

## SOUTHBROOM PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 4 September 2023

### **ITEM 4 - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The main purpose of the SPOA is to provide funding to the CPF in order to keep our village safe and secure, and there is close coordination between the directors of the SPOA and the CPF. In particular, Brian Dick and Bennie Kruger spend a lot of time and effort and they're greatly appreciated by everyone in Southbroom. The CPF committee and all its members are vital to Southbroom and are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

In the AGM pack is document # 2 "Important Notice to All Southbroom Ratepayers" which outlines how and why the SPOA operates.

In brief every rateable property has R164.64 added to their RNM rates bill. This, or most of it, is paid over to the SPOA. It has been and currently is used to fund the operation of the CPF which includes, reservists, cameras, a motor vehicle, petrol, all expenses and most importantly of all the arrangement with Wolf Security to patrol Southbroom constantly. The agreement with Wolf has been extended for three years after a complete and thorough tender and evaluation process. They have performed well since their appointment in January 2022 and we trust that they will maintain their high standards.

There was no increase in the UIP levy this year in line with RNM policy. The current levy remains in force.

I am happy to report:

Security has been the best results ever with some months with ZERO crime reported. Bennie Kruger will deal with this in more detail in his report on the CPF.

Sound financial position, proper controls, insurance. Gerhard Uys and Jurie Snyman do an important and excellent job in this regard. Etc etc. The board meets regularly and operates cohesively.

### **UIP LEVY**

I have received many requests by Southbroomers to investigate an increase in the UIP levy, so that the money can be spent under our control to enhance municipal services and improve Southbroom. I am happy to announce that later this year I will call a SGM to consider this in detail. We know we cannot do anything about the bulk water supply and we will never have the resources to redo our roads.

But there is much we can do with an additional small amount of money under your control. Like we have done with crime and the current UIP levy, this can be extended to many other aspects of fixing and maintaining Southbroom. If we do this the load that falls on the pitiful SRA collections will fall away. It and the Conservancy will be properly funded to do their work.

The SGM will be called to consider and vote upon an extension to the UIP levy and minor changes to the Memorandum of Incorporation. All documentation will be distributed in advance and proper notice will be given. This can only happen with your approval and with the approval of RNM. I expect this SGM to be held around the end of October. **Thank you.**