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Ref nr: 17/5/3

Office of the Director Protection Services  
Department: Traffic & Law Enforcement

15 November 2023

Me Jennifer Kamerman  
Riebeek Valley Ratepayers Association  
RIEBEEK WEST

Dear Madam/Sir

### **RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION- WARD 3: TRAFFIC AND ROADS PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Your e-mail dated 8 November 2023 refers.

Swartland Municipality received a mail from the Riebeek-Valley Ratepayers Association w.r.t various traffic and roads issues. We would like to respond as follow:

- 1) The Swartland Traffic and Law Enforcement Services had various meetings with the Provincial Roads Engineer with concerns about heavy vehicles in the Valley.
- 2) We have highlighted that heavy motor vehicles driving on the Hermon road on a daily basis taking the wrong turn off into Riebeek Kasteel and Riebeek-West as the GPS system direct them through that roads. This caused them to get stuck as the roads are not designed for heavy vehicles.  
  
Furthermore they automatically disregarding the tonnage restriction road signs and damage road infrastructure. Overnight parking is also another issue.
- 3) The Provincial Roads Engineer at the time advised that they will conduct an audit on all road signs within the Valley and feedback will be submitted, but to date we did not receive any feedback. Many of these roads are Provincial Roads and Swartland Municipality do not have jurisdiction over these roads.
- 4) Swartland Traffic & Law Enforcement Services do not have full time officers in the Riebeek Valley. Traffic and Law Enforcement officials from Malmesbury and Moorreesburg do patrols on a regular basis. This can only change if more funding from the municipal budget is allocated to the Department to employ officers specifically for Riebeek Valley.
- 5) Our patrols and operations include all these non-compliance aspects as mentioned in the mail and we try our outmost best to curb this but many of these activities happened outside normal working hours (During the week we work until 22h00 and week-ends to 00h00).
- 6) We take cognizance of the drag racing complaint which we acknowledge is a problem not only in the Valley, but right through the Swartland. We commit to address this problem.

- 7) We will engage other Law Enforcement agencies to try as best we can to address this traffic and law enforcement violations with the challenge to ensure the sustainability of the interventions. The SAPS National Office issued an instruction that police officers (when on duty) must attend to all noise complaints. In future when noise nuisance occurs in your area you can directly contact the SAPS to respond.
- 8) During the coming Festive season we will increase our operations to address the issues and not only drag racing but other lawlessness as-well.
- 9) Mrs Kamerman if you have any further enquiries please contact me during office or after hours.

**For any further enquiries contact our traffic/ law enforcement department at telephone number 022 487 9400 (after hours) and 022 487 9411 during office hours.**



**SENIOR MANAGER: TRAFFIC/LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS**