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Plans for the
"Coca Cola" complex
logistics center to become
an employment, retail and
leisure hub





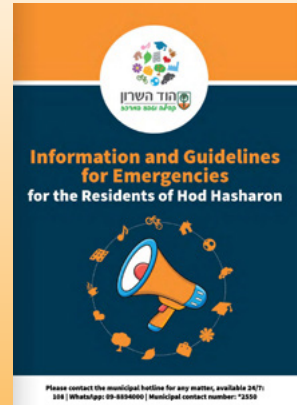
Security Update



In view of the current security situation, we would like to reassure residents that teams from the Hod HaSharon municipality are ready and prepared for any development.

Public shelters in the city have been open ever since October 7 and there has been no change in the Home Front Command instructions. We encourage all residents to go about their usual routines, and to stay informed.

Should there be any changes, we will immediately inform you through every channel at the municipality's disposal.



Have a quiet and safe weekend.



List of shelters



Emergency booklet

The security division launches an operation to locate undocumented workers

As part of the ongoing activity to ensure residents' security and enhance their sense of safety in the city, on Monday the municipal security division and the Israel Police carried out an operation to locate undocumented workers.

Teams from the division set up roadblocks from the morning hours in the Yarkon Junction area. Later, they carried out an inspection of a building site which had been the source of complaints from residents regarding night-time activity.

The inspection found seven undocumented workers, who were arrested and handed over to the police for further questioning. The contractor and foreman at the site were also taken for questioning on suspicion of employing and accommodating undocumented workers.

The municipality is working with all the relevant enforcement and security forces to ensure residents' security through a range of measures, including locating undocumented workers.

The municipal security department patrols the city 24 hours a day
conducts spot checks and visits construction sites to locate undocumented workers

Please contact the municipal hotline 24/7 with any concerns at

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Head of Hod HaSharon's local planning and construction committee, Mayor Amir Kochavi signed an order approving plans for the "Coca Cola" complex at the southern entrance to the city

Hod HaSharon Mayor Amir Kochavi signed an order approving plans for the "Coca Cola" complex in the city. This is a big step in the urban regeneration of the southern entrance to the city and in developing the Eco Park Neve Ne'eman industrial zone.

The plan will see the removal of the existing buildings of the logistics center, with a new urban hub in their place that will feature a central tower, three buildings with up to 12 floors and an additional building with six floors. In total, the complex will contain 58,717 m² of space for employment, retail and leisure, as well as 15,736 m² of public buildings and spaces.

The plans also include an expansion of the entrance to the Eco Park Neve Ne'eman industrial zone, a new city square, an expansion of HaHarash St. and conservation of the Qana Stream.

The municipality's working assumption is that projects of this nature will enable residents of the city to cut down their time spent commuting, with increased employment, retail and leisure opportunities within easy reach of home.

The planned public spaces in the project are expected to provide the municipality with a generous income stream for the municipal budget. This will enable the acceleration of municipal policy to improve services and reduce residents' tax burden.

The Eco Park Neve Ne'eman industrial zone is in the midst of extensive regeneration and new construction and is an appealing prospect for many companies seeking to escape the clogged roads of central Israel.

As we have mentioned before, the Hod HaSharon municipality is working to bring the metro to the industrial zone, and the

Ministry of Transportation has plans to connect it to the light rail. The municipality is also pushing ahead with plans to build a public transport terminus in the industrial zone, which will increase its accessibility throughout the day.

Hod HaSharon Mayor Amir Kochavi: "The decision to approve the plan is a moment in which the vision becomes reality. Development of the 'Coca Cola' complex will give the city a new gateway and provide a significant economic boost to efforts to make the Eco Park Neve Ne'eman industrial zone a leading economic hub in the Sharon region. This move will boost the local economy, add new jobs, shorten residents' commutes and improve their quality of life.

The plan is part of a broader move the municipality is pursuing to bolster the city's economic independence, by expanding employment and retail spaces whilst also creating quality public and mixed-use spaces. This creates income-producing assets for the municipality, ensuring it remains on sound footing for future generations."

