

Dear Oakwood Owners/Residents

We wanted to take a moment to extend a heartfelt thank you to every one of you for your unwavering dedication to maintaining the beauty of our community. Your commitment to nurturing your gardens and preserving the charm of our neighbourhood is truly commendable, and it's what makes Oakwood such a special place to call home.

As a community, let's not only celebrate our collective efforts in keeping our properties looking their best but also remember the importance of respecting each other's spaces. While we cherish the individuality of our gardens and verges, let's also be mindful of our neighbours' boundaries and maintain a sense of harmony throughout our community.

Vandalism, in any form, poses a significant threat to the cohesion and well-being of communities. Deliberate acts such as the destruction of gardens not only violate personal property rights but also undermine the sense of security and pride within neighbourhoods. Community members must unite in condemning such behavior and actively identify individuals involved in vandalism.

Additionally, pet owners play a crucial role in upholding community standards by ensuring their animals do not cause harm to others' property, including refraining from allowing them to urinate on plants and cleaning up after them when taken for a walk. Upholding these values not only preserves the beauty and tranquility of communal spaces but also fosters a sense of mutual respect and cooperation among residents.

By regularly tending to our gardens and properties with care and consideration, we can ensure that Oakwood remains a thriving and vibrant place for all to enjoy.

### **Community Updates**

Here are some highlights and important updates from the past few months:

## Completion of Cordier Road Walkway Extension

We are thrilled to announce the completion of the Cordier Road Walkway extension, which now extends all the way to Pinehurst Drive. This addition enhances pedestrian safety and connectivity within our community, providing a convenient route for residents to enjoy walks and bike rides.

#### Parks Maintenance

In response to concerns about dead grass patches in some of our parks, we have replaced sprayer heads to improve irrigation efficiency. This proactive measure ensures that our parks remain vibrant and enjoyable spaces for everyone to appreciate.

### Painting of Boundary and Entrance Walls

Our community's boundary and entrance walls have received a fresh coat of paint, enhancing the aesthetic appeal of Oakwood Village. We believe this upkeep contributes to the overall pride and beauty of our neighbourhood.

# Updated Rules Uploaded to Website

The latest version of Oakwood Village's rules has been uploaded to our <u>website</u>. These updates include changes that were previously communicated to residents. Please take some time to review them at your convenience.

### Levy Increase Effective May 1st

We wish to remind residents that there will be an increase in levies starting May 1st. The new levy amount will be R495. As approved at the previous **AGM**.

## Successful Garage Sale Turnout

Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent garage sale. It was a successful event, and we appreciate your contributions and attendance. Your support helps foster a sense of community and sustainability within Oakwood Village.

### Community Feedback Welcome

We value your input and encourage residents to share any suggestions or concerns with us. Your feedback helps us better serve the needs and interests of our community. Please don't hesitate to reach out with your ideas and thoughts.

# **Upcoming Projects**

# • Guardhouse Lighting Upgrade

Both guardhouses will receive new exterior lights as the current ones have aged. This improvement enhances security and visibility, ensuring the safety of our residents.

# • Briet Park Upgrade

The upgrade of Briet Park will commence in May to allow the new vegetation to settle and establish during the winter months. This project aims to enhance the park's amenities and recreational facilities for the enjoyment of all residents.

#### · Enhancements to our Other Parks

In the upcoming months, we are focusing on improving some of our other parks by introducing compost and new plants. This initiative will involve the selective removal of certain olive trees and vegetation in designated areas to make room for new additions and enhancements.

# Community Gardens Project - 1 June 2024

Please diarise the date, more details to follow.

We appreciate your continued support and involvement in making Oakwood Village a wonderful place to call home. If you have any questions or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact us. - Oakwood@inpg.co.za

Kindest regards
Oakwood HOA Committee - Management



