



**Epping**  
**City Improvement District**  
FOR A SECURE, CLEAN WORKING ENVIRONMENT

# ANNUAL REPORT

1 July 2011 - 30 June 2012

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## **SUMMARY**

1. In order to improve service levels and results, constant evaluation and proactive actions are taken. The major difference in Epping during 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 is the addition of 4 cameras to support the Law Enforcement and the ECID security officers.
2. The additions to the camera system were the major project for the year.
3. The continued sponsorships towards the Epping Law Enforcement officers has been phenomenal, the ECID is the only Improvement District in Cape Town to obtain the amount of funds pledged to a total of R 1 646 431.62 ex vat for the past 4 years.

## **THORBURN SECURITY REPORT**

The current service provider, Thorburn Security Solutions has through the last twelve months, focused on visibility and crime prevention.

1. Visibility has been enhanced with the placement of 2 new vehicles more suited to the environment.
2. Crime prevention has and will always be a high priority in Epping. The ECID is continually striving to improve the patrolling and crime prevention structure to ensure that all tenants and patrons experience the security of the working environment.

Crime prevention has been challenging this year possibly due to increased unemployment in South Africa. The ECID crime figures show an increase in theft off and attempted theft off premises. It must be noted that the Thorburn figures are not the total picture as you have SAPS and Law Enforcement each recording their share of incidents.

We have had a 100% increase in arrest/apprehensions initiated by the ECID security, we have experienced a reduction in break-ins. We do however face an ongoing challenge with common crimes, namely muggings and emphasize that companies and individuals should report these incidents.

The quad bikes are unique to Epping, as is the operational environment. No other CID has such a vast array of infrastructure, namely railway lines. The quad bikes have been well suited to the application, although most would look at 'the toys', one often overlooks the 'bigger picture'. The period 2011/2012 has not been a very rewarding year as far as the quad bikes are concerned, with the security service provider having to replace four complete quad bikes and one fully rebuilt quad bike frame, resulting in a quarter million rand cost through the year.

### **Overview**

The ECID along with Thorburn have monitored and assisted with three active strikes, with two of them following consecutively.

The Vanguard Drive intersections have posed an additional threat in terms of smash & grabs. Although it is not directly related and is a Policing issue, the ECID does focus on these activities during peak times.

The task at hand is none too easy. The ECID staff and Thorburn make every effort to ensure that all who travel to and from or merely pass by Epping are assured of a safe and secure environment.



**Reported by Thorburn Security and logged statistics for the year 01 July 2011 to 30 June 2012:**

<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Total</b>
Alarm Activations Attended To	128
Arrests/Apprehensions	79
Armed Robbery	12
Assault	14
Attempted Armed Robbery	1
Attempted Mugging	5
Attempted Rape	0
Attempted Theft-In Building (Break ins & Shoplifting incl)	6
Attempted Theft-Yard/Road	28
Bomb Threat/Bombing	1
Cart Horse Check/Complaint	9
Council Repairs/Maintenance	26
Damage to Property	4
Damaged CID Property	0
Damaged Council Property	0
Drag Racing	2
Drunk and Disorderly	4
Drunk Driving	0
Dumping	29
Fallen Trailer	1
Fires	29
Gas Leak	1
Hit & Run	1
Insecure Premises	29
Mugging	8
Murder	3
Possession / Confiscation Of Suspected Stolen Items	61
Possession / Use Of Drugs / Alcohol	15
Public Assistance	113
Public Disturbance	5
Public Indecency	38
Removing Of Council Property	0
Riotous Behavior	1
Road Blocks	0
Smash & Grab	2
Stolen goods recovered	6
Strike Action	0
Suspicious Persons-Searched	153
Suspicious Vehicles-Checked	104
Theft-In Building (Break ins & Shoplifting incl)	32
Theft-Yard/Road	63
Trespassing / Vagrants	25
Trolley Searches	14
Unsecured Loads	0
Vehicle Accidents	63
Warnings Issued	2

## **CLEANING**

Due to activity in the area it is necessary to keep the number of cleaning teams the same as during 2011.

The cleaning teams are;

Four grass cutting teams consisting of 1 operator and 2 sweepers per team

Two general cleaning teams consisting of 2 people each

One gutter cleaning team consisting of 2 people

One floating team consisting of 2 people.

Although there has been a decrease of  $\pm$  30% in dumping in Epping, it is still a recurring problem in the area.

Cleanup crews are constantly working the areas of Bofors Circle from Tripper Way to SA Metal and Gunners Circle to contain the cleaning up of waste paper and large volumes of rubbish/rotten fruit at the informal market.

A total of 63100 bags were used for cleaning in Epping 1 & 2 for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, 74 x 30 cube skips of rubbish have been removed from the area and the catch pits/man holes have been cleaned out 834 times. This takes the nine years total of refuse bags booked out to be 526020.



