



- With gun violence prevailing in communities like Atlantis, Gun Free South Africa (GFSA) is actively helping to reduce gun violence and building safer communities. In recent months, these capable, local volunteers held a toy gun campaign for ECD centres, teaching the young learners the dangers of toy guns, while introducing alternative ways in a fun, creative manner. Together with Avondale Primary's 2025 prefects, GFSA also initiated a programme focused on youth activism and leadership to empower learners to stand against injustice.

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Calls for accountability as Atlantis factory fumes investigation continues

PETER LATEGAN

For many weeks now, residents in parts of Atlantis have been raising concerns about deteriorating air quality, describing persistent, heavy fumes that are affecting daily life and making breathing difficult.

Glen Ortell, who lives in Avondale, said that on Saturday, 11 April 2026, his home was filled with these fumes, describing the odour as 'thick and heavy, like rubber that is burning'. "It makes breathing very difficult. It not only burns your eyes but also your throat." While no residents have formally reported seeking medical attention, multiple complaints suggest a growing health concern, particularly for those exposed over extended periods. Ortell believes the source of the emissions is the GET Energy Plant located in the Atlantis Industrial Area along John van Niekerk Street.

"People working in the general vicinity, including those at Storage Guys next to the plant, experience this daily. Personnel at Tomeez Hire across the road also report similar conditions, as do employees at Phoenix Marine," said Ortell. He said City of Cape Town officials have been made aware of the issue. A senior air quality practitioner, visited his home in early February 2026, where she reportedly witnessed the fumes firsthand. Despite this, residents remain frustrated, saying there has been little visible improvement. Ortell said he has engaged with several City officials, including Ian Gildenhuys, the City's Head of Specialised Environmental Health for Air Quality. However, he said this has not led to any resolution.

While officials from the local fire department also responded to complaints at his home in Bonaventura Street in Avondale, and confirmed the presence of the smell, enforcement action remains unclear. "Not that I am aware of," Ortell said when asked whether any formal enforcement steps had been taken. He said local councillor Allister Lightburn has been copied on correspondence and has repeatedly called on City officials to take the necessary action. Responding to a media query by Impact News, the City of Cape Town has confirmed that it has received complaints relating to odours and associated symptoms in Atlantis. The City said that on Sunday evening, 1 March 2026, odour complaints described as 'gas-like' were reported to the Public Emergency Communication

Centre (PECC). A crew from the Atlantis Fire Station was dispatched to Avondale, where they confirmed the presence of a gas-like smell, but were unable to identify the source at the time, despite driving through the area. An investigation in the Atlantis industrial area on the same evening did not detect any odour. The following day, 2 March 2026, the complaint was escalated to the City's Air Quality Management office. However, by then, the odour had dissipated and was no longer being experienced by those who had reported it.

However, residents insist on more decisive intervention. "We want the City to do its job — investigate and take the necessary action to ensure that air emissions are within lawful requirements, safe, and not intrusive to the public," said Ortell. He said the matter may also be heading toward legal escalation, with two legal professionals who is willing to assist the community if need be. When asked what specific actions have been taken to date and what the outcomes of those interventions were, a City spokesperson said that, following receipt of visible emission and odour complaints, unannounced visits to the GET Energy Plant and formal compliance inspections were conducted by the City's Environmental Management inspectors in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998. This was done to assess the facility's compliance with its Provisional Atmospheric Emissions Licence.

The City spokesperson confirmed that a number of non-compliances were identified at the facility, and that a formal pre-compliance notice has been issued to the company directors. "They now have until 6 May 2026 to submit representations in response to the pre-compliance notice. Should no representations be received, a formal compliance notice will be issued," said the spokesperson.