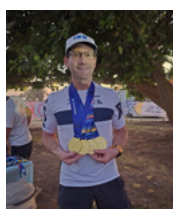




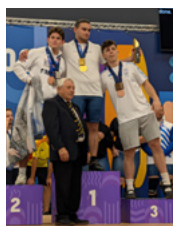
More success for our residents in the 2026 Maccabiah Games



Omri Shiff won gold in the 400m hurdles.



Noam Stein, who competed in the Maccabiah triathlon for ages 55-59, came first in three of the four competitions: Triathlon, half-marathon, and cycling time trial, as well as taking fourth place in the 3,000m open-water swim. This was enough for him to take first place overall in his category, giving him a total of four gold medals.



Guy Haber took the bronze medal in weightlifting after he successfully lifted 106 kg in the snatch and 126 kg in the clean and jerk.



Rotem Poran, who competed in the men's 50-54 age category, took the gold medal in the 1,500m freestyle, silver in the 200m and 400m freestyle and bronze in the 3,000m open-water competition.

Israeli Kabbalat Shabbat in Hod HaSharon

Last Friday, we celebrated the inaugural event of BINA – The Home of Israeli Judaism, with two community Kabbalat Shabbat events, one at Atidim Park and the other at HaShachar Park. It was wonderful and exciting to meet and welcome in the Shabbat together on the grass, with music and a joyful atmosphere.

BINA is a pluralistic and welcoming home for Israeli Judaism, and there are a range of other activities as well as Kabbalat Shabbat events planned throughout the city.



Atidim Park



HaShachar Park



Public transport update



Improving life for public transport users

Hod HaSharon municipality and Metropoline have worked together to provide additional services for **Line 249** that goes between Kfar Saba/Hod HaSharon and Tel Aviv.

The updated timetable will go into effect this Saturday evening (July 25).

To Tel Aviv, a new service has been added that will depart at 21:25

To Hod HaSharon from Tel Aviv, two new services have been added at 21:15 and 22:20

There will also be minor changes made to the rest of the schedule, so please make sure to check the transport apps or Metropoline's *5900 hotline before you travel.

Have a good trip!

22 medals and nine national champions for Ironi Hod HaSharon at the Israeli Youth Championships

"Ironi Hod HaSharon" swimming club came fifth overall at the summer 2026 Israeli Youth Championships, after its swimmers racked up a series of impressive achievements to end the competition with nine gold medals, 11 silver and two bronze, for a total of 22.

Twenty of those 22 medals came in individual competitions whilst the remaining two were awarded to the team in relay races.

The results were as follows:

Eden Prochenko took three gold medals (Girls U16 100m, 50m and 200m freestyle), one silver medal (800m freestyle) and two bronze medals in the 100m and 200m freestyle.

Rom Keinan was crowned national champion in the 400m, 200m and 800m freestyle, along with an additional silver medal, as well as gold and bronze medals in the relays.

Gal Golan took gold in the Girls U18 50m freestyle and bronze in the 100m freestyle.

Tamar Meirson took gold in the Girls U14 50m butterfly as well as silver medals in the U14 50m freestyle and Girls 50m butterfly.

Yarin Keinan added three silver medals in the 50m, 100m and 200m breaststroke.

Roni Ben Haim and Ella Morva rounded off the medal count with silver medals, Ben Haim in the U14 800m freestyle and Morva in the U16 50m butterfly.

The relay teams also excelled: **Moran Erez, Ariel De Beer, Rom Keinan and Daniel Karichevsky** took gold in the 4x200m freestyle and bronze in the 4x100m freestyle.

Congratulations to all the swimmers, coaches and professional staff for their impressive achievements and for representing Hod HaSharon at the pinnacle of Israeli swimming.



Over a thousand participants from Hod HaSharon in the Scouts Movement summer camp in the Tzipori Forest

The Scouts Movement's summer camp took place this week in the Tzipori Forest, with over a thousand young scouts, counsellors, parents and volunteers from the Hod HaSharon troops.

The Eitan, Ga'ash and Bar troops built impressive structures that demonstrated a high degree of planning, construction and organisation, not to mention internal coordination between the Hod HaSharon troops as well as with troops from elsewhere around the country. The whole event was a victory for the values of community, responsibility and camaraderie.