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## MAINTENANCE REPORT

### From June 2011 to June 2012

<b>ITEM</b>	
Refuge Bags Removed	63100 bags
Manholes Cleaned Out	89
Area Sprayed With Weed Killer	0
Catchpit Gulley's Cleaned Out	745 times
3 Ton Truck Loads Removed	51
Amount Of Times Grass Verges Were Cut	12
Concrete Waste Removal	21 tons
Amount Of Times Large Fields Were Cut	0
Trees That Were Pruned	273
Bridge Sides Cut	11 times
Extra Waste Of Illegally Dumped Rubble	36 tons
30 Cube Skip Bins Removed	74
Trees Pruned To Make Street Signs Visible	3
Illegal Signs Removed	24

# **MAINTENANCE REPORT TO DATE**

## **From December 2003 to June 2012**

<b>ITEM</b>	
Refuge Bags Removed	526020 bags
Manholes Cleaned Out	1010 times
Area Sprayed With Weed Killer	2 (twice)
Drains Cleaned Out	8137 times
3 Ton Truck Loads Removed	618
Amount Of Times Grass Verges Were Cut	101 times
Concrete Waste Removal	210 tons
Amount Of Times Large Fields Were Cut	1 (once)
Trees That Were Pruned	1992
Bridge Sides Cut	84 times
Extra Waste Of Illegally Dumped Rubble	720 tons
30 Cube skip bins removed	639
Trees pruned to make Street Signs visible	122
Illegal Signs Removed	569

## **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

We are faced with an ever altering economic crisis and extremely diverse demographics and are constantly dealing with new challenges on a daily basis. We continue to focus on improving service delivery.

### **Informal Market**

The ECID along with the assistance of various departments in Law Enforcement, Metro Police, SAPS and the Traffic Department; continue to tackle the ongoing issues attached to the Informal Market.

The Focus of Operations is to address;

- Traffic violations
- Overtrading
- Dumping
- Squatting
- Illegal packing and stacking of crates.

Traffic violations include;

- No number plates
- No license disks
- No PDP's
- No drivers Licenses
- Lights, brakes, tyres etc.

We have not been effective in conducting operational interventions through the year as an operational directive has been issued by Members of the MAYCO committee. The ground forces are to continue enforcing By-Laws and issuing fines etc. the MAYCO members are in the process of compiling an official report to determine the way forward.

The ongoing situation surrounding the Informal Market is and continues to remain an ongoing item for open discussion. The ECID will continue to do its utmost best to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all patrons passing through this area. One of the areas of ongoing concern and danger is double and triple parking.

### **Law Enforcement–General**

Through the year the ECID Law Enforcement has attended to more than 3 885 incidents and although a lot of these incidents may to some, appear to be of minor importance, when one looks at the overall scale of the impact of Law Enforcement in the Epping area one would most definitely agree that it has impacted positively.

Smash & Grabs still remain an area of concern to the ECID. In several joint ventures with SAPS, the ECID Law Enforcement has assisted Pinelands and Elsie's River SAPS to perform numerous public awareness programs.

Every effort is made to ensure that owners, tenants, staff and visitors to the area experience the safety and security of Epping.



Successes through the year have been measured on the number of interventions matched up against the number of positive arrests. The results ultimately indicate an increase in the number of incidents; this shows an increased proactive and effective measure of the current service being provided to the ECID by the Law Enforcement.

Although we do on the odd occasion, experience what would be called high profile crimes, through the assistance of Pinelands SAPS and Elsie's River SAPS, the area still remains a secure environment to develop property or conduct one's business. Through the networking of Security Service Providers in Epping, the ECID is able to build profiles of both criminals and suspects operating in Epping.

### **LAW ENFORCEMENT SPONSORS 2011-2012**

Air Liquide  
Autozone Hyper-Epping  
Cape Fresh International  
Coca Cola Canners  
Epping Industrial Suppliers  
Fastmould Specialists cc  
GlaxoSmithKline  
Impressions Screenprint  
Johnson Crane Hire  
Lithotech Manufacturing Cape  
Metboard Properties Ltd  
Nampak-DivFood  
Premier Foods  
SBV  
Switchboard Manufactures Cape  
Truda Snacks Cape (Pty) Ltd  
United Interiors  
WAH Investments (Pty) Ltd (Deli-Spices)

Aucor South  
Bellacraft  
Cape Formwork Contractors  
Conro Property Holdings (Pty) Ltd  
Epping Privaat Mark  
Gemini Marine cc  
Growthpoint Properties Ltd  
Indigo Brands  
Lawn Star  
Melbro Wholesale  
Micro Mouldings (Pty) Ltd  
OWA Ceilings  
Racec  
Starke Ayres  
Tomotex cc  
Unique Hydra (Pty) Ltd  
Unitrans Passenger (Mega Coach)



