

SIMON NICKS : CURRICULUM VITAE

Present Appointment	Managing Member, CNdV africa Planning and Design CC environmental planners, urban designers and landscape architects
Education	BCom (Natal) BAS MCRP MCPUD (University of Cape Town)
Professional Memberships and Positions	Registered Town and Regional Planner (SACTRP - Reg No. 779) Member of the South African Planning Institute (Reg No. 11024) Certified Environmental Assessment Practitioner (Reg No. 4007) Member of the Urban Design Institute of South Africa (Reg No. N002) Member of the Royal Town Planning Institute (Reg No. 38041) Past Council Member, South African Council of Town & Regional Planners Member, Association of Town & Regional Planners South Africa
Languages	English : First language, Afrikaans : Understand



SIMON NICKS is Managing Member of CNdV africa. He has qualifications in commerce, architecture, urban design and planning. He is a committed urbanist and environmentalist. He was project leader for the Western Cape Provincial Spatial Development Framework for the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, as well as Municipal and Town Spatial Development Frameworks for Stellenbosch, Eden, Uniondale, Frances Baard District Municipality (Kimberley), and Dikgatlong (Warrenton).

Simon prefers to engage in projects that can make a difference. He is project leader on Imizamo Yethu, a mixed-use, mixed-income informal settlement upgrading project in the high income residential area of Hout Bay. Policy work includes spatial development frameworks for Stellenbosch and Cape Agulhas municipalities, based on the Ecological Socio-Economic Relationship Framework. Simon devised this framework in an effort to bring more meaning to the use of the word "Sustainability" in policy and project work. He has also led the Area Based Plan for advancing land reform in the Overberg District of the Western Cape. He was part of three of the N2 Gateway presidential project urban design teams. He recently completed the Urban Design Framework for the 240 000m² Dube City new town at King Shaka Airport. Simon is also working for a number of private and community based clients on land reform, upmarket residential, agricultural and ecological estate projects. Each of these projects attempts to take the boundaries of environmentally sustainable design and operation one step further. Rural development and the regeneration of urban settlements in rural areas is a particular interest of his.

Simon has worked on a wide range of projects including airports, central business districts, low and upmarket housing and mixed use schemes, environmental plans for urban and rural natural areas and spatial development frameworks for municipalities in the Western Cape, Northern Cape and Free State.

Rural development and the regeneration of urban settlements in rural areas is a particular interest of his. This began with work in Hamburg, Eastern Cape where he proposed development strategies for the future of the village and surrounds. Most of these proposals were not supported by the government of the day. Recent work in rural contexts includes Majeng Land Reform Project near Kimberley exploring housing, agricultural and tourism options; the ABP for the Overberg District and the Stellenbosch and Cape Agulhas Municipal Spatial Development Frameworks (SDFs). The latter SDF dealt with issues and proposals for historic communities on well located coastal land. His masters dissertation focussed on the Transkei region of the Eastern Cape and the Matatiele District in particular.

Simon is particularly interested in the restructuring of the Apartheid City, environmentally sustainable design and management of cities in developing countries, and the integration of transport, housing and urban design and planning. This work has been focused on how settlements can reduce the psychological and fossil fuel energy required in order for them to function. These projects have included plans for the structured densification of the City of Cape Town, Stellenbosch, Paarl, Wellington and Knysna. Much of this work has focussed on the relationship between transport and urban form and structure and has included international work and research in the cities of Curitiba (Brazil), Copenhagen (Denmark) and Leuven (Belgium). Practical experience has been gained in the Metropolitan Spatial Development Framework, Cape Town, Klipfontein Corridor, Cape Town and smaller projects in Stellenbosch and Paarl. He also worked as an advisor to the Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA) on developing Cato Manor along these principles. He is currently advising the Western Cape's Department of the Premier on spatial aspects of Poverty Alleviation.

He presented the Cape Town case study at the Environmental Management for African Cities Workshop in Dakar, Senegal in June 1995 (World Bank, UN HABITAT) and co-led case study tours to Brazil, studying urban environmental management land-use and transportation in 1994.

