

Homeless on agenda

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Ward councillor Shayne Ramsay says homeless people, drawn to the Atlantic Seaboard by the many tourists there and the high possibility of hand-outs could be earning as much as R5 000 a day.

Ms Ramsay, whose ward includes Sea Point, Fresnaye, Bantry Bay, Robben Island, Signal Hill, Camps Bay, Bakoven, Clifton, Three Anchor Bay (south of the Main Road, Camberwell Road, Mutley Road and Glengariff Road) and Oudekraal, told a public meeting of the Camps Bay and Clifton Ratepayers' Association meeting she

had been given this information by Camps Bay police.

Atlantic Sun, however, was unable to confirm this as Camps Bay's station commander was not available when we called him to verify this figure.

In an effort to address homelessness on the Seaboard, Ms Ramsay said, "The Department of Social

Development in conjunction with SAPS and Law Enforcement hold regular joint operations where illegal structures built on the beaches and surrounding areas are removed."

Ms Ramsay has previously found herself in hot water over comments made about homeless people.

At the end of 2016, she found

herself at the centre of a social media storm after she posted comments about homeless people in Sea Point, to which many took offence ("In hot water for homeless rant", Atlantic Sun, December 1, 2016).

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