

# Dickie Fritz Road Closure Association

*Dickie Fritz 100-139, Flame Crescent, Holly Close, Cherry Close, Keurboom Crescent*

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Dear Residents

With crime stats on the increase in the surrounding suburbs, we'd like to give you an update on our area and remind everyone to keep their own personal security in mind at all times.

## 24/7

The committees of River Ridge and Dowerglen Ext 3 meet with 24/7 one a month. This is the latest feedback from 24/7:

*"There were no crime incidents in the past month. We did conduct greenbelt sweeps in the area. To be aware that across our areas we are seeing that 20% of incidents remain burglaries at residential areas (no one at home) and 18% are theft, which includes issues such as snatching of cell phones from restaurants plus petty theft such as outside lights from houses.*

*A trend we are seeing is that **residents are targeted as they are exiting their properties during the school run/ leaving for work.** Please ensure your residents know of this and always check before exiting or entering their premises.*

*Please **ensure that domestic workers have access to panic buttons.** You can download the **24/7 Security app** for all members of the household. This then functions as a panic button. It is available in the App Store and on Google Play. You can register by entering the details of the first person on your account who Control Room calls. Once that profile is set up, you can add additional phones. If you have any problems you can contact Naweed on [sysadmin@24-7security.co.za](mailto:sysadmin@24-7security.co.za). Over 800 of our clients now actively use this App."*



## Check your system regularly

Please ensure that your electric fence and alarm are working at all times. Electric fences that are not working are a key way for intruders to access your property.



## Houses for Sale

There are 5 houses in the area for sale at the moment. Reasons vary from emigrating, relocating elsewhere in the country, retiring etc. Please ensure that your estate agent makes potential buyers aware the security fee for the area is **R800** per month, inclusive of armed response.

## Parks

The committee manages cleaning of the parks in Keurboom Crescent and Willow Park adjacent to our closure in Flame Crescent. Keeping the grass short and branches and shrubbery trimmed limits places for would-be criminals to hide. They also regularly request that The Glades and Green Park (along Dickie Fritz towards River Ridge) keep the grass opposite their complexes short.

## Pavements

Thank you to the residents in No. 1, and 2 Holly Close, No.1 and 2 Cherry Close, No. 13 and 24 Flame Crescent and 1 Lakeside for keeping the grass short on the pavement in Flame Crescent next to the fence at the dam.

## Out and about in the area

It's lovely to see so many people cycling, running and walking in the area. It's great that we are safe and able to do this.

Please let's keep our roads safe too by reducing our speed when driving in our closure.



## Water wise

Please be mindful of water-wastage and limit the unnecessary use of hosepipes.