Leadership positions include National Council member of the SACTRP from 1998 – 2001 and membership of the Executive Committee, ACTRP (South Region) of which he was chairperson in 2000/2001. He currently sits on the Western Cape's Planning Advisory Board.

Simon has received a number of awards including the South African National Botanical Institute's Fynbos Conservation award for 2009 and the Johnny Walker Celebrating Strides 2010 award in the environmental category.

1. RECORD OF EXPERIENCE : SELECTED PROJECTS

1.1 Urban and Regional Planning

Spatial Development Framework Guidelines	: National Department of Land Affairs	current
Stellenbosch Municipal SDF	: Stellenbosch Municipality	current
Belvedere – Milner Road Land Use Mgmt Policy	: City of Cape Town	current
Cape Agulhas SDF	: Cape Agulhas Municipality	2008
Stellenbosch SDF/ Density Strategy	: Stellenbosch Municipality	current
Knysna Density Strategy	: Knysna Municipality	2007
Kenilworth Main Road Land Use Mgmt Policy	: City of Cape Town	2004
Klipfontein Corridor (Public & NMT infrastructure)	: City of Cape Town	2003
Stellenbosch Town GMS	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2004
Uniondale DMA IDP and SDF	: Garden Route Klein Karoo District Munic.	2002
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Golden Triangle	: Southern Metro Council (Gauteng)	1999
Klapmuts Structure Plan	: Stellenbosch Municipality	1998
Metro South East Plan	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1998
Metro Spatial Development Framework	: Specialist Consultant - CMC	1998
West Coast Tourism Report	: Department of Trade & Industry	1997
West Coast Road Alternatives	: Department of Trade & Industry	1997
Philippi Structure Plan	: Integrated Serviced Land Project	1995
Metropolitan Spatial Devt Framework	: City of Cape Town	1995

1.2 Urban Design

Dube City, (250,000m ² urban node New Durban Airport)	: Dube Trade Port	2009
Paarl Hamlet (40,000m ² precinct urban regeneration)	: TCN Netherlands	2008
WPCA 'B' Field Redevelopment	: TCI	current
NY1 Phase 2 Urban Node Upgrade	: City of Cape Town	2008
NY1 NMT Planning, Gugulethu	: City of Cape Town	2007
Delft 7-9	: Cape Town City Council	2006
Delft North	: Cape Town City Council	
Cloeteville Terraces	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2003
Orlean Lounge	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2002
Jamestown Spatial Development and Urban Design Framework	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2002
Charel Uys Regeneration	: Blaauwberg Municipality	1999
Atlantis Town Regeneration Project	: Blaauwberg Municipality	1999
Klapmuts Etlinger Street	: Stellenbosch Municipality	1999
Klapmuts Village	: Stellenbosch Municipality	1998
Lamberts Bay Waterfront	: Dept. of Trade & Industry	1998
Lansdowne Road, Claremont	: Cape Town City Council	1992
Military Road, Steenberg	: Cape Town City Council	1991

1.3 Environmental Planning

Berg Water Project (SkuiRaam Dam)	: Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA)	current
False Bay Ecology Park (1387ha)	: Cape Town City Council : SPA	2002
MOSS Mapping Phase 1	: Cape Metropolitan Council	2000
MOSS Mapping Pilot Project	: Cape Metropolitan Council	2000
MOSS Mapping Metro Area	: Cape Metropolitan Council	2000
Driftsands Nature Reserve Feasibility Study (940ha)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1999
Nooiensefontein Vlei (3km)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1999
Klapmuts River (2 km)	: Stellenbosch Municipality	1998
Kuils River MOSS (30km)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1998
Khayelitsha Wetlands (7km)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1998
Moddergat Spruit (12km)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1997
Environmental Management for Sub-Saharan SEA : Olympic Bid 2004	: Olympic Bid Consortium	1997
African Cities - Cape Town Case Study	: The World Bank UNCHR (Habitat)	1995
Philippi Horticultural Area (3000ha)	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1995

