

## Increase in complaints regarding children's behaviour

## Dear residents

We have in recent months experienced an extremely worrying increase in the number and nature of complaints of delinquent behaviour by children on the estate.

We all chose to live on this estate largely because of its reputation for safety, and we have excellent perimeter security, which is about to be even more improved. However, if we are not safe due to behaviours of our own fellow residents then the HOA will take more dramatic actions than those considered when the Estate Rules Transgression Chart was first compiled.

We have recently had various complaints against children of assault, racial abuse, intimidation, damage to property, shooting of airguns at younger children, unlicenced driving, reckless driving, rude behaviour towards other residents, providing false and misleading evidence to security, etc. All of these complaints are being fully investigated by the HOA and the Security team. For some of these, criminal charges are also pending.

The HOA Trustees are convening early this week to discuss increasing the penalties on the transgressions chart, and we wish to point out that any evidence of transgressions will be severely dealt with. Please note the Trustees also have additional powers in terms of the Constitution and the Estate Rules to hand out discretionary fines over and above the transgression chart (for example, for repeat offenders, or very serious delinquent behaviour, etc.) We are also considering imposing, in certain instances, restrictions on movement in the estate without adult supervision, and adding a potential implementation of some form of community service where the HOA believes that a monetary fine may not be a sufficient deterrent. Non-resident children involved in such behaviours will also be banned from the estate.

Additionally, in the event that complainants decide to press criminal charges, the HOA will make available all and any evidence to the authorities.

We implore parents to make children aware of the seriousness of delinquent behaviour and the resulting actions that would follow.

Kind regards PVHOA, Board of Trustees Ivan van Niekerk Pearl Valley Golf & Country Estate, R301, Wemmershoek Road, Paarl, Cape Town, South Africa 7646, South Africa, 0218678000 <u>Unsubscribe Manage preferences</u>