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ATTENTION MR Marcel Minne

Dear Sir,

SECOND DRAFT BITOU MUNICIPAL SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (SDF)

We refer to the above second draft revised Bitou SDF published for comment in terms of Section 20 of SPLUMA (Act 16 of 2013) and Section 29 of the Local Government MSA (Act 32 of 2000).

1. After studying the abovementioned document, the NVRA has compiled the attached document in which serious concerns about and motivated objections to the intention of the municipality to utilise existing public spaces as strategic development areas are set out for urgent consideration.
2. The Nature's Valley Ratepayers Association (NVRA) are mandated by the ratepayer body to protect and maintain the environmental integrity of the public open spaces situated within the residential area for the benefit and enjoyment of all.
3. It should also be noted that the NVRA as representative of the ratepayer body has played a leading role in protecting the ecologically sensitive environment of which Nature's Valley forms part, e.g. expropriation of 20 erven on the sensitive island in the Groot River and establishment of the protected Contractual National Parks area surrounding the township.
4. As this submission is of great importance to the Nature's Valley Community, it is necessary that they be informed of any outcome regarding this contentious issue.

Yours faithfully,

DAVID OWEN
Chairman

Attachments: 1. NVRA Comments and Objections (8 pages)
2. Bitou Municipality Land Use Report, dated Nov 2007
3. Minutes of Mayco Meeting, 4 Dec 2007
4. Mayco "Resolution" undated