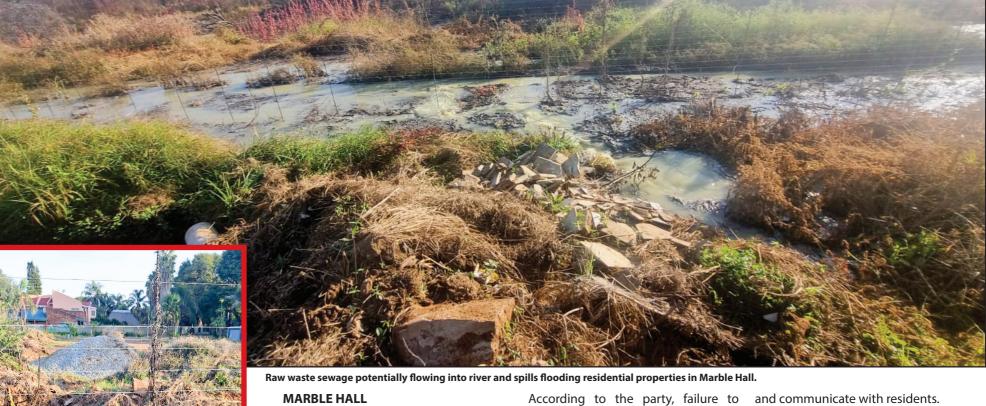




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SDM given 14 days to fix Marble Hall water and sanitation woes



he Democratic Alliance (DA) in Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) has given the Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) Executive Mayor, Cllr Minah Bahula and her administration a 14 days ultimatum to address the escalating water and sanitation crisis in Marble Hall. The issues, which were raised by DA plaguing Marble Hall include 29 hectares of farmland which they say it

is contaminated by raw sewage due to infrastructure collapse, residents hospitalised with E.coli infections sewage contamination, complete sewage treatment facility breakdown with raw waste potentially flowing into river systems, nonfunctional hydrants due to inadequate water pressure, a compromise emergency

services and persistent sewage spills flooding residential properties with no adequate

response.

Jacobs further criticised the SDM Executive Mayor and her team for ignoring formal requests, breaking commitments, and showing disrespect for rates and taxpavers. "The DA will not allow this injustice to

address these problems will prompt

the DA to request constitutional

interventions, citing the municipality's

stating: "The SDM Executive Mayor

and her team are living lavish lifestyles,

completely disconnected from the

desperate plight of residents. Marble Hall

ongoing for some time, with residents

facing life-threatening conditions due to

engagements from the DA, the

municipality has failed to act, leaving

residents exposed to severe public health

the municipality's neglect.

According to Jacobs, the crisis has been

"Despite multiple formal requests, documented proposals, and direct

DA Councillor in EPMLM, Flip Jacobs, expressed his outrage over the situation,

inability to deliver on its mandate.

deserves better."

risks," Jacobs said.

continue. We will request constitutional interventions if the municipality fails to address this crisis within the given timeframe," Jacobs warned.

Smalle stressed that the DA has called on the SDM Executive Mayor Bahula, and her administration to take immediate action to address the crisis

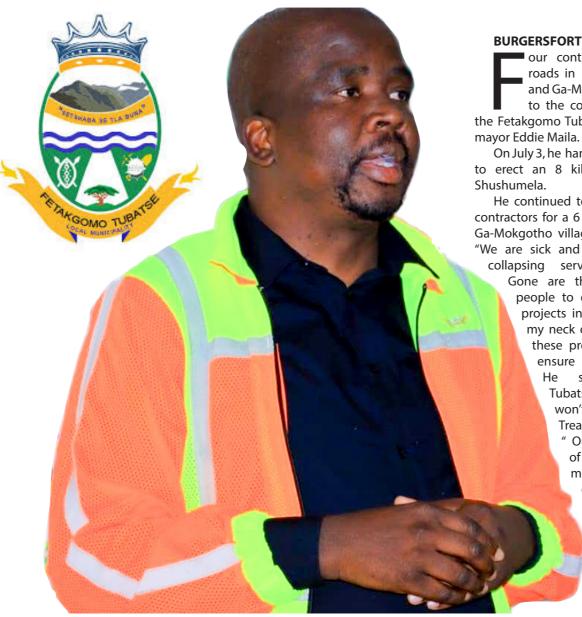
"The party's ultimatum expires in 14 days, after which further action will be taken. We will not stand idly by while residents suffer. Marble Hall deserves better, and we will fight for their rights," Jacobs concluded.

