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UnCommon Sense

By Rose Scott

To Own or Not to Own, that is the Question

Property ownership is often presented as a goal that every person who is successful will achieve sooner or later. It is promoted as the pinnacle in the life of those who work hard enough to afford the privi-



lege.

The truth is that often those who are not able to qualify for a bond have no choice but to rent and in fact in many instances the rental due is the same or less than a bond, particularly if they have rented a property for a long period of time and the rental increases each year.

Property ownership may also not always be the best option due to circumstances. In the event of a bond becoming unaffordable with interest rate hikes and cost of living increase, then selling the property is a better option than waiting for the bank to foreclose. Another scenario arises when a property requires considerable maintenance or upkeep, again it may make sense to sell the property. Bear in mind that a property that is not maintained loses market value as the state of the property deteriorates.

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Property ownership may still be the gold standard of society, but there are always pros and cons. Naturally the biggest benefit is that once the bond is repaid the property is a great asset that appreciated with time, and in the duration of your bond agreement the property is likely to appreciate so that a sale is likely to result in a profit.

At the end of the day whether to buy or not to buy remains a personal choice. If you have questions about which option is most suitable to you, you are welcome to email me rose.scott@century21.co.za

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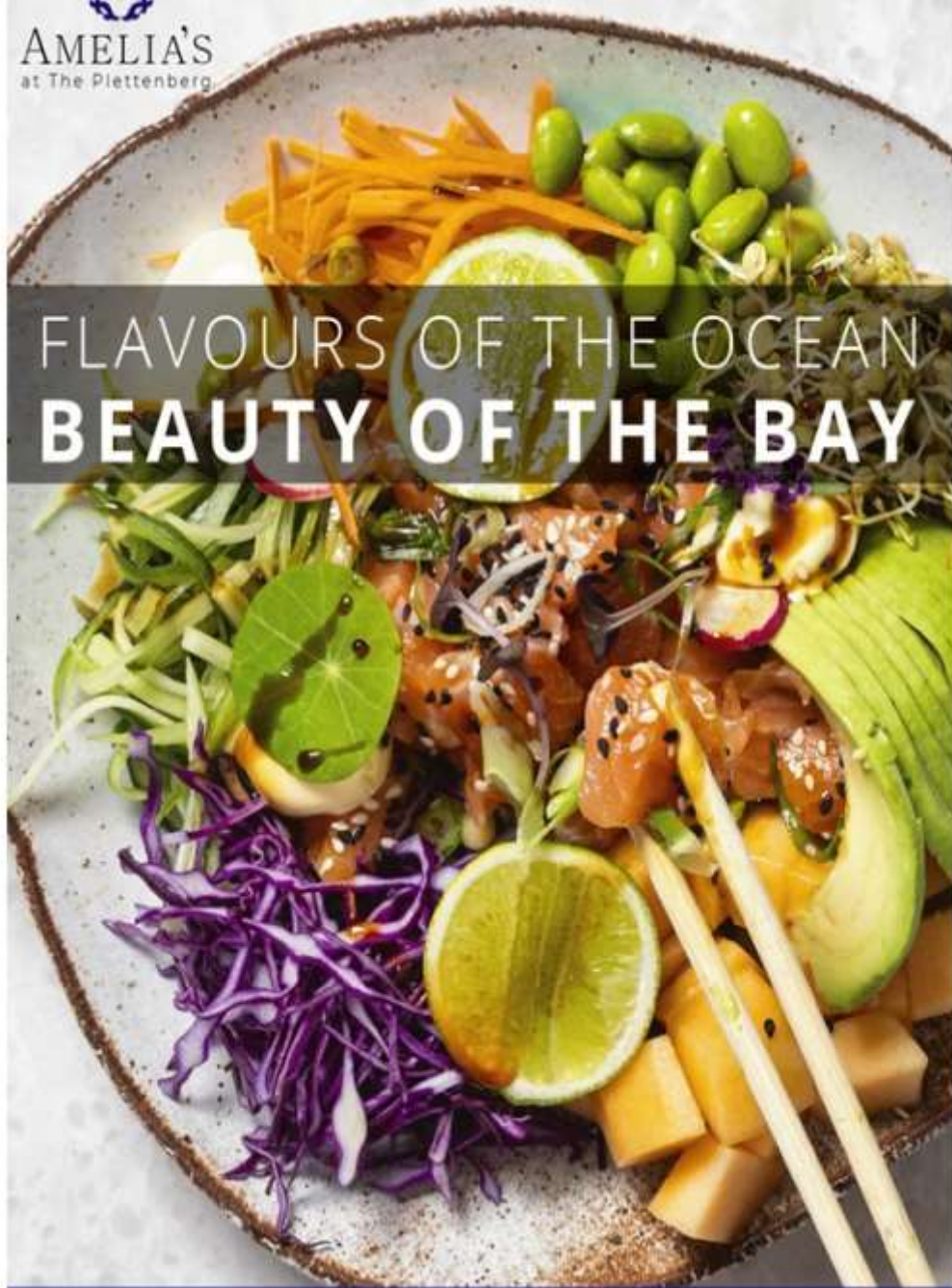
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Paul uses language that clearly implies this; 'Straining towards and pressing on'. Let's do just that! Making time for God's word to permeate your life and living prayerfully. For you, my fellow brother and sister in Christ, may I encourage you, and say on the authority of God's word; The best is still to Come. With much Christian love. Anton van Stombroek

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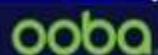
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However, when Covid came, the building was abandoned and became derelict. Squatters there were recently removed by the municipality, but they [the municipality] have no plans to revive the building and are happy for the Parish of Formosa to take the initiative to bring the building back into use.

We, the Parish of Formosa, have decided that the best way forward is to request proposals for on how to rehabilitate the building so that it can be used to create a sustainable business and provide training, employment and upliftment to the people of St Michael's church and Kurland village.

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Notice is hereby given in terms of section 45 of the Bitou Municipality Land Use Planning By-Law of 2015 that the applicant has submitted a land use application to Bitou Municipality. The details of the application are as follows:

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF APPLICATION	APPLICANT DETAILS
PORTION 6 OF FARM REDFORD No. 232	Consent Use for an additional dwelling unit and Departure from Zoning Scheme Conditions (Building lines)	BEACON SURVEY

A copy of the application and full supporting documentation is available for viewing on the Municipal website. Enquiries regarding the application may also be directed to the Municipal Land Use Management official Olwethu Yonke at 044 501 3317 or at townplanning@plett.gov.za.

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ERF 12541 PLETTENBERG BAY	SUBDIVISION INTO TWO PORTIONS OF APPROXIMATELY 1,187m ² AND 1,184m ²	Shaun McMillan Land Surveyors 8 Greenpoint Avenue Plettenberg Bay 044 53303072

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