The camp also relied on the valued engagement of dozens of parents and volunteers who helped with the preparations and the activities, and who worked together to ensure the success of the event.



This is the time to sign up
to the teaching conversion program



Join the education system in Hod HaSharon

a home in which to grow



To watch the video



For more information

Hod HaSharon's youth represented Israel on a public diplomacy trip to Europe

Young boys and girls from Hod HaSharon, graduates of the Civil Advocacy Center's Teen Spirit program, last week participated in a special public diplomacy delegation to Budapest, capital of Hungary, as part of their prize for taking first place in the program's public diplomacy initiative contest.

The group won the award last year for their initiative, "Israel in Blocks", which involved them building a dedicated world in the popular video game, Minecraft, which enabled users from around the world to learn about Israel in an interactive way. Through the game, users could visit various historical sites in Israel, learn about the local culture and receive information about Israel and the situation in the Middle East in a way that is tailored for a young and international audience.

Last week, the group met with representatives of the local Jewish community and with students from the Lauder Javne Jewish Community School. In the meetings with age-group peers and local figures, they discussed Israel, the challenges facing Jewish communities in Europe and how young people can take an active role in the battle over public opinion. Members of the delegation also visited the Jewish Quarter and the Shoes on the Danube Bank memorial, where they learned about the history of Hungarian Jewry as well as the Jewish community in the country today.

The Civil Advocacy Center's Teen Spirit program was established to train a new generation of Israeli leaders in public diplomacy. As part of the program, the young participants learn debating strategies, content creation, social media and how to present Israel's story to different audiences. Following this, the participants develop their own, innovative public diplomacy initiatives for an international audience.



Mediation center in the Department of Welfare and Social Services

Last week, the municipality held a training session for the mediators at the municipal mediation center. The session was led by professor Moti Mironi, a lecturer in mediation of global renown, and was dedicated to the conflict resolution space.

The session was part of continuous professional development the Welfare Department runs to ensure its staff are up to date with the latest developments in the mediation sphere.

The mediation center exists for the benefit of the city's residents and can help with a wide range of issues including disputes between neighbours, family dynamics, senior citizens, businesses and more.

The service is provided for a symbolic fee | Contact us 09-8894532
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Free Public Transport

From Hod HaSharon to Tel Aviv and back

FRIDAY	
To Tel Aviv	17:00 To 00:30
To Hod Hasharon	17:00 To 01:30

SATURDAY	
To Tel Aviv	09:00 To 18:00
To Hod Hasharon	10:00 To 18:00



Infrastructure works in the city



Elevating the pedestrian crossings on Golda Meir St.

As part of the development plan for the area, two pedestrian crossings on Golda Meir St. have been elevated as part of traffic-calming measures and to ensure the crossings are clearly visible, for the safety of pedestrians.



Disabled parking spaces repainted across the city

The disabled parking spaces in Four Seasons Park's HaAguda car park have been repainted. In addition, the disabled parking spaces in HaShikmim St. (next to the branch of the Noar HaOved VeHaLomed) have been upgraded to accommodate tall vehicles with ramps.



Renovation of the dog park in Four Seasons Park

As part of work to renovate and upgrade the park, the old and dirty sand has been replaced with clean sea sand and an accessible path has been put in place that connects between the gates. The renovations also included new street furniture, shading, apparatus for the dogs, a new water fountain and wooden beams around the perimeter of the park to prevent sand from spilling out.





Infrastructure works in the city



Infrastructure works in the Meyasdim complex

The work will include new shading, playing apparatus and a new rubber carpet surface for residents.



Extensive renovations in the Egoz and Karkom kindergartens

The renovations include new plumbing, windows, a new layer of paint inside and outside, a new kitchen, bathroom and flooring



Karkom kindergartens



Egoz kindergartens

New play apparatus in the yard of Nitzanim School





A range of summer
activities and events

Check out our summer booklet



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Summer Events in Hod HaSharon

Smart consumerism for the whole family

This week, the "HaBe'er" Center hosted a family-friendly lecture by journalist Maayan Parti (N12) on financial education, smart consumerism and building healthy financial habits for parents and children.