When approached for a response, Lemson Moropjane, SDM Spokesperson, said: "Regarding the recent sewage spillage in our area, the Municipality would like to clarify that a sewer blockage was reported and addressed some weeks ago. Although the pipeline was unblocked, some sewage did overflow into nearby farmland. Fortunately, we have not received any reports of infections. Moropjane indicated that the district municipality appointed a contractor to refurbish the treatment works. which will help alleviate the issue. However, he highlighted that the majority of the witnessed spillage is attributed to poor designs of storm-water controls linked to the sewage system. "We are currently engaging with municipalities to improve storm-water management," he said. Moropjane informed that another contributing factor to the overload on the system is the conversion of residential properties into rental properties, which exceeds the designed capacity. "This is a matter that requires local municipalities to properly manage property development," he said.

DA Councillor in EPMLM, Flip Jacobs, shortly before submitting the party's complaints at SDM offices in Groblersdal.

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Maila introduce contractors to erect access roads in Praktiseer and Ga- Mokgotho



Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality's mayor Eddie Maila during the introduction of the contractors at Ga-Mokgotho.



Two contractors for a 6 kilometre access road at Ga-Mokgotho village.



Fetakgomo Tubatse councilors.

our contractors to erect access

roads in Praktiseer (Shushumela) and Ga-Mokgotho were introduced to the communities last week by the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality's mayor Eddie Maila.

On July 3, he handed over two contractors to erect an 8 kilometre access road at Shushumela

He continued to introduce another two contractors for a 6 kilometre access road at Ga-Mokgotho village, (Ward 16) on July 4. "We are sick and tired about individuals collapsing service delivery projects.

Gone are the days we will allow

people to disrupt services delivery projects in our communities. I put my neck on the block, I will be in these projects day and night to ensure no one disrupts them." said the Fetakgomo Tubatse municipality won't return money to Treasury under his watch. Our municipality was one of those that returned money back to Department Treasury, without providing services, this is no longer happening, we spend 100% of money allocated to us on provision of services.

In fact, we will get

additional allocation ."
Maila assured residents that all the projects will be completed within a 12 months period.
"We don't do bermuda roads , all these projects will be completed. They will benefit economic activities such as schools, internal transport and apartments within our communities."

urged community He members to support all municipal projects. Maila said all locals must benefit during the erecting of the access roads. He urged females to also seize this opportunities and to benefit $as \, sub \, contractors. \, He \, said \, his \, of fice \, will \, ensure \,$ women are involved in all municipal projects. When introducing the contractors, Maila reminded them about their objective in the village. He warned them that the municipality is expecting quality projects that must be implemented within the stipulated time. "Contractors must ensure that the locals benefit in terms of employment and business opportunities through correct procedures." Maila applauded the tribal leaders (Moshate) for working closely with the municipality in order to provide services. "We cannot build a city, with bad roads, lets support all the projects to make Fetakgomo Tubatse a better place." The access roads projects at both Praktiseer and Ga -Mokgotho were scheduled to commence on July 7. The Praktiseer project will cost R 80 million while the Ga Mokgotho projects will cost R60 million. They will cost a combined total of R140 million.

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Ga Mokgotho community members.

Cash-In-Transit robbery attempt thwarted in Jane Furse



The Jane Furse Visible Policing members joined by the Sekhukhune District Task Team, arrested a suspect following a foiled cash-in-transit in Jane Furse.

JANE FURSE

The police in Jane Furse have arrested one suspect and recovered a getaway vehicle following a brazen cash-in-transit robbery attempt at Jane Furse Hardware on Tuesday 2 July 2025.

Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the suspects, armed with pistols, confronted security personnel at gunpoint and disarmed one guard who was carrying a cash

"A shootout ensued between the suspects and security guards, but the perpetrators failed to obtain any cash," he said.

Mashaba added that following the incident, the Burgersfort detectives, working alongside Jane Furse Visible Policing members and the Sekhukhune District Task Team, immediately launched an intelligence-driven operation.

"The coordinated response led investigators to Tshehlwaneng Village, where one suspect was successfully arrested and the getaway vehicle, a white Toyota Avanza with Limpopo registration plates, was recovered," explained Mashaba.

He said three suspects remain at large and the police appeal to the public to not approach them as they are considered armed and extremely dangerous.

"They are believed to have fled in a white Volkswagen Golf 6 with Gauteng registration plates. Police urge members of the public to exercise extreme caution if they encounter these suspects," alerted Mashaba.

He advised anyone with information that could assist in locating the outstanding suspects to contact the Crime Stop Number on 08600 10111, the nearest police station or make use the MySAPS App. Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, commended the police teams' swift response.

"The swift response by our integrated law enforcement teams demonstrates our commitment to combating violent crime and protecting our communities. We will not rest until all perpetrators are brought to justice," said Hadebe.



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Former Limpopo Premier Mathabatha undergoes traditional initiation rites at 68

GA-MPHAHLELE

In a surprising move, former Limpopo Premier and currently Deputy Minister of Land Reform and Rural Development, Stan Mathabatha, has joined hundreds of young men in the province to undergo traditional rites at an initiation school in the age of 68.

Mathabatha, who hails from Motetema Township outside Groblersdal in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), joined an initiation school in pursuit of traditional rites of passage into manhood.

According

to source

Mathabatha is among nearly 500 initiates at Tjiane Village in Ga-Mphahlele outside Lebowakgomo.

A source confirmed that Mathabatha arrived at the initiation school accompanied by a cadre of elders, including a head-man from the Bakgaga Baga Mphahlele Villages, who will provide guidance throughout the process.

Mathabatha's participation in the traditional initiation rites marks a symbolic gesture, reaffirming cultural identity and tradition.

As a veteran of the ANC's sources, military wing, Umkhonto We

Sizwe, Mathabatha joined the liberation struggle in 1977 and served as Premier of Limpopo from 2013 until June 2024, when he was succeeded by Dr Phophi Ramathuba.

Mathabatha follows in the footsteps of other ANC leaders who underwent initiation at older ages, including Fikile Mbalula, who went through initiation at 37 in Phillipi, Cape Town in 2008.

His participation marks a symbolic gesture, reaffirming cultural identity and tradition, even in high political ranks.



Former Limpopo Premier and current Deputy Minister of Land Reform and Rural Development, Stan Mathabatha, has joined hundreds of young men to undergo a passage to manhood at an initiation school in Tjiane Village, Ga-Mphahlele.

EPMLM appoints new Communications Manager



Life Nape was appointed as the new Communications Manager in EPMLM.

SAPS pleads for help in finding missing man

ROOSSENEKAL

The police appeal to members of the public for assistance in locating a missing person, Tau Mahlokoana (32), originally Bolobedu. from Mahlokoana was last seen Wednesday, June when he reportedly clocked off duty at approximately from his workplace at Bonamanzi Game Lodge. "He informed his colleagues that he was travelling home to Bolobedu and was expected to return to work on June 25," said Col Malesela Ledwaba, spokesperson the Limpopo SAPS. Concerns were raised when Mahlokoana failed to report for duty as scheduled. According to Ledwaba, a co-worker and close friend, upon returning from leave, enquired about his whereabouts and discovered that he had never arrived home and had not been seen or heard from since leaving work. A missing person case has been



Lucky Tau Mahlokoana (32) is missing. opened at Roossenekal SAPS, and the police are actively investigating the matter and following all available leads. The SAPS is urging anyone with information about Mahlokoana's whereabouts to come forward. Anyone with information is asked to contact Capt Mpusheng Makuwa on 082 565 7136, call Crime Stop on 08600 10111, use the My SAPS App, or report it at their nearest police station.

