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**SPAZA/HOUSE SHOPS: VERIFY YOUR LAND USE RIGHTS**

The Oudtshoorn Municipality is surveying all house shops in the Greater Oudtshoorn area. This is your chance to:

1. Confirm your shop has the correct land use rights and approved building plans.
2. Submit any necessary land use applications and building plans for approval.

**Key Points:**

- Applications will follow the House Shop Policy.
- The Town Planning Department offers assistance with applications—no consultant needed.

**What You Need to Do by 31 October 2024:**

- Submit proof of approval and building plans to the Town Planning office at 92 St John Street, Oudtshoorn.
- Apply for a permit to legally operate your house shop.

**Important Notes:**

- Indigent benefits end if a house shop is operated from the property.
- Unapproved shops will be considered illegal.
- Shops with denied applications will also be deemed illegal.

Make sure to comply with the Greater Oudtshoorn Zoning Scheme By-law. Failure to do so could result in electricity suspension.

**SPAZA/HUISWINKELS: VERIFIEER JOU GRONDGEBRUIKSREGTE**

Die Oudtshoorn Munisipaliteit doen 'n opname van alle huiswinkels in die Groter Oudtshoorn area. Dit is u kans om:

1. Bevestig jou winkel het die regte grondgebruiksregte en goedgekeurde bouplanne.
2. Dien enige nodige grondgebruikaansoeke en bouplanne in vir goedkeuring.

**Sleutelpunte:**

- Aansoeke sal die Huiswinkelbeleid volg.
- Die Stadsbeplanningsafdeling bied hulp met aansoeke - geen konsultant nodig nie.

**Wat u teen 31 Oktober 2024 moet doen:**

- Dien bewys van goedkeuring en bouplanne in by die Stadsbeplanningskantoor te St Johnstraat 92, Oudtshoorn.
- Doen aansoek om 'n permit om u huiswinkel wettig te bedryf.

**Belangrike Notas:**

- Deernis voordele eindig as 'n huiswinkel vanaf die eiendom bedryf word.
- Nie-goedgekeurde winkels sal as onwettig beskou word.
- Winkels met aansoeke wat geweier word, sal ook as onwettig beskou word.

Maak seker u voldoen aan die Groter Oudtshoorn Soneringskema-verordening. Versuim om dit te doen kan lei tot elektrisiteitsopskorting.



**FREE TOWN PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ADVICE**

Need help with building line departures, rezoning, property rights, or environmental compliance? The Municipal Land Use Management and Spatial Planning Department offers free expert advice to guide you.

**Hours:** Mondays to Thursdays: 07:30 – 16:30  
Fridays: 07:30 – 13:30

**Location:** Municipal Town Planning Department, 92 St John Street

**We can assist with:**

- Building line departures
- Consent uses
- Rezoning
- Subdivisions
- Environmental compliance

**For inquiries, contact:**

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☎ Landline: 044 203 3979

*Let us guide you every step of the way.*

**GRATIS STADSBEPLANNING EN OMGEWINGSDIENSTE RAAD**

Het u hulp nodig met die boulynafwykings, hersonering, eiendomsregte of omgewingsnakoming? Die Munisipale Grondgebruikbestuur en Ruimtelike Beplanningsafdeling bied gratis kundige advies om jou te lei.

**Ure:** Maandae tot Donderdae: 07:30 – 16:30  
Vrydae: 07:30 – 13:30

**Plek:** Munisipale Stadsbeplanningsafdeling, St Johnstraat 92

**Ons kan help met:**

- Boulynafwykings
- Toestemmingsgebruike
- Hersonering
- Onderafdelings
- Omgewingsnakoming

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*Kom ons lei u elke stap van die pad.*



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OUDTSHOORN MUNICIPALITY PARTNERS WITH TFASA FOR AIRPORT MANAGEMENT

The Oudtshoorn Municipality has signed a new 9-year & 11 months agreement with the Test Flying Academy of South Africa (TFASA) to manage the Oudtshoorn Airport. This partnership, formalized on 4 September 2024, entrusts TFASA with daily operations while the Municipality remains the owner.

Key points:

- TFASA will develop an airfield master plan and manage new developments, including hangars.
- A joint Steering Committee will oversee operations, ensuring safety and growth.
- The partnership aims to boost the airport’s role in driving local economic development.

Previously, TFASA was only a tenant at the airport until 30 April 2024, but as of 1 August 2024, they now manage the facility on behalf of the Municipality, focusing on safety, expansion, and training opportunities.

The agreement marks a crucial step in elevating Oudtshoorn Airport's role as a regional economic catalyst.

CAREER EXPO A HUGE SUCCESS IN OUDTSHOORN

The recent Career Expo in Oudtshoorn by the Oudtshoorn Municipal Youth Office was a major success, featuring over 20 exhibitors offering internships, learnerships, and job opportunities. Attendees received expert advice on job applications and digital platforms, helping them navigate the job market.



The event also saw the launch of a new computer lab at the Thusong Centre, supported by government departments, to equip the community with essential digital skills.



Later the day, Speaker, Alderlady Suzane Jansen, officially launched the Youth Council, celebrating the future role of young leaders in the community.



NUWE ELEKTRISITEITSONDERBREKINGSDIENSVERSKAFER AANGESTEL

Die Groter Oudtshoorn Munisipaliteit het Inzalo UMS aangestel om te help met kragonderbrekings en heraansluitings weens beperkte interne kapasiteit.

Belangrike Punte:

- Onderbrekings: Maandag – Donderdag
- Heraansluitings: 24/7 beskikbaar
- Meters: Inspeksies en omskakeling na voorafbetaalde meters

Maak seker jou rekening is op datum om onderbreking te vermy. Inzalo UMS beampte sal ‘n ID-kaart en amptelike briewe dra. Vra gerus by die munisipale oproepsentrum as jy enige bekommernisse het.

NEW ELECTRICITY DISCONNECTION SERVICE PROVIDER APPOINTED

Oudtshoorn Municipality has appointed Inzalo UMS to help with electricity disconnections and reconnections due to limited capacity.

Key Points:

- Disconnections: Monday – Thursday
- Reconnections: Available 24/7
- Meters: Inspections and prepaid conversions

Ensure your account is up to date to avoid disconnection. Inzalo UMS official, will carry an ID cards and official letters.

ANNUAL RENEWAL OF UNEMPLOYMENT DATABASE FORMS

The Greater Oudtshoorn Municipality reminds all unemployed residents to renew their details for the Unemployment Database. Keeping your information updated ensures eligibility for job opportunities.

Renewal Period: 2 September 2024 – 31 August 2025

How to Renew:

- Visit the Municipal Offices on As Street
- Bring a certified copy of your ID (and driver’s license, if applicable)

Office Hours:

- Monday to Thursday: 07:30 – 16:30
- Friday: 07:30 – 13:30

For more information, contact Ms Rowayda September at 044 203 3192.

Stay eligible—renew today!