

Bushman's River Mouth Ratepayers Association  
Ward 3  
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Ndlambe Municipality  
P.O.Box 11100,  
Port Alfred,  
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**Re State of Roads in Bushman's River Ward 3**

Dear Sir,

There are several roads which are in a very poor state in the Bushman's River Rivers Bend area and several intersections are not correctly sign posted. Potholes are approaching 1m in diameter size and with every rainfall the situation worsens. The potholes become deeper and the sides collapse which aggravates the situation. The sides of the road have collapsed in places and again with every rainfall the situation is aggravated as it encroaches further and further into the road. Road markings have not been repainted and in some places the signs are missing which means that these intersections are illegal in terms of the Provincial Road Ordinance which means if there is a collision the Municipality could be sued.

The areas which are most affected are the corners or intersections of roads. The two worst potholed areas are at the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Rivers Bend and the intersection 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Rivers Bend. These areas require immediate attention.

The Ratepayers Association Bushman's River Mouth Ward 3 is currently compiling a list of prioritized areas of the roads which require repair at present. We understand that not all the repair work can be done immediately but would like to see some concerted effort but the Ndlambe Municipality to start repair work before the situation becomes even more critical. If these areas are not repaired it will lead to accelerated deterioration and whole sections of road will have to be rebuilt at great expense to the Municipality.

The matter has been discussed with Richard Pote on two occasions and with Bill Patterson on one occasion. We are now formalizing the request via the Ward Committee and Ward Councilor.

Yours faithfully,

Johann Smuts  
Rate Payers Association Committee (Roads)

Cc Bill Patterson  
Richard Pote