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**Subject:** NEEDED: A Public Toilet open 24/7 in reasonably central Fish Hoek  
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Dear Cllr. Kuhl

This mail comes in response, at the Fish Hoek Valley Ratepayers and Residents Association's Executive Committee (FHVRRA's Exco) meeting held via Skype on Thursday 18th June 2020, to your request for written data in support of the local Fish Hoek's street people population's need for a public toilet that is open 24/7.

This should be reasonably centrally situated so that the Street people who roam Fish Hoek, have somewhere close to visit when Nature calls

When last members of the FHVRRA Exco. took a walk looking at the Urban Run-Off pollution problem in the Fish Hoek Main Road business centre, the central Post Office opposite a garage and the local pharmacy, "Warrens", was in the unhappy position of having to wash down its outside walkways regularly each morning because of human faeces and urine deposited there almost daily, overnight. This was not a pleasant task, and the run-off fed into the Urban Run-off which exits to the sea through the Yellow Lighthouse Culvert on the Fish Hoek beach and contributes to the pollution measured there.

The garage mentioned in the previous paragraph in the middle of town charges people to use their toilet, so street people don't use it.

Please think about this problem and with the help of other Sub Council members, surely it will be possible to put a permanent solution in place..

After having been housed at Strandfontein, the Street People have returned en masse to this their preferred area. I am told there are about 40 members of this group in our area.

One solution would be to arrange to have one of the FREE toilet facilities already here left open at night. E.g. The Station Toilet or the Beach facility behind the Galley Restaurant This would probably need supervision.

Failing that, perhaps the small parking ground close to the Beach pedestrian entrance at the back of the Town Square might be a suitable place on which to site a mobile facility as is done on building sites? The contractor would be responsible for maintenance. This would be expensive.

Alternatively, perhaps the Municipality might be prepared to pay the garage opposite the Post Office, a fee to permit street people to use their facility and cover the costs thereof? The Garage attendants could keep an on-going register of the usage.

Street people could be given a supply of stamped vouchers which they would present when using this facility.

Thank you for your many efforts to help Fish Hoek residents - and the street people have chosen to live here, so are now residents, aren't they?

I hope to hear that an appropriate plan is put into operation as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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