****Residents affected by odours are encouraged to report any such incidents to the City of Cape Town Air Quality Management office by either sending an email to airquality.support@capetown.gov.za or by calling the office at 021 444 2914 and providing a description of the odour, date, time, and weather conditions when the odour was experienced.*

Minderjarige betrap met onwettige vuurwapen



Lede van die misdaad-voorkomingseenheid in Atlantis SAPD het op Sondag, 5 April 2026 omstreeks 22:00, tydens patrollies in Bunting Crescent, Atlantis, 'n verdagte met 'n vuurwapen opgemerk.

Die 15-jarige verdagte is aangekeer en in hegtenis geneem vir die besit van 'n onwettige vuurwapen. Volgens die plaaslike stasie-bevelvoerder, Kolonel Mario Thyse, word minderjariges toenemend gebruik vir dwelmverspreiding, diefstal, as draers van

onwettige vuurwapens en ander gewelddadige misdade, wat dikwels tot ernstige langtermyn trauma lei. Kinders word geteiken weens hul kwesbaarheid en die laer risiko dat hulle opgespoor word. Van links na regs is Sersant Charlene Mollet, Konstabel Marno Geduld, Konstabel Maralize Solomons, Konstabel Sanelisiwe Madabalala, Konstabel Someleze Dyantyi, Konstabel Thorne Vigeland, Sersant Garth April, Sersant Nolukhanyo Bakeni)

Atlantis-polisie soek hulp met drie onopgeloste moordsake

Speurders in Atlantis doen 'n beroep op die gemeenskap om na vore te kom met enige inligting wat kan help om drie moordsake, op te los.

Speurder Jacques Louw, verbonde aan die Atlantis SAPD se speurtak, het inwoners aangemoedig om enige wenke te deel wat kan help om die oortreders aan die pen te laat ry. Die eerste voorval dateer terug na 2 Oktober 2023 omstreeks 07:20 by die Covid-informele nedersetting in Witsand. Die slagoffer, Sonwabile Mkaleli, is noodlottig gestee. Die motief vir die aanval is onbekend en word steeds ondersoek. In 'n afsonderlike saak het 'n skietvoorval op 8 September 2024

omstreeks 21:00 in die omgewing van Castallisstraat, Proteapark, plaasgevind. Die slagoffer, Chesray Davids, het skietwonde opgedoen en later aan sy beserings beswyk. Nog 'n moord het op 24 Maart 2024 omstreeks 04:10 in Chris Hanistraat, Witsand, plaasgevind. Die slagoffer, Ricardo Cloete, is dood onder omstandighede wat steeds ondersoek word, met geen bevestigde motief op hierdie stadium nie.

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Pay up or else: Witsand community living in fear over protection money

PETER LATEGAN

A wave of extortion targeting businesses in Witsand, has sparked fear among residents and business owners, with growing calls for urgent action from the police.

The South African National Civic Organisation (SANCO) in Witsand has expressed serious concern over incidents in which criminal groups are allegedly demanding so-called "protection fees" from businesses. According to the organisation, the situation has created a climate of fear, with small businesses and community leaders reporting intimidation. The Atlantis police confirmed a case of extortion was opened earlier this month, after a complainant found a letter in his letter box, demanding a bribe or face the consequences. and opened an extortion case 218/04/2026.

"As a community, we are living in fear. Our business owners are being intimidated, and as community leaders, our own lives are also placed in danger when such criminal activities escalate," the organisation said in a statement. SANCO has urged affected businesses to formally report cases to SAPS, stressing that proper investigations depend on official complaints. The organisation also acknowledged that the scale of the problem is beyond the capacity of community structures alone and



- Two of dozens of spaza shops in Witsand, where business owners are facing ongoing extortion threats and growing fears for their safety.

requires decisive law enforcement action. Babalo Mbulwana, SANCO's chairperson in Witsand, said the issue affects both local and foreign-owned businesses. He confirmed that multiple complaints have been consolidated into a single case, reflecting the coordinated nature of the alleged extortion. "The perpetrators issued written letters to various small businesses, including spaza shops, salons, barbershops, fruit stalls and informal traders, demanding payment of a 'protection fee' within a set deadline," said Mbulwana. He added that the situation escalated violently earlier this month.

