

Ward Committee meeting – Chairperson’s Address – 7 June 2018

Good afternoon and welcome to the ward committee meeting for the month of June. Half this year has gone past and so many projects and challenges have come to light. I wish I had more time and more money!

At our last meeting Ankarien asked for a motion for a shelter to be tabled. We ascertained that I had to do this through subcouncil with the support of the ward committee. I did so on 19 April 2018 and am happy to report that we had a very successful meeting yesterday regarding not only the shelter but the social node whose motion I had tabled last year as well. While I’ve had to constantly tell myself these things take time, I am at least optimistic that there is constant movement and I will keep the ward committee updated as things happen. I have also asked that within the shelter structure they consider a way to create a space for families to stay together. If we do not dream big we will never achieve anything.

Furthermore, I have given a large amount of funding in the next financial year (2019/2020) to upgrading parks in the ward. Earlier this week I took a day to visit all the green spaces in the area to see which parks can do with play equipment/bins/etc. I am very excited about this journey with the green spaces as there are so many people who have contacted me with a need for all kinds of equipment in these spaces. People WANT to use the green areas! It’s fantastic!

On that note, if you come across any ideas via your members for projects in the ward, please inform me so that I can work them into the ward allocation budget. We start the planning way in advance due to the amount of control documents and so on that need to be signed and prepared so the sooner the better!

Then, I would like to convey my sincere thanks to each of you and your membership base for your priceless efforts and change you bring in the community! You make me so proud to be a part of ward 107.