

CRUDEN BAY BLOCK PROJECT

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Why did we initiate the project?

- Major spike in petty crime incidents on the road
- Serious dumping problem along the park pavement
- Major litter left by waste pickers using the park to sort their waste
- We called a street meeting to discuss possible solutions



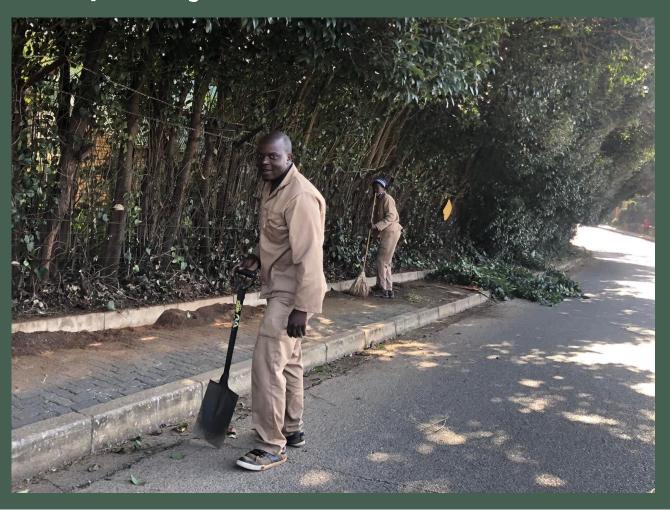


Advice from CAP

- Initially we consulted CAP about a 24-hour guard or installing CCTV cameras
- They advised against a guard or CCTV because the street is very long, the cost would be high and it would be unlikely to make a significant impact
- They advised us that petty crime is best tackled through small actions by residents including:
 - Install lighting along the boundary walls to eliminate any shadows that criminals can take advantage of to gain access to the property
 - Keep bushes, trees etc trimmed along boundary walls to eliminate any places for criminals to hide
 - Show criminals that the community and residents are invested in the area by:
 - Keeping pavements and the area neat and tidy
 - Report broken lights, potholes etc
 - Reporting any suspicious or unsavoury behaviour to CAP eg: people sleeping in the park

The Green Crew project

- Weekly clean up by Themba, Tobias and William (The GRA Green Crew)
- Work on: Cruden Bay & Sunningdale Rd, Sir Lionel Philips Park and pavements down to dump and to the Pirates main entrance
- Tasks:
 - Clean litter
 - Weed
 - Cut back bushes and shrubs
 - Maintain tree planting holes
 - Repairs and maintenance to park
 - Pavement reinstatements







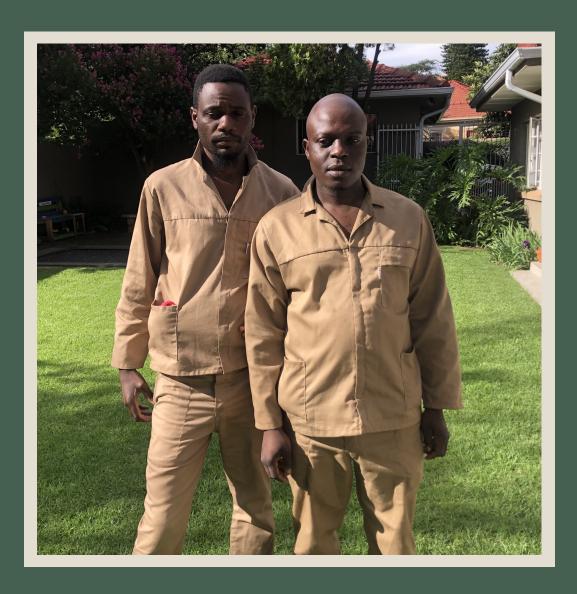






COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

- Spearheaded by Cruden Bay residents
- Funded by residents
- Generous monthly donation from Pirates Sports Club
- GRA provides support with banking and rubbish removal services
- Admin, finances, roster, wages and fundraising by project lead
- Rotation of the weekly management of the team (roster of families on the street)



HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Funds collected quarterly
- Paid into the GRA account
- Each household contributes R110 per month (R330 per quarter)
- This covers daily wages, black bags, equipment and a small contribution to rubbish removal
- Use an attendance register system to track attendance and payment of wages