"On the 7th of April, two Somali nationals were shot in front of their shop, one fatal. It is believed this attack is linked to non-compliance with those extortion demands," he said. But this seems not to be the case. "The two shop owners that were shot at is an unrelated incident, and the motive is believe to be a robbery, said Captain Lisa Munro, spokesperson for the Atlantis police. SANCO is calling for urgent and visible intervention from SAPS, including intensified investigations and the arrest of those responsible.

"We want to see swift and decisive intervention. The community cannot continue to live in fear while criminals operate with impunity," Mbulwana added.

The organisation said in the past there were also efforts by the community to address the issue. In 2024, residents submitted a petition to the Atlantis Police, which led to around 25 extortion-related cases and arrests. However, suspects were later released on bail, and intimidation has since resumed. Similar patterns have been reported elsewhere in South Africa, where small businesses, particularly in

township areas, are increasingly targeted by organised groups demanding protection fees, often accompanied by threats of violence or closure. SANCO warned that frustration within the community is growing, but emphasised that any response must remain within the law and in coordination with authorities to avoid further harm.

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Expo highlights growing safety fears in Atlantis

MONIQUE HANSEN

"We do not feel safe when walking through Atlantis. We need more visible policing everywhere in the community."

"I am in constant fear walking through the community."

"As a mother, I have a fear that my son will see gangsterism as his only choice, being exposed to gangsterism and having no other opportunities out there."

These are just some of the concerns from the community of Atlantis. On 31 March 2026, a safety expo was held by the Atlantis Community of Practice (COP) in partnership with Wesfleur Library in Atlantis. Here, the public learnt about safety services available in the area. It was



also an opportunity to raise concerns about what is happening in the community and what needs to be done to make sure that people get the answers they need and deserve. The expo aimed to amplify youth voices and gather valuable community insights that will contribute towards ongoing safety planning and collective action within Atlantis.

Among the planning team were organisations such as Gun Free South Africa (GFSA), the Basic Package of Support for Youth (BPS), Gender-based Violence Ambassadors, the Violence Prevention Unit of the Department of Health and Wellness, and the Mayoral Urban Regeneration Programme (MURP). The expo attracted exhibitors like the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA), the Western Cape Mobility Department,

Atlantis Community Policing Forum (CPF), Planet Youth, Chrysalis Academy, the South African Police Service (SAPS), United Sanctuary Against Abuse, and many others who are dedicated to developing programmes and initiatives aimed at creating a safer Atlantis. Other safety concerns raised by young people included gangsterism, which leaves many living in constant anxiety and fear. Another concern is the abuse of substances by children as young as eight years old.

Michelle Fortuin, one of the organisers, said that this expo was different from the previous ones they had hosted. The sun was shining, and the youth showcased their talents, but there was an undertone of seriousness in the atmosphere. "There was a cry for real intervention and restoration of



hope. This beautiful community of Atlantis has had enough with the conditions they have been living in for so long," she said. Fortuin added that many asked whether this initiative will even make a difference. "The COP remains determined to continue the initiative, but it cannot be done without the help of the wider community supporting projects and speaking out against issues that are breaking down the community. Fortuin appealed: Let us see this process through to completion. This generation needs us more than we know," said Fortuin.

Reusable sanitary pad project aims to empower young and old



The Rotary Club of Atlantis, in collaboration with Atlantis Creative Hub, recently hosted a two-day workshop aimed at empowering local women with the skills to make reusable sanitary pads.

The training was facilitated by a married couple who work closely with the Brighton & Hove Soiree Rotary Club in the United Kingdom. The workshop attracted a strong turnout and was met

with great enthusiasm from participants, who were eager to learn a practical skill that addresses a real need in the community. Through hands-on guidance, the women were equipped to produce reusable sanitary pads, offering a sustainable, environmentally friendly, and cost-effective solution for those who struggle to afford disposable products. "This initiative is about restoring dignity and creating opportunities for women. Beyond meeting a basic



need, the initiative also opens the door for entrepreneurship. Participants can use this skill to start a small business, creating an income while making a positive impact in their communities," said Rene Haruna, a member of Rotary Club Atlantis, who is actively involved in driving the project.

