

INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY

PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose and intention of MID's Infrastructure Policy is to promote membership and community involvement in assisting MID to hold various departments of the City of Cape Town accountable for maintaining and improving local infrastructure and services to acceptable standards.

This policy is one aspect of MID's responsibility for environmental upgrade in the MID precinct, although MID is not expected to allocate funds for infrastructural work.

AUDITS, PROPOSALS AND SUGGESTIONS

MID will, from time to time, invite members of the Muizenberg community to collaborate in auditing the state of infrastructure and City services in the MID area. To facilitate this process, MID would like to build up a data base of local residents who are prepared, from time to time, to audit their street or block in respect of matters such as lighting, drainage, road signage, road and pavement surfaces, subsidence and theft of things like drains and drain covers.

On occasion, MID's requests for an audit may relate to specific projects, concepts or issues. On other occasions, the request may be for general review or update.

Members of the Muizenberg community are also welcome at any time to submit to MID proposals and suggestions as to necessary or desired maintenance and/or infrastructural upgrades. MID will refer these proposals or suggestions to appropriate officers etc. within the City.

APPROVAL AND PERMISSIONS

MID will facilitate discussion of proposals by MID members and other interested parties, but will not incur costs to do so. MID will also facilitate obtaining and recording response from people considering proposals.

MID will find out from the City what processes are required for them to consider and possibly approve suggestions made by members of the public. This information will be communicated to interested parties.

MID will not support proposals that transgress any laws or by-laws, or that are culturally or otherwise offensive to sectors of the community, or that are likely to prove divisive.

FUNDING

In general, MID will not fund any work on local infrastructure or City services such as traffic, sewerage, etc. MID's levy income is spent primarily on supplementing City services in respect of providing safety and security services in the area, on cleansing and basic garden maintenance, and on administration and communication. Environmental upgrade projects such as public art or greening are either externally funded or may sometimes draw on "over-retention" refunds from the City.

MID can, however, in some situations, assist the City and/or the Ward Councillor to prioritise funding of specific approved projects in the MID precinct.