



RECYCLING POLICY

PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose and intention of MID's Recycling Policy is to promote members' and wider community interest and involvement in recycling as a means of positive waste management, local environmental tidiness and environmental conservation, especially wetland conservation.

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 recycling.

Recycling may also become part of MID's social development responsibility, since it has potential as an avenue for organised income generation for indigent people and/or job creation.

PROPOSALS AND SUGGESTIONS

MID welcomes suggestions and proposals regarding recycling in the MID precinct. These should be presented in writing through the MID office (manager@mid.org.za) at 85 Main Road. Proposals can be in respect of formal recycling projects and/or structures, or for more informal processes. Proposals and suggestions should be adequately researched in terms of their acceptability to the City (re by-laws, etc.) and in regard to local community members who may be impacted by them.

Where possible, proposals should also take into account and dovetail with or add to other initiatives in the wider Muizenberg community, such as those of the Muizenberg and Lakeside Residents' Association, Marina da Gama, etc.

APPROVAL AND PERMISSIONS

Obtaining any necessary approvals and permissions will be the responsibility of people making recycling proposals. MID will find out from the City what processes are required for them to consider and possibly approve suggestions and proposals. This information will be communicated to interested parties.

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 encourage participation in and support for approved local recycling initiatives as far as possible, but 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 recycling projects. 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 in public areas, and on administration and communication. Environmental upgrade projects such as public art, greening and recycling are either externally funded or may sometimes draw on "over-retention" refunds from the City.