Masels-gevalle neem toe in die Weskaap

Gevalle van masels neem tans toe in die Wes-Kaap, wat kommer wek dat gemeenskappe soos Atlantis ook 'n verhoogde risiko kan ervaar namate die virus verder versprei.

Gesondheidsowerhede het bevestig dat die provinsie tans onder die gebiede tel wat die swaarste getref word, met voortgesette oordrag wat grootliks gekoppel word aan dalende inentingsvlakke. Hoewel 'n amptelike uitbreking nog nie verklaar is nie, is verskeie gevalle reeds in dele van die Kaapstad-metro aangemeld, veral in skole en digbevolkte gemeenskappe. Hoewel Atlantis nog nie as 'n spesifieke brandpunt geïdentifiseer is nie, beteken die nabyheid aan geaffekteerde gebiede en soortgelyke omstandighede dat inwoners waaksaam moet bly. Masels versprei maklik, veral onder kinders wat nie ingeënt is nie, maar volwassenes kan ook geraak word.

Ouers en versorgers word aangemoedig om seker te maak dat kinders albei masels-inentings ontvang het. Let op simptome soos koors, 'n rooi uitslag, loopneus en rooi oë. Inwoners word aangeraai om vroegtydig mediese hulp te soek en siek kinders tuis te hou om verdere verspreiding te voorkom.



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Born-To-Shine celebrates disabled community

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As part of Atlantis' 50th birthday celebration, a local disability support group called Born-To-Shine (BTS), hosted an open day at the Wesfleur Swimming Pool early this month.

The open day gave community members an opportunity to spend the day with participants and to see what the organisation is all about. Attendees got to enjoy a day of live music, dance performances and good food, while gaining some valuable insight into the programme.

The programme was launched in February this year, and focuses on providing practical support services to people living with disabilities. It is open to all people with disabilities and currently has 15 participants, most of whom are wheelchair-bound. BTS started out as a church youth organisation 22 years ago, but morphed into a disability support programme early this year after BTS CEO, Ashley Scott, recognised a need for such a programme in Atlantis. "There are schools in Atlantis that support people with disabilities such as Orion and Robinhill, but the people that finish at these institutions need something to keep themselves busy. That's

when we got together and decided to start the disability programme," says Scott. One of the programme's participants, Cameron Jennicker, who is also wheelchair-bound, has experienced improvement in his mobility since joining the programme. "At first, I couldn't move my legs. Now, the water exercises gave me some strength to be able to move my legs," explained Jennicker. Participants meet five days a week engaging in activities such as beading, painting, weaving, drawing and more.

Besides arts and crafts, they also regularly participate in water-based activities at the local swimming pool. The programme also provides assistance with medical needs such as collecting participants' medication, blood testing and wheelchair repair servicing.

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existing debt or credit profiles often prevent them from qualifying for mortgage finance. This gap in the market has led to the development of a new housing programme designed to create a practical and structured pathway to responsible and sustainable homeownership.

The programme combines three key elements:

- Instalment Sale Agreements
- The government's First Home Finance subsidy
- An accelerated financial readiness programme

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A practical pathway to affordable ownership

The programme builds on the Rent-to-Own model developed by MDW INC Attorneys since 2007 and has been expanded in partnership with My Budget Fitness.

Instalment Sale Agreement explained
Using an Instalment Sale Agreement, buyers can move into a home and pay towards ownership over time. Before entering the programme, applicants are assessed to determine:

- eligibility for the First Home Finance subsidy
- household income and expenses
- their credit profile
- their ability to sustain monthly housing payments

Once approved, a suitable property is identified and an Instalment Sale Agreement is signed and recorded at the Deeds Office. After registration, the First Home Finance subsidy is paid upfront to the seller (landlord), reducing the overall purchase price of the property and improving affordability for the tenant-buyer.

