



100 years Anniversary

# PARKVIEW RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

INCORPORATING GREENSIDE EAST

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# Newsletter

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## SAFE PARKVIEW we're making our suburb safer. are you?

Join now. Call 011 486 3833 or email [safe@parkview.org.za](mailto:safe@parkview.org.za) and help stop crime before it happens



We have consulted the Police, the Community Policing Forum and security experts. We have created a plan that will put 3 patrol vehicles on our streets every hour of every day, 365 days a year

### What will it Cost?

R630 per month per household. This includes fast armed response connected to your alarm if you request at no extra cost.

### What will I get?

- ✪ 24 hour patrolling of the suburb
- ✪ 24 hour contact centre with immediate response by dedicated armed trained officers to any incident or suspicious activity
- ✪ Optional connection of your home alarm to the armed response service
- ✪ Drive home on call 24 hours a day
- ✪ Paramedics emergency response
- ✪ SMS alerts
- ✪ Full time Parkview security manager
- ✪ Regular updates on crime statistics and crime incidents
- ✪ Independent home security advice
- ✪ Membership of the Parkview Residents Association

### The bad news

Last month one of your neighbours was held up at gunpoint in her driveway after being followed home from Dunkeld shopping centre. Another neighbour was stabbed with a knife after someone broke into his home office.

On average there are three or four incidents like this every month. And there is only one SAPS vehicle on Patrol covering Parkview and eight other suburbs at any one time.

Unless we all act now, sooner or later, this is going to affect you, your family, or your neighbour.

### The good news

We can act together as neighbours to reduce crime. We need to increase visible patrolling of our streets to deter crime. We need to start being better neighbours to protect our street and community. We need to pool our resources to do it. If we do this, we can reduce serious crimes by up to 80%.

### Safe Parkview

Safe Parkview is an initiative of the Parkview Residents Association. Over fifty residents have been working together to reduce crime. We now have streetleaders organising their neighbours in more than half the suburb.

And if you are unlucky enough to have a crime incident you will get a home visit, follow-up with police, assistance with ensuring police reports are completed and followed up on, and trauma counselling if you wish.

NAME

STREET NUMBER

CONTACT NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

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**SIGN UP NOW**

All for R630 per month  
Sign up now. Speak to your streetleader  
or Call 011 486 3833  
or email [safe@parkview.org.za](mailto:safe@parkview.org.za)

### How do I join?

It's simple to join. Speak to your streetleader. They can sign you up immediately. Or you can call us, email us, or fill in your details below. You can also visit the PRA website [www.parkview.org.za](http://www.parkview.org.za) for more information

### Call 011 486 3833

and leave your details (name, address and phone number). One of our team will get back to you as soon as we can, or

### email

[safe@parkview.org.za](mailto:safe@parkview.org.za) with your name, address and a phone number.

or

Complete the form below

Leave the form in the Safe Parkview box at PARKVIEW POSTNET, Tyrone Avenue.

## Streeleader's meeting report back

At the street leaders' meeting on Tuesday 11 November 2008, it became very clear that a 'safe parkview' means more than just employing the same security service provider. It requires the residents to start interacting as a real community.

It will be wonderful to reclaim our public space, to be and feel safer and to know that the whole community is committed to making our suburb safer.

But dare we take it further? In committing ourselves to operate as a community – respectful of each other's rights and with an expectation that no laws are broken, is it possible to suggest that it could also imply – not double parking in Tyrone Ave while you run into the Spar, or maybe not parking on a yellow line (or diagonally) while you return your DVD or even not talking on your cell phone while you drive? Would it also include not planting over the whole of your front verge so it is clear for pedestrians and prams – nor cutting down tress on the pavement? And what about not starting to build or alter your property before receiving approval from Council or if applicable, approval from Gauteng's heritage authority? And even complying with the zoning conditions of your property? .....

We all need to do our bit to reclaim our public space.

## Christmas Market 28 to 30 November

Activity update: Walking tours of Parkview

A number of walking tours of different parts of Parkview will be conducted over this weekend under the auspices of the Parkview Residents' Association's heritage sub-committee. Come and learn more about your suburb, its history and interesting individuals – and celebrate its heritage.

