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### **What to do with recyclables in the interim...**

The recycling plant in Hermanus suffered irreparable damage during the riots and, subsequently, the word was spread on social media that residents can dump their recyclable waste at the refuse drop-off site at the OK Minimarket in Voëlklip.

Unfortunately, the municipality was not consulted in the matter with the result that this facility, initially only intended as a “weekend” drop-off site, is now being flooded.

In the meantime, Jacques van Niekerk, the new owner of Walker Bay Recycling, confirmed that this enterprise is currently in the process of establishing a small sorting facility in Sandbaai’s industrial area.

Even though their facility is still rather limited at present, Van Niekerk invites concerned Hermanus residents to drop their recyclables off at the new depot at Argon Street, Sandbaai Industrial.

“We are recycling cardboard, paper, glass and plastic,” says Van Niekerk, “and people are welcome to call me on 083 452 7465 if they have any questions”.

Meanwhile, the municipality is going ahead with the planning of a new recycling facility so that the full “clear plastic bag” service for recyclable refuse as well as a drop-off site for garden refuse and household waste will, yet again, be made available to residents.

In accordance with municipal legislation, public bids for the operation of the new recycling plant will be invited and the public will be kept abreast of progress in this regard at all times.

In the meantime, residents are encouraged to stick to the usual days and arrangements pertaining to the collection of household waste.

Also note that the other transfer stations/dumping sites/depots are still operational and that these sites should be used for the dumping of household waste and garden refuse (loads less than 1 ton).

All commercial loads (refuse, builders' waste and garden refuse) should, however, be dumped at the Karwyderskraal landfill site.



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