



## *Leisure Isle Residents Association*

INCORPORATING ISLAND SECURITY

### **To All Members**

#### **Report of the Committee -2012**

The committee has pleasure in presenting its Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2012.

#### **Membership**

LIRA membership is now 344 contributing members. Taking into account honorary/donor members and applications awaited, only 13% of residents are not members.

A campaign during the year to increase membership has proved successful. However there remain a number of residents who benefit from our activities but have not become members.

#### **Security**

A high level of security has been maintained during the year. Unfortunately we continue to experience a number of opportunistic thefts of a minor nature. In virtually all cases residents did not take reasonable precautions.

Allsound has now taken over full responsibility for the LIRA security function. Our guards will be employed by Allsound and likely to continue performing current guarding functions. Selected guards will have added responsibility as Response Officers. A security vehicle will be stationed on a permanent basis and will provide rapid response when required.

We are pleased to advise that we have negotiated employment contracts for the guards on the same conditions as their current employment with LIRA.

It should be clear from press and other reports that crime is increasing in Knysna. We believe that the steps we have taken should meet the challenges, especially now that the function is managed by a professional organization.

#### **Financial**

We are delighted to report that the surplus for the year is R16 128. The budget forecast a deficit of R11979. This is due to a successful campaign to recruit new members and also obtain payment of outstanding levies.

Our accumulated surplus amounts to R71 535

Security cost has been budgeted to increase 9.5% this year due to the statutory obligation to contribute to a Provident Fund for the guards (7.5% of salary) and the vat cost now payable on the fee to Allsound.

An increase in member's levies was unavoidable.

A deficit of R2 664 is forecast for the financial year 2013.

