

Harbour headaches

Locals concerned about ongoing construction

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With the festive season approaching, it's about to get really busy at Hout Bay Harbour but the apparent slow pace of construction carried out on the paving and the removal of the fencing has raised some concerns.

Construction at the harbour kicked off in April this year, with various renovations being done to vandalised buildings, constructing new ablution facilities, improving security in the form of a close circuit television (CCTV) camera network system, removing existing fencing and replacing them with high pre-cast concrete as well as erecting new fencing around equipment installations.

Other work include the removal of existing and new construction of a number of pedestrian and vehicle security entrances comprising of automatic and stainless steel gates.

New cables are being installed, along with prepaid kiosks and new prepaid, three phase and single phase, electricity meters on jetties and breakwater.

Business owner and a frequent visitor to the Hout Bay Harbour, Jamie Lawson, said it was frustrating to see the construction still continuing. He said he thought work would have been wrapped up by now.

He added that work around the harbour was an inconvenience, especially as the area would soon be getting more visitors.

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