MARBLE HALL

The Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) has announced the appointment Mr Life Nape as their new Communications Manager, with the strategic appointment comes as the municipality continues to strengthen its communication and public relations efforts.

Nape brings a wealth of experience to his new role, having previously served as a Communications Learner at Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality (MLM).

He further honed his skills in the Office of the Chief Whip, where among others, he developed a deep understanding of municipal communication and public relations.

As the municipality's official spokesperson, Nape will play a critical role in ensuring that the public is informed about the municipality's activities, projects, and initiatives.

Nape's appointment is effective immediately, and he is expected to hit the ground running, working closely with various stakeholders to ensure that the municipality's communication efforts are enhanced.

The Sekhukhune Communicators Forum, through Lemson Moropjane, Head of Communications in the Office of the Executive Mayor, Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM), extended its congratulations to Nape on his appointment.

"We extend our heartfelt congratulations and wish him great success in his new role," he said.

NOTIFICATION ABOUT THE DECISION FOR GRANTING AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION FOR A PROSPECTING RIGHT

REF NO: LP30/5/1/1/2/15798PR

Notice:

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 4(2) of the National Environmental Management Act: Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation 362 enacted on 7 April 2017 as amended.

Tirhani Resources (Pty) Ltd has been granted with an Environmental Authorization for a prospecting right for Iron Ore, Vanadium Ore, Phosphate Ore, Chrome Ore, and Platinum Group Metals (PGM), and related Infrastructural activities on Portion 1, 11, 12, 15, 23, and 42 of the farm Elandsdrift 8 JS situated at Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality in the Sekhukhune District.

Project Description:

The proposed development entails the Prospecting right for for Iron Ore, Vanadium Ore, Phosphate Ore, Chrome Ore, and Platinum Group Metals (PGM), and related Infrastructural activities on Portion 1, 11, 12, 15, 23, and 42 of the farm Elandsdrift 8 JS situated at Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality in the Sekhukhune District. Activity 20 which include the Drilling of 16 Boreholes at 50M.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that an appeal may be lodge against the decision in terms of the National Appeal Regulations, if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision. Should you decide to appeal, you must comply with the National Appeal Regulation of 2014 in relation to notification of all registered interested and affected parties. A copy of the official appeal form can be obtained from the Department of Environmental Affairs and Shanatsi Geoscience Africa (Pty) Ltd within 21 days from the date of this notice.

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Limpopo VMMC Programme sees strong uptake

LIMPOPO

According to the Limpopo Department of Health, the Medical Voluntary Circumcision (VMMC) programme has made significant progress since its launch on 20 June 2025, with approximately 7 000 males undergone safe medical through circumcision programme, with over 700 being adolescents and young adults aged 15 years and above.

The VMMC programme is voluntary, safe, and free of charge, with all procedures performed by trained medical professionals in line with national health guidelines.

Limpopo Health Department Spokesperson, Percy Moagi, said the programme has seen strong uptake across various districts, with Vhembe leading the way with 1 608 procedures conducted, followed closely by Waterberg with 1 220, with Mopani and Sekhukhune also made notable progress, with just above a thousand procedures each, while Capricorn is just below 1 000.

"The top three performing sites are Dilokong District Hospital Sekhukhune,

Regional Hospital in Vhembe, and Thabaleshoba Community Health Center in Waterberg," informed

The programme is open to males aged 10 years and above, and ongoing community outreach efforts aim to ensure that even more eligible individuals can access these essential services.

"Over a hundred sites are open across the province, and interested members of the public are encouraged to register. For more information, members of the public can enquire at their nearest clinic or facility," continued Moagi.

He said the programme is set to encouraging a momentum in the province's efforts to strengthen HIV prevention and promote men's health.

"Notably, more than 700 of those circumcised are 15 years and above, signalling increased participation from adolescents and young adults," Moagi said.

Limpopo MEC for Health, Dieketseng Mashego, expressed satisfaction with programme's progress, commending the commitment healthcare workers and community mobilisers who are



MEC for Health in Limpopo, Dieketseng Mashego, says she is pleased with progress made since the launch of the province-wide VMMC.

driving awareness and access to VMMC services.

