 13 January 2024

#### **NEW BEGINNINGS FUNCTION 2024**

Contributing members and Volunteers Join LS4 CPF, Welriet and a surprise guest for a New beginnings function. This event is our way of thanking the Volunteers and contributing members and their families. With a hand over of the shoes the community have donated to the Walk in my shoes project







### **13 April 2024** ANNUAL FUN RUN AND MARKET DAY

Save the date and if you are a vendor and would like more information please contact us via email on info@lyttelton4.co.za

## **Competition Time**

### **REFER A NEIGHBOUR COMPETITION!**

Welriet NPC has hit 408 contributing members. we grew by 76 but 33 members resigned due to moving out the area.

Let's challenge our neighbours to join and see who can win the prize for the most referals for the month

We would like to challenge everyone to speak to their neighbours and persuade them to become a contributing member. The more members we have, the more projects we can tackle. Please ask them to contact us and name you as the person who referred them, so we can ensure you are entered into the draw. Contact detail at the top.





# Why must I join my local CPF?

DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND! ~ FEEDBACK FROM VOLUNTEERS

#### Why I became an LS4 Volunteer ~ (LS4 Patroller)

I became a patroller for one very simple reason. One cannot sit back and complain that nothing is being done about the rising crime in our beautiful area.

Therefore, I raised my hand and I am trying to help where I can. I want my children to grow up in a beautiful and safe environment.

Ride their bicycles in the road, play in the parks and feel safe every day of their lives



SAPS Emergency 10111



#### Why serve on LS4 as a Volunteer ~ (LS4 Volunteer)

Theodore Roosevelt said, "The first requisite of a good citizen in this Republic of ours is that he shall be able and willing to pull his own weight; that he shall not be a mere passenger, but shall do his share in the work that each generation of us finds ready to hand; and, furthermore, that in doing his work he shall show, not only the capacity for sturdy self-help, but also selfrespecting regard for the rights of others."

There is so much wrong with South Africa and the societies we live in. I firmly believe that we are the architects of our children's futures. Like any good father leaves a good inheritance for his children, so too ought we to do towards our collective children.

As Edmund Burke says: "All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing"

#### Why I became an LS4 Volunteer ~ (LS4 Volunteer)

I became sick and tired of seeing the general degradation happening in my neighbourhood and also became alarmed by the increase in crime. The majority of South Africans love to complain and expect somebody else to solve problems, just because they pay for it.

If we want to continue living in safe suburbs that we can also feel proud of, we must be prepared to roll up our sleeves. The situation with the majority of municipalities these days will not improve miraculously.

One person's effort will not make a noticeable difference but with team-work a lot can be achieved. I'm volunteering some of my time to assist with improving our current situation. It is also nice to meet new people with the same goals in mind.

#### Why I became an LS4 Volunteer ~ (LS4 Patroller)

Growing up in Elardus Park, I still remember riding my bike around the streets and how safe it was. Back then we even had our own Police Station here in the Elardus Park Shopping Centre.

Now 30 years later I also want the same safe area for my children to grow up in and with the ever increasing crime rate SAPS and the security companies in our area have their hands full and rely on the help of the volunteers to make the area safe for old and young. I am grateful for the small difference I can make as an LS4 patroller and the wonderful people I have met serving the community.



## Welriet NPC

#### WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO ACHIEVE IN 2024

#### RADIOS

In 2024 we will be placing two extra repeaters in the LS4 area to improve signal on the radios. Nick Barnes has agreed to take on the role of programming and controlling the radio's.

With the increase in load shedding and power outages, a radio is not a luxury but a must have. We will start radio call again in 2024, so keep your radio's charged and keep a look out for when your radio call is being held. The 24 hour monitored radio network, which is a closed network where members can alert security and their neighbours of issues.

#### JOC OFFICE

Employ the JOC Office executive and an assistant to assist in reporting issues and following up. As well as assisting the community with dealings with SAPS, TMPD and COT.

#### BENEFITS

We are striving to ensure contributing members get benefits, eg free entrance to Garstkloof nature reserve once the "Friends of Garstkloof" has been established. Gate boards are given to assist LS4 patrollers to know you are a member in an emergency.

Fridge magnets, key rings etc. to ensure you always have the emergency number on hand. Free entry to Special events and special discounts for contributing members. We would like to offer ladies the facility of having someone meet them at their gate if they are arriving home late.

#### WISH TREE

We with the permission of the Park's Department will be planting a "Wish Tree in one of our parks, a place for people to go with their wishes or wellwishes for someone ill. A place to release the burdens weighing you down.

#### PARKS

We would like to enclose all the parks in our area, put play equipment in those parks that don't have.

#### SENSE OF COMMUNITY

We would like to be able to host more events for the community.

#### MAINTENANCE

We would like to be able to employ someone to do regular maintenance eg cleaning of pavements, mowing the parks etc. We would also like to buy more equipment for the clean-up's.

#### MARKETING

We are always looking for new ideas on marketing of LS4 and Welriet NPC, we are also always open to new ideas and suggestions of ways to assist and improve the community

#### WELFARE

We would like to be able to assist with basic training for our VEC team and First responders, so that they are best able to assist the community.

If you are not yet a contributing member and are willing to join us please use this link <u>https://www.cognitoforms.com/LS4CPSF/WelrietNPCMembership2</u> and complete the online application.