**LAW ENFORCEMENT FINE STATS MARCH 2009-JUNE 2012**  
**As supplied by Law Enforcement**

	<b>Fines Issued</b>	<b>Fines Value</b>
<b>March 09-June 09</b>	658	
<b>July 09-June 10</b>	2759	R 1 289 850.00
<b>July 10-June 11</b>	2989	R 1 211 600.00
<b>July 11-June 12</b>	2414	R 1,179,010.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8820</b>	<b>R 3 680 460.00</b>

<b>Law Enforcement Stats July 2011 - June 2012</b> <b>As supplied by Law Enforcement</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Arrests	49
<b>OTHER</b>	
Abandoned Items	11
Assistance to Public	223
Assistance To SAPS, Traffic, Metro etc	13
Cart Horses Searched/Removed	251
Complaints Attended To	212
Confiscations/Impoundments	82
Removal Of Vagrants	74
Stolen Items Recovered	3
Suspicious Persons / Premises / Trolleys Searched	840
Suspicious Vehicles Searched	84
Vehicle Accidents Attended To	36
Veld Fires	11
Written Warnings Issued	54
<b>FINES ISSUED</b>	
Animal drawn vehicle left unattended	6
Approach/Follow a Person Causing Fear/Harm/Intimidation/Danger	11
Attach Object To Lamp-pole Without Permission	5
Burning Of Material For Recovery Of Metal	8
Cause Physical Contact With Person Without Persons Permission	4
Causing a Disturbance	0
Child Under 16 Driving Animal Drawn Vehicle	0
Constitute Danger	1
Continue To Beg After Receiving A Negative Response	4
Cut/Remove Tree in Public Place Without Permission	0
Damage to Council Property	4
Damaged Headlight	0
Defective Brake / Parking Light	0
Deposit/Leave Goods In A Public Place For An Unreasonable Period	10
Disobeying Lawful Instruction From A Peace Officer	205
Driving Without Licence	135
Dumping / Building Material In Public	19
Employ / Permit Unlicensed Driver	1
Failed To Comply To A Lawful Instruction	6
Failed To Display Licence Disc	194
Failed To Obey Lawful Instruction	1
Fire In A Public Place	71

Fireworks - Children Under Age Without Supervision	0
Fireworks - Selling Without Licence	7
Fireworks - Use Of In A Public Space	9
Fireworks - Use Of Without A Licence	5
Graffiti	1
Goods Left In A Public Place	4
Hawking-Cause a Traffic Hazard	34
Hawking-Cause Nuisance	21
Hawking-Contrary To Any Restriction	3
Hawking-Failure To Move	12
Hawking-Obstructing a Sidewalk	11
Hawking-Threatens / Interferes With Officers Duties	1
Hawking-Unallocated Area	17
Hawking-Unsanitary Bags	4
Hawking-Without A Licence	46
Hindering and Interfering With Officers Duties	1
Introduce Alcohol In Area Where Prohibited	0
Learner Not Accompanied	2
Leave Or Accumulate Dangerous Objects In Public	16
Leave Wrecked Motor Vehicle In A Public Place	1
Littering	12
Load Not Safely Contained	0
Make/Cause Excavation in Public Road	0
Make/Dig Excavation Without Written Authorisation	1
Misuse/Remove Any Water Source In A Public Place	7
No Indicator	0
No Operating Permit	1
No Roadworthy Certificate	1
No SABS Stamp on Number Plate	1
Not Wearing a Seatbelt	1
Obscured / No Number Plate	20
Obstruct An Officer In Execution Of His Duty	0
Obstructive Parking / Dangerous Parking	268
Obscured Headlamp	0
Park A Vehicle Overnight In A Public Place	13
Parking A Taxi At A No Stop Place	2
Parking More Than 450mm From Kerb	5
Parking On A Bus Stop	2
Parking on a Fire Zone	10
Parking On A Red Line	175
Parking On A Sidewalk	73
Parking On A Traffic Island	7
Parking On A Yellow Line	49
Parking On Wrong Side	4
Parking Within 5m Of Intersection	2
Perform A Sexual Act In A Public Place	14
Persistent Loud Noise In A Public Place	3
Pick Up/Drop Off Passengers In A Public Place	3
Prohibited Parking	1
Public Indecency	1
Remove Soil In A Public Place	1
Repair Motor Vehicle on Public Road, Except for Removing Purposes	1
Riotous Behaviour	19
Selling Of Alcohol	0