The monthly rent is then reduced in proportion to the subsidy that has been applied. The National Housing Finance Corporation, which facilitates the approval and payment of these subsidies, has confirmed that approved subsidies are paid out upon registration of the instalment sale contract against the property's title deed at the Deeds Office.



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SRD grant to become jobseeker support, says Ramaphosa

Government has confirmed plans to redesign the Social Relief of Distress (SRD) grant, signalling a major shift in how support is provided to millions of unemployed South Africans.

Speaking during the State of the Nation Address this year, President Cyril Ramaphosa said the grant will be restructured to better link recipients with economic opportunities. "As the economy recovers, we will redesign this grant to better support livelihoods, skills development, work opportunities and participation in the economy," said Ramaphosa. The SRD grant, currently set at R370 per month, has become a critical lifeline for millions of unemployed people. However, government now aims to move beyond short-term relief by connecting beneficiaries to job-seeking support, training programmes and income-generating opportunities.

While the announcement has raised concerns about possible changes to eligibility, government has emphasised that the grant is not being scrapped. It has already been extended until March 2027, allowing

time for a phased transition to the new model. The planned overhaul forms part of a broader policy direction towards a system of Basic Income Support, aimed at assisting unemployed individuals while encouraging participation in the economy.

Critics argue that the current grant amount remains too low to meet basic needs and warn that stricter conditions could exclude vulnerable people. Others have questioned whether linking the grant to employment is realistic in an economy where jobs remain scarce. Despite these concerns, government maintains that the redesign is necessary to ensure long-term sustainability and to help recipients move towards economic independence. Further details on how the new jobseeker-focused system will work will be made available as consultations between government departments continue.

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Celebrating their academic achievements, Impact News reporter, **MONIQUE HANSEN** spoke to several local men and women soon after they've graduated from their respective learning institutions.

Jodi-Ann Philander: I graduated with a Magna Cum Laude at NQF Level 4. I am currently busy with my Level 5, and thereafter I plan to pursue a degree in education. I hope to start my own preschool in the future once I have completed all my studies.

Sergio Arends: I graduated with the Sports Management Diploma, National Qualifications Framework (NQF) Level 6, from NewBridge Graduate Institute. I also have a Non-Profit Company that helps the community with sports development, such as rugby and netball, and I hope to take that further and broaden my reach.

Anneke van Wyk: I graduated with an Early Childhood Development (ECD) NQF Level 4. With my qualification, I plan to work in a preschool or early learning centre where I can contribute meaningfully to the growth and development of young children during their most formative years. In the long term, I aspire to further my studies and eventually establish my own early learning centre.

Andrea Brown: I also graduated with an NQF level 4 in Early Childhood Development, and busy with my level 5, which means I am one step closer to getting my Bachelor of Education Degree in Early Childhood Education. I have a passion for teaching, and it would be a great honour to be a Grade R teacher, helping to lay the foundation for a child's future.

Zoé Julies: I graduated with a Diploma in Sports Management. I want to manage operations for a team like a rugby union side in South Africa, handling everything from player contracts and team logistics to fan engagement and sponsorship deals. Supporting athletes to navigate the global sports industry, would be incredibly rewarding.

Mekyle Facolyn: I hold a Bachelor of Commerce in Marketing from Newbridge Graduate Institute. My qualification has equipped me with strategic, creative, and client-focused skills. I hope to use my qualification to advocate for pathways, like internships, workshops, and mentorship programs, that allow graduates to prove themselves, learn on the job, and grow into impactful professionals.



Volunteer work often opens doors, says Shir-nay



COURTNEY ARENDE

- Shir-nay (left) in a workshop with a learner, transferring valuable community-building skills

Volunteering is often seen as something people do to help others, but many do not realise how much it can transform the life of the person who volunteers.

