



\$\$ URGENT CLARION CALL FOR FUNDING \$\$

TO ALL MEMBERS OF ESTUARY CARE, KENTON RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION, BUSHMAN'S RIVER MOUTH RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION, CHAMBER OF BUSINESS, NATURE'S LANDING, MERRYHILL PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION and all other interested parties regarding:

THE KENTON SAND DUNE AND THE LONG-TERM HEALTH OF THE BUSHMANS RIVER ESTUARY

- All six community organizations have aligned themselves to oppose the ambitions of the Kenton Sand Dune and Nature Association (KSDNA) represented by a handful of individuals who, in response to the Ndlambe Municipality's Sand and Infrastructure Maintenance Management Plan, are insistent on sponsoring and implementing a highly controversial project which completely disregards the ancient sand by-pass system through Dry Bones Valley and the grave and ongoing concerns of many local residents. The KSDNA has refused to consider any alternative solutions to this complicated problem and are determined to:
 - Bulldoze the sand dune perilously close to the Bushman's Estuary, against the prevailing westerly wind
 - Erect obstructive fencing across the re-modelled dune
 - Plant vegetation on the dune
 - Use precious water to irrigate the vegetation
 - Use dump trucks to transport the accumulating sand, estimated to be up to 6000 cubic meters per annum, from the Estuary side of the dune along a woodchip road running to the end of Westbourne Road
 - Transport stock-piled sand from the dumping point at the end of Westbourne Road using trucks, via the fragile road network through Kenton and deposit this on Middle Beach
 - Burden the Ndlambe Municipality and the Ratepayers with the cost, administration, and ongoing maintenance of this system for years to come
 - Expose the Estuary to the ever-increasing risk of becoming blocked and closing, especially if Ndlambe fall short in their service delivery
- The ambitions of the KSDNA are in the final stages of the approval process
- The KSDNA and the authorities are persuaded by their own experts who have also been mandated accordingly
- It is critical that we act now to prevent a possible ecological disaster which will be hugely expensive, destructive, unsightly and dependent on timeous repeated municipal interventions for years to come, which is completely unrealistic

DRY BONES VALLEY IS THE OBVIOUS ALTERNATIVE!!
ALIGNED WITH NATURE, CHEAPER AND MORE RELIABLE
NO RISK TO THE ESTUARY
REQUIRING MINIMAL INTERVENTION

IN ASSOCIATION WITH



KENTON
—on Sea—
Ratepayers Association



MERRY HILL
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION



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\$\$ BUT WE NEED FUNDING TO DO THE FOLLOWING: \$\$

1. Consult with environmental and estuary experts
2. Prepare an appropriate environmental report
3. Bring the folly and selfishness of the KSDNA plan to the attention of the authorities
4. Thwart the final stage of approval through representations and/or litigation if so advised
5. Prevent unreasonable and unnecessary financial burdens being imposed on the ratepayers for years to come
6. Prevent unreasonable and unrealistic burdens being imposed on the Ndlambe Municipality
7. Prevent the on-going destruction of the Kenton road network
8. Prevent the irresponsible use of water which is desperately needed for human consumption
9. Prevent the destruction of the natural beauty of the Bushman's River mouth and our adjoining beaches
10. HONOUR AND UPHOLD what mother nature knows best!!

IF YOU ARE AS CONCERNED AS WE ARE AND IN A POSITION TO ASSIST IN ANY WAY, PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY INTO THE ESTUARY CARE BANK ACCOUNT:

Account Name: Estuary Care
Bank: Standard Bank
Branch: Grahamstown
Branch Code: 051001
Account No.: 283961325
Reference: ESTUARY/Surname

Yours sincerely

Stuart Clarkson
On behalf of all aligned Community Organizations

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