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Want to become a patroller, JOC operator or Welriet contributing member or have question?	
Office address:	Room C104b, The Park Centre, Barnard Street
Email address:	<u>info@lyttelton4.co.za</u> (LS4 CPSF) <u>welrietnpc@lyttelton4.co.za</u> (Community matters)
Website:	www.lyttelton4.co.za www.welriet.co.za
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Dear Welriet Members and Community

At the end of this month, we've reached the end of 2023. It was an eventful year and I would like to take an overview of what we achieved in the past year. First of all, I would like to thank our paying members for their continued support. Without your contribution Welriet and LS4 would not be able to support the community in the way we do. Please visit our websites to fully understand our business and how Welriet and LS4 CPSF work together.

We've also started **painting the play equipment**, benches and dustbins in our parks. Two parks were done so far and the last two, Boston Park and Peffer Park, will be done early in 2024. Our Mayor, Cilliers Brink, joined us when we painted Gabro Park and he also planted a tree. Thank you to the community members that water the tree on a regular basis.

**Emergency pothole repairs** are done by Jan Conradie and Koos Knoetze from Pallet. Welriet assist them with equipment and asphalt to do the job. We provide a list of work done to COT (City of Tshwane) which will then do a proper repair at a later date. As the rainy season has started, please report potholes to Elaine in the Welriet JOC office to be repaired.

Adopt A Spot, COT initiative. Welriet will do the application on behalf of the community at the COT. We've identified 19 areas in the area under our control of which 6 areas were adopted by community members. The reason to register our areas with COT is to safeguard residents against public liability. We can expand the list if necessary and we will provide a map and the people responsible for the areas on our website once the paperwork with COT is completed.

**Community wellness**. We refer cases to the CMR for attention and Welriet assist residents with 3 free trauma counseling sessions after trauma incidents. It is sad to say we had several traumatic cases we attended to in 2023. Please report any case where you need help to the emergency number. All cases and information will be regarded as confidential.

**Tshwane strike.** We had a three-month municipal strike and Elaine was inundated with requests to escalate CoT issues. Limited services from CoT

were provided and it was a difficult time for all residents. As an example, the city had 568 leaking pipes outstanding during the strike to be repaired.

**Ward councilor of Ward 47**, Daryl Johnston, resigned and Councilor Malcolm de Klerk availed him-self to stand in while a new councilor was elected. Lida Erasmus of the DA was elected in Ward 47 in November 2023.

**Feedback that we get from COT** after the strike is that a lot of departments are waiting for their budgets to be approved before they can respond to all the outstanding issues.

**Villa Mall.** Welriet wrote a letter to the City Manager to recover the outstanding rates and taxes on the property and thus force the owners to either develop or sell the property. No positive feedback was received from CoT. In the meantime, the land opposite the Villa Mall was sold on an auction and we will keep you informed of any development in this regard in future.

**Upgrade of Boeing/Goedehoop Road**. The contract was rewarded for a newly build single lane road with a shoulder. Two camps for equipment will be established at the c/o Piering and Boeing and c/o Goedehoop and Nelmapius. At this stage there will be no Stop/Go control on the road and a temporary road will be built to assist while working on the road.

Project duration is ±18 months. No sleep-in employees will be employed for the contract.

**Corobrik coal mine** application on Delmas Road. At the meeting held at the Yacht club at Rietvlei Nature reserve the attendees asked for an independent environmental report from a firm not connected to Corobrik. Feedback will be given once available. Various **open areas in our area were cut and cleaned** during the year. This includes but is not limited to the following open areas: Open veld in Ebenhaezer Road, open veld Solomon Mahlangu/Wingate, open veld Rubenstein/Wingate, Boeing and Delmas Roads. Thanks to Elaine for her efforts in these cases.

Welriet ordered **eight advertisement boards** to demarcate our area. These boards will be erected once our application for outdoor advertisement, submitted at COT, is approved. Two boards will only be erected once the upgrade of Boeing/Goedehoop Road is completed.

We would have liked to **increase our membership fees from R80 to R100** but due to tough economic times decided to rater request members that can afford it to voluntary increase their membership fees. Our membership fees were not increased in the past 15 years.

We entered into a contract with the ECF (Elderly Care Fund) in Petrus Street, Elardus Park, to store the **new Container we bought** there. This will help to store all our equipment safely in one place.

Welriet was also actively involved in discussions and plans to relocate the informal dwellers in Wolwespruit. We are positive that a solution to the problem will be found soon.

Welriet is also involved in discussions to prevent the continuous s**tealing of electric power cables** in our area. The problem is difficult to fix and, in most cases the problem is only moved to another area.

Early in 2024 **new ward representatives** for all the wards in Tshwane will be elected. Welriet will in-form the community of the date and requirements for the positions. We would like residents in our community to make themselves available for these positions as it will be the only way to assist our ward councilor on the needs of the residents in the ward.

## Welriet NPC YEAR END MESSAGE

Welriet NPC held numerous **clean-Up projects i**n 2023, Painting the play equipment in the parks. The two parks left will be done early in the New Year. We cleaned the main streets in the area. We were pleased to see some families joining us. Please come out and help keep our community clean. Welriet will give each school going youth a certificate if they attend a clean-up. The more hands we have the greater the area we can keep clean.



As you can see there was never a dull moment. We are positive that we will be able to increase our membership to grow stronger and to even do much more as a community forum.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that sacrificed their own time, vehicles and petrol to make Welriet and the LS4 CPSF successful. Please continue to do so and also recruit your neighbor to get involved in the community and Welriet/LS4.

May you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Koos Kruger Chairman: Welriet NPC

THE JOC OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 14 December 2023 AND RE-OPEN 05 January 2024