

The South Coast Chamber of Commerce and Industry/The South Coast Business Chamber.



Dr Peter Munns CEO – 2008 to 2018 – An Old structure: To a New Vision!

BACKGROUND: Local Community Development: The Chamber Contribution:

- 1. Served on the Exco since 2008: South Coast Community Development.
- 2. Assisted in driving the membership; and responsible for recovering debt.
- 3. Participated in developing the UGU IDP Integrated Development Plan.
- 4. Participated in developing the HCM IDP Integrated Development Plan.
- 5. Represented Chamber as Chairman KZN Financial Literacy Association.
- 6. Represented Chamber on the UKZN Champions Programme Committee.
- 7. On a Capacity Building & Institutional Development Committee for DEDT.
- 8. Business consultant and fundraising Director to the FET Esayidi College.
- 9. Proactive development of all the Informal and SMME sector in the region.

10. Established sound relationships with all the local Municipal L.E.D. Desks.

11. Served on the UGU S.A.P.S "Business against Crime" Forum for 4 years.

12. Served on South Coast Urban-Econ Development Committee for 6 years.

13. Served on the South African Teen Entrepreneur Development Committee.

- 14. Published a book in 2010 on the subject of Informal/SMME Development.
- 15. Participated in both of the UGU Disaster and Poverty Relief Programmes.
- 16. Participated in the launch of the Hibiscus Coast Public Transport initiative.

17. Contributed to the KZN 'Top Business Portfolio Development' for 2 years.

18. Attended the Waste Management Development Forums on regular basis.

19. Assisted in the development of both HIV and Health Development Forum.

20. Built sound business sector relationships with 6 Municipal Managements.

21. Organised UGU Business Against Crime and Corruption Summit in 2012.

22. Established the first 150 rural area Co-Operatives for the business chamber;

23. Assisted in developing and also establishing the "Work Link" at FET College;

24. Applied for the nomination to the Hibiscus Coast Mayoral Advisory Council.

25. One of our Directors, Dr Caron Smith, serves on Mayoral Advisory Council;

26. Participated in several Ratepayer Associations in the entire province of KZN.

27. Established the very first Car Watch/Car guard initiative in Durban in 1993.

28. Designed and developed Coca-Cola Vending Carts and for other corporates.

29. Served and assisted on numerous other local planning and growth portfolios.

30. Established the M.L.Sultan Technology Enterprise Centre in Durban in 2000.

31. Established the very first Durban University of Technology in 2001 in Durban.

32. Sacrificed 20 years of time in 'community upliftment' and social development.

33. A Finalist in the 2012 Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur for South Africa.

34. Developed the Solomon Project; for community development and poverty relief.

35. Developed the new South Coast Crime: Grime: and Inner City Decay programme.

36. Sat on the Business against Crime Portfolio Exco in Port Shepstone: for 6 years.

37. Developed the UGU Community Asset Protection Services; as a CAPS initiative.

38. Provided ProPhalt Pothole 'reclamation and development': South Coast Region.

39. Developed the 'Water Harvesting' initiative; and all rural economic development.
 40. Developed the Integrated Development Plans; Hibiscus Coast and Ugu Region.
 41. Assisted in the Youth: and Women and other vulnerable group area development.
 42. Initiated both the *"Business Beat"* and *"Community Beat"* South Coast programmes.
 43. Gained enviable respect, recognition and full support at: COGTA: DTI and DEDT.
 44. Developed school feeding and nourishment programme: For 500 South Coast schools.
 45. Assisted in beads programme: Arts, Craft development: Department of Arts and Culture.
 46. Developed New 'Constitution' for the South Coast Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
 47. Restructured and rebranded "South Coast Business Chamber" with MANCO and Exco. leadership; with the new "vision" for seamless development of the South Coast corridor.
 48. Researched, planned and prepared a 'local development programme' that takes into a consideration of the National Development Plan and the Local Integrated Development Plans; and then allows for total participation by Government, local Municipal authorities and the business sector and wider community. – The Solomon Project: and "Enterprise"

- South Coast". Assisted in the agricultural development programme for the South Coast.
 49. Developed a "vision" for the future growth that harnesses the finance and wisdom of the business community; the Municipal resources and political will, for the socio-economic growth and development; and the benefit of the wider community and youth, to achieve this seamless development programme; as part of a 'Operation Sukuma Sakhe' project.
- 50. Identified projects and also specific role-players and interest groups at a local, national and international level; who would play vital role in ensuring that all of these projects are developed at sustainable level for the benefit of the coastal region: *Ark of Compassion*.
- 51. Remain committed to the establishment of Public and Private Sector Partnerships; that will assist all in the social and economic growth and development in our coastal region.
- 52. Deputy Chair of The Growth Coalition: An initiative of The Office of the Premier in KZN.

MAIN FOCUS: CHAMBER: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: WOMEN AND YOUTH:

- Serve the needs and interests of the individual member;
- Develop partnerships to aid and assist communities and PDI's;
- Establish and implement practical solutions for higher education;
- Provided practical and viable solutions to all local community challenges;
- Remain dedicated to the nurturing of all economic and social development;
- Remain committed to the sustained promotion of a viable "entrepreneurial" culture;
- Proactively assist in further identifying all skills, needs and business opportunities;
- Assist in building a sound and reliable network of all product and service providers;
- Remain dedicated to the sustainable development of the informal and SMME Sector.

CURRENT SITUATION: Was appointed President in March 2012. – Established an effective and efficient Management and Executive Committee that is suitably qualified, experienced and dedicated and committed to represent the Business Sector in our region. It needs a loud voice.

We then established a dress code that shows tremendous respect to the business community we represent: then also collectively developed a new Chamber "Vision"; with our Aims, Goals, Primary Objectives and the Mission Statement clearly defined; and which builds the community and engenders and inculcates social development, racial cohesion; and also economic growth.

While remaining totally dedicated to the future social and economic growth and development of the South Coast, this will be achieved through the local, national and international support that is received through the business community; and the establishment of sustainable Public and Private Sector Partnerships. This is the value that we provide as a **'United Voice'** of Business.