Spitting In A Public Place	0
Stop At No Demarcated Parking Place	1
Tyre-Tread less than 1mm	1
Tyre-Worn	8
Under Influence Of Drugs / Liquor In A Public Place	20
Unlicensed Driver	202
Unlicensed Vehicle	259
Unregistered Vehicle	3
Unroadworthy Vehicle	12
Urinating In Public	122
Use Of Abusive Language	26
Use Of Alcohol In Public Place	100
Use Of Drugs In Public Place	64
Use of Suspended Rank Token	1
Utilise Land For Purpose Other Than That Intended (Illegal Shebeen)	1
Vehicle With Engine Running Left Unattended	0
Wash/Clean/Dry Clothing In Public	0
Wash/Clean/ motor vehicle In Public Place	8
Windscreen Not Clear	9

### **CAMERAS**

With the installation of the third phase of cameras, we effectively moved towards a more readily proactive force.

The installation of phases one and two's cameras posed many questions as to their effectiveness; however each additional phase has definitely put a lot of minds at ease producing positive results. The successes through the initial two year period, has been astounding boasting a vast array of arrests and interventions.

We have made several arrests ranging from drugs to attempted motor vehicle theft.

### **Stats supplied by Myertal**

Arrests	<b>85</b>
<b>Interventions</b>	
Fines	175
Suspicious Activity	125
Damage to Council Property	30
Medical assistance	25
<b>Total Interventions</b>	<b>355</b>

# CAMERA LOCATIONS



## **IN MEMORY**

We were however less fortunate this year in having lost a highly respected member of the community and supporter of the ECID, Mr Kaskar of Giant Hyper to an armed robbery.

Since the incident, the ECID have liaised with the Companies management to ensure the safety of their staff and patrons. The end result is that there is now a secured cash transfer area for the business, which ensures a safer alternative for all.

## **PROJECTS COMPLETED FOR 2011/2012**

1. Fence on Grenville Siding
2. 4 Additional Cameras

## **PROJECTS FINALISED & TO BE COMPLETED FOR 2011/2012**

1. 2 Gates in Gerry Ferry Crescent
2. Fence in Kinghall Avenue

## **FUTURE PROJECTS FOR 2012/2013**

1. Repainting Road Markings
2. Install New Gates / Fences As Required
3. Install Lighting
4. Install 4 Additional Cameras
5. The Traffic Island At The Bottom Of Christian Avenue Has Been Identified As A Joint Venture Project
6. Sign Boards

## **MARKETING & COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERS**

Lizette Johnstone carried out 790 company visits, sent out 39 bulk emails to over 1000 people on the database, placed 15 articles on the website and attended 23 meetings.

Compiled brochures, posters, emergency procedure booklet and 2013 calendars for distribution to companies.

Assisted with 6 siding leasing's and signed up 8 new ECID members, bringing the total number of members to 276.

## **SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

The ECID collects recyclable materials which are then sold and the money donated to the Cart Horse Protection Association and the Animal Anti Cruelty League, a total of R 886.00 was donated to each organisation.

The ECID also assists the CHPA by identifying overloaded horse carts, incorrect harnessing and lack of horse shoes and reporting this to their inspectors and assists the AACL by taking in stray or injured animals where possible or reporting such cases to their inspectors. Both these organisations are based in Epping 2.

The ECID, in conjunction with Premier Foods, Giant Sweets, Bokomo Oats and Capepots/ Propots do a monthly distribution of food packages to the SOS Children's Village in Langa and the Church of the Nazarene in Bonteheuwel who have a soup kitchen and distribution scheme.

The following food items were handed out during the past year;

<b>Premier Foods</b>	800kg Mealie Meal
<b>Bokomo Oats</b>	350 kg Oats
<b>Giant Hyper</b>	10 x 750g Coffee
	3000 Tea Bags
	18 x 1kg Peanut Butter
	16 x 1kg Jam
	192 Cans Of Baked Beans
	48 Cans Of Peas
	144 Cans Of Mixed Vegetables
	192 Cans Of Pilchards
	30kg Rice
	16 Packets Of Dry Soup Mix
	16 Packets Of Lentils
<b>Capepots/Propots</b>	176 Pockets Of Potatoes
	14 Pockets Of Sweet Potatoes
	22 Pockets Of Butternut
	126 Pockets Of Onions
	22 Boxes Of Tomatoes
	68 Pockets Of Squash
	13 Peppers

The ECID thank Premier Foods, Giant Hyper, Bokomo Oats and Capepots/Propots for continued support of those less fortunate.



**SOS LANGA**



**CHURCH OF  
THE NAZARENE-BONTEHEUWEL**



### **GARDEN COMPETITION**

Congratulations to Fine Chemicals Corporation, the winner of the garden competition for 2011.

FCC received a R 500.00 Stodels gift voucher and the floating trophy for 2011 in recognition of maintaining a flourishing garden.