As part of the session, the participants received practical tips to make informed decisions as consumers, understand the value of their money and develop healthy financial habits from a young age. The lecture included examples from daily life, an open discussion and simple tips for the family to implement.

The lecture was an initiative by the department for values-led and preventive education, together with the protection teams, as part of the municipality's efforts to encourage financial education, personal responsibility and smart decision-making among children, youth and families in the city.



Lecture on the importance of branding for large and small businesses alike, at the HubStair innovation community





Sustainability and Environment Committee



The sustainability and environmental awareness committee visited the Hadas Stream ahead of upcoming rehabilitation works

The Hod HaSharon municipality's committee on sustainability and environmental awareness, led by Deputy Mayor Ran Yakir, visited the Hadas Stream this week. The visit took place in the section where work is underway on the stream's rehabilitation, one of the city's most significant environmental projects.

The Hadas Stream is one of four streams that flows through Hod HaSharon's territory as part of the Yarkon River Basin. It passes through Plan 1202 lands, winds along the perimeter of Gil Amal and the fields of the nearby moshavim, before spilling into the Qana Stream behind the Sharonim shopping center. Like many streams in the area, it is a stormwater (intermittent) stream through which water flows primarily in winter. In the area of the wastewater treatment plant, treated water is also pumped into it as part of the "Geulat HaYarkon" ("Yarkon River Redemption") project.

The tour included representatives of the Yarkon Drainage and Streams Authority, the regional environmental protection unit, members of the committee and relevant

experts, who presented the different stages of the planned project – both immediate- and long-term.

The first stage in the project will include the construction of two pedestrian bridges to connect the Gil Amal employment hub and Mevo Kedem St. with the park that will be set up alongside the stream, as well as laying accessible paths, building leisure and seating areas, planting dozens of trees and restoring local flora in place of invasive species.

The cost of the first stage of the project is estimated at five million NIS, to be funded by the Open Spaces Foundation (three million NIS), the Yarkon Drainage and Streams Authority (500,000 NIS) and Hod HaSharon's development funds (1.5 million NIS).

Work is already underway to clear invasive plant species, whilst calls to tender have been issued for the works to be carried out. Upon completion of the project, a section of the Hadas Stream is expected to become a new urban nature spot, offering residents a quality space for walks and leisure.



To join the WhatsApp group for updates on sustainability and environmental awareness





Summer Events in Hod HaSharon

This week, the Travelling Play Space came to Garden 1200, with giant floor games, sporting activities, and juggling and crafts workshops



**Outdoor cinema – “Super Charlie” on a giant screen for young children and the whole family at HaShachar Park.
We’ll see you at the next screening: Tom & Jerry – on Monday, August 10 at 19:30 at Magdiel Park**





Summer Events in Hod HaSharon

World Cup final screening at the Ecological Park



Hair-styling workshop at the HaBarnash community center

creative and professional-led hair-styling workshop at the HaBarnash community center, with hands-on practice with dolls' heads.A



Multi-generation pottery workshop





Summer Events in Hod HaSharon

Preparing today to be ready for tomorrow

This week the "HaBe'er" Center hosted a lecture for parents and families of people with disabilities on the subject of guardianship.

Attorney Eran Hod offered practical information on the available options and tools to assist in making decisions and planning ahead. The talk was part of a range of services and activities run by "Keshet – A Home for Special Families" in the Department of Welfare and Social Services.



A voyage into space

On Tuesday, we headed out for a voyage among the stars and the planets, with a mobile planetarium show with four performances.

Under a giant curved canopy, viewers were wowed by a breathtaking three-dimensional rendering of the night sky, and an experience that felt like a small leap into space. The library was full of curiosity, excitement and eyes fixed firmly upwards.





Summer Events in Hod HaSharon

Summer moments

A workshop and inter-generational activity for children with their grandparents, this time dedicated to cement art. The creative activity took place at the Interdisciplinary Arts Center and was a wonderful experience for all involved.



Multi-generation pottery workshop





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