1.4 Major Development Proposals

Cape Town International Airport (1mil m ²)	: Airports Company South Africa	2002
Longlands Farm and Villages	: Wooltru Properties	2000
Washington Square (10ha)	: Old Mutual Properties	1998
Villagers Office Park (12000m ²)	: Bridgeport	1997
Milnerton Industria (24ha)	: Colliers RMS	1995
Milnerton Mixed Use Node (6000m ²)	: Colliers RMS	1993

1.5 Housing

Imizamo Yethu Urban Village (1900 units)	: City of Cape Town	current
Crossroads (Boystown)	: Provincial Administration : Western Cape	ongoing

Nonqubela, Khayelitsha (1300 units)	: City of Cape Town	2007
Cloeteville Terraces (101 Units)	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2003
Jamestown Low Income Housing (436 units)	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2003
Orlean Lounge (132 units)	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2002
Weltevreden Park (800units)	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2001
Villiersdorp (±420 units)	: Villiersdorp Municipality	2000
Stellenbosch Low Income Housing	: Stellenbosch Municipality	2000
Luzuko Park (700 units)	: Faircape	2000
Metropolitan Council Strategy for Site Selection	: Cape Metropolitan Council	1997
Delft Town 4 (950 units)	: Provincial Administration : Western Cape	1995
Joe Slovo Park (1000 units)	: Marconi Beam Development Trust	1995
Phoenix Park (1400 units)	: Condev Cape	1995

2. ACADEMIC

2.1 Course Co-ordinator

Built Environment Support Program Training Course	: Provincial government: Western Cape/ University of Cape Town	2010, 2013
Urban Planning & Design : M Phil Housing, Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment	: University of Cape Town	1999, 1998, 1997
SAPOA PDP Course	: University of Cape Town	2005 to date

2.2 Occasional Lecturer

Department of Geography	: University of Cape Town
Department of Sociology	: University of Western Cape
Landscape Technology	: Cape Technikon
Department of Urban and Regional Planning	: University of Cape Town

3. PROFESSIONAL, ADVISORY AND COMMUNITY BODIES

- 3.1 South African Property Owners Association : Committee Member Western Cape
- 3.2 Planning Advisory Board: Provincial Government: Western Cape (2000 to date)
- 3.3 South African Council of Town and Regional Planners : Council Member (1998 – 2001)
- 3.4 Association of Consulting Town and Regional Planners, South Region : Chairperson (2000 – 2001)
- 3.5 St Cyprians Council : Chair : Propco, Member EXCO, Finco
- 3.6 East City Precinct Association Section 21 Company : Director
- 3.7 Development Action Group : Founder Member and Previous Director
- 3.8 Western Cape Property Developers Forum : Committee Member

4. AWARDS

- 4.1 Johnny Walker Celebrating Strides Award : Environment 2010
- 4.2 South African National Botanical Institute CAPE Conservation Award 2009
- 4.3 WESSA Western Cape Environmental Consultancy Award for the Western Cape Provincial Spatial Development Framework 2006
- 4.4 IAIA (SA) Premium Award Finalist for the Western Cape Provincial Spatial Development Framework 2006
- 4.5 Cape Institute for Architects : Urban Design Award for Delft Town 6 2006
- 4.6 Impumelelo Gold Award for Moddergatspruit Stormwater Canalisation 2002
- 4.7 Dubai International Award for Best Practices to Improve the Living Environment for Klapmuts Integrated Projects 2000
- 4.8 SAICE Award for most Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement in Community Based Projects for Moddergatspruit Stormwater Canalisation 2000
- 4.9 Murray & Roberts Des Baker National Student Award for Architecture 1999
- 4.10 Dean's Merit List Bachelor of Architectural Studies 1998
- 4.11 Hugh and Win Walker Scholarship 1984
- 4.12 Osmond Lange Bursary 1984
- 4.13 University of Cape Town Post-graduate Research 1984