All tours will leave from and end at the George Hay Park and except for a short tour of St Columba's church, will be approximately 1 ½ hours.



More details will be posted on our website and on the Parkview library notice board as soon as the routes are finalised.



Look out for the Parkview Residents' Association stand at the St Columba's Christmas Market. We hope to also have photographs of some of the beautiful heritage properties in the suburb – as well as some of the beautiful modern additions that are adding to this heritage. Come and take part in the 'Spot the house' competition and add to the 'Stories of Parkview'.

Price for walks: R20 for adults and R10 for children under 12 (limited numbers on each walk).

Enquiries please email [info@arkview.org.za](mailto:info@arkview.org.za) or call 082 820 8437

## Save our Heritage - Appeal for Funds

A reminder to all residents of PRA's appeal to donate R200 per family for the legal costs that the PRA is likely to incur at the heritage appeal tribunal hearing for the Kilkenny Castle. A more long-term need is to fund work required to set up a Heritage Register and raise awareness on heritage – which hopefully would mean this type of legal action would be less common in the future. Please contact the treasurer Brent on [info@parkview.org.za](mailto:info@parkview.org.za).

Thank you to all the residents (and non-residents!) who have contributed to this fund already.

## Parkview Precinct Plan update

Questionnaires were sent out with the last newsletter as well as delivered to all traders. Now is your chance to have your say on how you see Parkview should develop in the future. The Precinct Plan guides the Council when they respond to rezoning applications – so our contribution will prevent the suburb developing in an ad hoc fashion. The questionnaire is posted on our website [www.parkview.org.za](http://www.parkview.org.za) - please submit before 30 November 2008.



## Current town planning / heritage applications and hearings

The PRA has responded to many rezoning applications in 2008 as well as a number of heritage matters. Some of them include -

### 34 Dundalk Ave

– Hearing on Tuesday 25th November

Application to rezone a residential property to a guesthouse with 8 double bedrooms to be built on the property.

### 63 Dundalk Ave

– Hearing on Thursday 27th November

Application to rezone a residential property to Business 4 to allow for a place of instruction, wellness centre, medical suites and offices (this would also allow restaurants, banks and building societies). Identical application submitted for 65 Dundalk Ave.

### 52 Galway Road (cnr Wicklow)

Owner is advertising their intention to apply to rezone to allow an 8 bedroom guesthouse. Extensive building alterations have started before rezoning approval has been granted. Building inspector has put a stop order on the property. Residents have until 19 November to object to this rezoning application. No heritage approval has been received for this alteration.

### 22 Dundalk Ave – Approval granted for 9 dwelling units with conditions

The owner was not granted the extension coverage and floor area ratio he applied for. The blanket removal of his restrictive conditions of title was not approved.

### 34 Lurgan Road – Building in contravention of approval from PHRA-G

After having a stop order from the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority – Gauteng (PHRA-G) served on a double storey alteration, the owner submitted an application for a single storey and received approval from PHRAG. Owner is currently building another storey in contravention of the PHRAG approval and has had another stop order served on him.

To assist us with these applications and hearings, we often need to consult town planning, heritage and legal experts – so please make sure you have all paid your 2008 PRA subscriptions. Join the PRA via [www.parkview.org.za](http://www.parkview.org.za) or fill in the membership form sent with previous newsletters.

## Subscription Fees

Please pay your PRA subscription – we need your participation and your cash! If you have not yet paid this year's fees - please complete and return the membership form on the following page.



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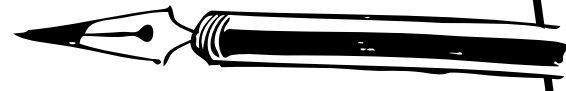
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 What issues are you passionate about? \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership fees are R350 per erf per calendar year. Please indicate how you will be paying:**  
 electronic transfer  cash  cheque

Membership is open to residents and/or ratepayers of Parkview and Greenside East.

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*Have a safe and relaxing holiday! Looking forward to continuing to be part of the community of Parkview.*

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