

**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Paardevelei Project De Beers Soccer Club held 06.09.2024 at 12h00**  
**De Beers Boardroom, Somerset West**

**Attendees:**

NAME	DESIGNATION
Marlyn Hendricks	<b>Project Manager</b>
Namhla Kutuka	<b>Project Administrator</b>
Ryan Jonas	<b>EAP: JG Afrika</b>
Gerald Bez	<b>De Beers AFC - Chairman</b>
Lisa Bez	<b>De Beers AFC - Committee Member</b>
Paul Harrison	<b>De Beers AFC - Committee Member</b>
Miguel Teixeira	<b>De Beers AFC - Committee Member</b>

SUBJECT	ACTION
<b>1. Welcome and Apologies</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MH welcomed everyone.</li> <li>All attendees introduced themselves.</li> </ul>	
<b>2. Background &amp; Discussions</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MH briefed the attendees on the project background.</li> <li>Eskom as an electricity supplier is struggling to meet electricity demands and their tariffs keep increasing. Therefore, the City of Cape Town intends to construct a 30-60 MW Ground Mounted Solar PV Plant at the Paardevelei site located in Somerset West.</li> <li>The project will contribute towards achieving financial sustainability, increasing energy security and the reduction in carbon emission.</li> <li>Currently, the project is in the early stage of the project development called the feasibility stage.</li> <li>The potential areas/sites were presented in a visual format (printed document).</li> <li>Various assessments on the land were conducted, including the environmental assessments.</li> <li>The assessments identified sites that were potential development areas where the Solar PV Plant could be built.</li> <li>MH highlighted that a deciding factor for the site option will be determined by the formal outcomes of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process.</li> <li>The Solar PV Plant would be completely fenced off with access control and security cameras.</li> <li>A buffer zone should be considered to avoid the risk of equipment damage from the soccer field during tournaments and friendly games.</li> <li>The De Beers AFC was encouraged to submit their concerns and comments before the public participation engagements, which closes on Monday 09 September 2024.</li> <li>De Beers AFC proposed that it would be highly appreciated if the City of Cape Town could upgrade the existing road, which would be beneficial to them and also ease the transportation of panels and other equipment to the Paardevelei site.</li> <li>Early works, which include site clearance, roads and fencing are planned to start in</li> </ul>	

<p>2026 in preparation of construction.</p> <p><u>Area of concerns:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soccer balls flying over to the fenced-off Solar Farm facility.</li> <li>• Upgrades of existing roads and maintenance required.</li> <li>• During the design phase, a buffer zone must be established due to the short distance between De Beers's fence and where the panels will be located.</li> <li>• Relocations.</li> </ul> <p>The proposed solar PV project will not require De Beers AFC to relocate. The proposed solar PV plant layout will be designed so that it does not impact on the soccer club.</p>	

Paardevelei Solar Project – Meeting with De Beers AFC (06/09/2024)

Attendance Register

Name	Organization	Contact Details (Tel, email)
MIGUEL TEIXEIRA	DE BEERS	
PAUL HARRISON	De Beers	
Gerald Bez	De Beers	
Lisa Bez	De Beers	
NAMBHA KUTUBA	CITY OF CAPE TOWN	
marlyn hendricks	city of Cape Town	
ryan jonas	JG Afrika	