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Cape Town welcomes

Richmond Landmark



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Richmond has welcomed a new landmark on the busy corner of Platteklouf and Tygerberg Valley Roads, right at the N7 highway off-ramp. Richmond Corner Shopping Centre opened in Cape Town, introducing 6 500m² of sought-after retail convenience while simultaneously uplifting the community.

COMMUNITY RESTITUTION

More than a landmark, the centre is also part of Richmond Park, an 84ha site that is part of a milestone land restitution settlement. The land is owned by the Richmond Park Communal Property Association (CPA) – a group of 401 families representing 5 300 people spanning five generations, who were forcibly removed from it between 1972 and 1984. In 2014, the land transferred back to the CPA.

The Richmond Park community leased the land to the Richmond Park Development Company and has a shareholding in the development company.

Opened on 23 July by the deputy minister of rural development and land reform, Mcebisi Skwatsha, represented by Dr Wayne Alexander, Chief Director: Western Cape Land Claims Commission, Richmond Park is among the largest property developments in Cape Town, with 300 000m² of greenfield mixed-use development rights. Major shareholders include Atterbury, Old Mutual Properties, the Richmond Park CPA, Qubic 3 Dimensional Property, Bethel Property and Atlantis.

TAILOR-MADE DEVELOPMENT

Atterbury is rolling out the multibillion rand Richmond Park development on behalf of the shareholders. For more than 26 years, Atterbury has delivered excellent tailor-made development solutions including property development, investment and asset management, both locally and internationally.

Atterbury's Western Cape head of operations, Gerrit van den Berg, speaking on the occasion of Richmond Corner's launch, said: "Everyone involved in this project has gone above and beyond to get Richmond Corner ready. The opening of any shopping centre takes meticulous planning and heaps of hard work. Achieving this during COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, and doing so safely, is an exceptional achievement and we'd like to thank everyone who has risen to this challenge.

"Richmond Corner, together with the entire Richmond Park development, is a symbol of confidence in South Africa's future. May we all draw a little hope and inspiration from this successful land restitution and the opening of a fully-let centre in the middle of a global pandemic."





EASY CONVENIENCE

Offering easy accessibility for commuters living in nearby Bothasig, Richwood, Burgundy, Platteklouf and surrounds, it is anchored by Pick n Pay, Woolworths Food and Clicks, with 22 stores complemented by a variety of take-away options, health and beauty shops and banking convenience. In the spirit of community, several of these retailers have been mindful to employ people from the Richmond community, and so too has the precinct’s cleaning contractor.

Designed to be modern, minimalistic and aesthetically appealing, Richmond Corner features accents of textured wood and cement. Not only visually exciting, it was also designed to be environmentally friendly, with the structure including built-in rainwater harvesting, environmentally friendly and sustainable waste management and provision for a future solar farm installation.

Initially, Richmond Corner will open at 9am daily and trade until 6pm on weekdays, 5pm on Saturdays and 3pm on Sundays and public holidays. The centre offers 24-hour security with free parking. As is expected, COVID-19 safety protocols are firmly in place at the new centre with all gazetted conditions being strictly adhered to, ensuring a convenient and safe shopping experience.

Learn more about Richmond Corner at richmondcorner.capetown or [@RichmondCornerC](https://www.facebook.com/RichmondCornerC) on Facebook.

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