It holds many benefits, but because the payout is not instant, it is often disregarded. However, this could be a side hustle in the form of a ladder to the top. For 20-year-old Shir-nay May, volunteering opened doors she never imagined and eventually led her to working for Gun Free South Africa as the Western Cape Programme Officer, an organisation dedicated to reducing gun violence in communities.

Her journey into community work began at just 13 years old when she started participating in programmes with Molo Songololo, an organisation focused on children's rights. It was here that she first began learning about advocacy and the importance of young voices in social change. Through this work, she met her mentors Meagan Lubbe and Monique Hansen, who introduced her to an exciting new opportunity at the local radio station in Atlantis. Here she had the opportunity to speak openly about important issues affecting young people, including mental health and gender-based violence. It was here that she discovered her passion for speaking up and using her voice to create awareness. Around the same time, she also began

volunteering with Gun Free South Africa. This experience deepened her passion for justice and community safety. For Shir-nay, volunteering was never just about giving time, it was about learning, growing, and understanding the realities that many communities face. "It helped me find my passion and grow as a person. I learned to take every opportunity, no matter how big or small, with my family's encouragement. It also made me realise that if I want to complain about problems in my community, I must also be part of the solution," she said.

*** For those inspired to start volunteering, there are several organisations and spaces in Atlantis where one can get involved. IkamvaYouth in Atlantis offers tutoring and mentorship programmes for high school learners, as do local schools, Rise Sports and Development in Mamre, Survivors Haven in Mamre, and even Gun Free South Africa. These organisations are among many that provide opportunities for people to give back while also developing their own skills and networks.

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BENJAMIN SMITH

The Jack Johnson Legacy rugby tournament took place during the past Easter weekend at the Mamre Sportsground. This annual tournament, now in its second year, brought together eight teams, including four high schools from Mamre, Atlantis, Malmesbury and Riverlands, to battle it out for the coveted trophy.

The teams were divided into two categories. Four senior teams competed in the seniors category, while the schools competed in the Under-19 category. Saturday's matches kicked off with a hard-fought battle between Saxonsea Secondary and Proteus THS, with Proteus winning 22-15, while Schoonspruit Secondary secured their place in the final with a comfortable 49-5 win over Robinvale High. In the seniors category, the visiting teams of Never Despair RFC and Young Eagles RFC battled it out, with Never Despair emerging victorious 36-8.

The first day of the tournament ended with a historic moment for the town as the two local rivals, Hamlets RFC and Mamre RFC, fought for a place in the final. This was the first time that the two rugby giants met competitively in a 15-a-side match. With bragging rights on the line, Hamlets narrowly defeated Mamre RFC 28-25. As the final whistle blew, spectators rushed onto the field to celebrate this historic win with the players. Day two kicked off with a third-place play-off between Saxonsea High and Robinvale High. Saxonsea took third place with an impressive turnaround after being behind 17-7 at halftime. The final score was 33-17. Schoonspruit Secondary dominated the final with a massive score of 53-0 against Proteus THS. "It is an honour and a privilege to have won today. We



didn't know what to expect. This is our first year participating in the tournament. Proteus fought hard and I am very proud of our boys; they really showed up today," said coach Neathan Isaacs. Schoonspruit Secondary's flyhalf Aiden Alexander was named Man of the Match in the final.

Mamre RC won third place in the seniors category with a 57-36 win over Young Eagles RFC. Despite being ahead at halftime with a score of 11-5, Never Despair RFC could not hold on to their lead against Hamlets RFC. The tournament finished with Hamlets as champions, with the final score being 33-11. "The team performed well. We were well prepared. This tournament is a big achievement. We will build on this and our success won't end here," said coach, Eddie Oliphant. Hamlets' Jordan Abels won Man of the Match. This year's tournament was a massive success, and organisers plan to extend next year's tournament to allow more teams to compete.



- Main photo is the Hamlets Seniors champions, followed by Mamre RFC versus Young Eagles. Above is Hamlets RFC versus Mamre.

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