

WATERFALL ESTATE CONTINUED TO GROW IN 2014



An amazing amount of developments have taken place at Waterfall Estate during the past year.

Although work has been going on for several years, it's no exaggeration to say that during the past 12 months, much of the Estate has evolved from a building site, into a highly desirable place to live, work and play.

If your home is still in an area where hard hats and bulldozers are a daily sight, the good news is that it won't last for much longer, as our construction companies Atterbury and Century Property are both ahead of their schedules.

Hopefully the road improvements have also lessened the congestion on your routes in and out of the Estate. The Midrand roads were often congested with traffic even before Waterfall Estate started to attract more residents and workers, but a slew of major improvements are taking place and will create the extra capacity to keep traffic flowing smoothly for us all.

With that in mind, here's a quick overview of some successes achieved in the past year for the Waterfall Estate development:

RESIDENTIAL AREAS:

The remaining plots in Waterfall Country Estate Extensions 40 and 105 were released for sale and a successful marketing campaign means there are now only about 80 stands left in the Waterfall Country and Country Village Estates. Century Property is now constructing

the first 12 upmarket cluster homes in Extension 43 of Waterfall Country Estate. These will be sold as ready-to-live-in luxury homes for people who don't have the time or desire to design their own home and oversee the building process.

Nothing has been compromised in the architectural design and elegance here, however they remove the hassle for buyers who like to see what they are getting – and get it instantly.

Waterfall CEO, Willie Vos, says there were already 1800 stands that buyers could design their own homes for, so adding some ready-built luxury homes was a smart move. "We found that many people don't want to go through the process of designing a house. They find it more convenient to purchase a house that's already built so they can see what they are getting," he says.

In the Waterfall Valley Retirement Estate, plans are being issued for the last 49 stands. Construction in this segment of the Estate should be completed by August 2015. Vos says not all 49 plots have been sold, but again there was a demand for finished homes from retirees who do not have the time or experience to embark on designing and supervising a housing project.

When you want to retire, or need a home suitable for a wheelchair and with frail care facilities on call, you often need to make a quick decision. To enable that, the vacant plots will be developed with 2 or 3 bedroom homes ready for occupation.

RETAIL AREAS:

Waterfall Corner Shopping Centre opened several months ago and is a hive of activity, with nine restaurants and the likes of Woolworths Food, Checkers and Clicks as anchor tenants. A beautician and several boutiques also help to make a shopping trip more interesting.

The Virgin Active Gym is proving very popular, while the landscaped running and hiking trails throughout the Estate are another way to keep you fit.

COMMERCIAL AREAS:

On the commercial side, Group Five Construction Company now has 1200 employees working in its new HQ at Waterfall.

The CBD is attracting many high-profile companies, with Colgate, Premier, and pharmaceutical giant, Novartis all moving in.

Technology company, Westcon, has moved into its new premises to the east of the N1, along with several other companies that share our belief that Waterfall Estate will soon become the centre of business activity in Gauteng.

The City Lodge Hotel is also opening in our CBD, catering to businessmen who are visiting clients or companies in the area, and providing a handy location to accommodate the friends and families of our residents, too.

The past year has been one filled with much development and excitement on the Estate, and there is no doubt that 2015 will prove to be no different. 