"We are pleased with the progress made so far. The number of men coming forward for circumcision demonstrates awareness acceptance of the health benefits associated with this important programme. We urge parents, guardians, and male adults who wish to take part in the programme to enquire and register at the facility closest to them," said MEC Mashego.

Burgersfort Regional Court hands-down hefty sentences for rapists



Seale Clement Malapane was sentenced to eight years in prison in connection with the rape of a 26-year-old woman at Bothashoek in Burgersfort.

PROPOSED CONSENT-USE IN TERMS OF SECTION 74 OF THE ELIAS MOTSOALEDI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY SPLUM BY-LAW, 2016

FOR A GUEST HOUSE ERF 380 OF THE TOWNSHIP GROBLERSDAL EXTENSION 5

GENERAL NOTICE

We, KMC Geomatics (Reg No. 2008/017997/21), the authorized agents of the registered owners of Erf 380 of the Groblersdal Extension 5 Township, hereby give notice that we have applied to the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality for Consent Use on the above-mentioned property, situated at 3 Martiens Bekker Street, Groblersdal Extension 5 in terms of Section 74 of the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality SPLUM by-law, 2016, more specifically to make provision for Guest House.

Particulars of the application will lie for inspection during normal office hours at the Town Planner of the Local Municipality, 22 Van Riebeeck St, Groblersdal, 0470, for a period of 30 days from 4 July 2025.

Contact details of the Authorised Municipal Employee: Mrs. P. Selepe: 013 262 3056/7/8

Objections to or representations in respect of the application must be lodged with or made to the above-mentioned address before 5 August 2025.

Any person who is unable to read or write can consult with any staff member during office hours and assistance will be provided to write down the person's objections or comments.

Address of authorised agent: KMC Geomatics, 10 Kruger Street, Groblersdal, 0470 Cell No 082 929 8554. admin@kmcgeo.co.za Ref. No.: 380GD

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AANSOEK VIR TOESTEMMINGSGEBRUIK IN TERME VAN ARTIKEL 74 VAN DIE ELIAS MOTSOALEDI PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT SPLUM BYWET, 2016 **VIR 'N GASTEHUIS OP ERF 380 GROBLERSDAL UITBREIDING 5**

Ons, KMC Geomatics (Reg No. 2008/017997/21), die gemagtigde agente van die geregistreerde eienaars van Erf 380 van Groblersdal Uitbreiding 5, gee hiermee kennis dat ons by die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit aansoek gedoen het vir die toestemmingsgebruik op die bogenoemde eiendom, geleë te Martiens Bekkerstraat 3, Groblersdal Uitbreiding 5, ingevolge Artikel 74 van die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit SPLUM bywet, 2016, meer spesifiek om voorsiening te maak vir 'n Gastehuis.

Besonderhede van die aansoek le ter insae gedurende gewone kantoorure by die Stadsbeplanner van die Plaaslike Munisipaliteit, Van Riebeeck St 22, Groblersdal, 0470, vir 'n tydperk van 30 dae vanaf 4 Julie 2025.

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DRIEKOP

The Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, has welcomed the sentencing of two rapists to life imprisonment and eight years imprisonment, respectively, by the Burgersfort Regional Court.

This is after the Burgersfort Regional Court has on Wednesday 2 July 2025 handed down three life terms against a 37-year-old man, for raping a 9-year-old boy repeatedly between 6 and 8 November 2020, at Driekop outside Burgersfort.

According to Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, the accused, who cannot be named to protect the identity of the victim and also a neighbour of the victim, used a cellphone to lure the boy to his house, where he molested and threatened

"During the trial, the court heard that the accused sent the boy to the local spaza shop to buy some cigarettes. Upon his returned he called him into his house to play music to him since he was an artist. When the boy was at the accused's house, he molested him and thereafter threatened to kill the victim. He then gave the boy a cellphone instructing him to set a reminder so that he could come to his home daily when the alarm goes on. The minor child complied, and he was raped for three consecutive days," explained Mashaba.

He said the victim decided to report the incident to his mother, and a case of rape was registered against the accused.

"His bail was successfully opposed until he was convicted and ultimately sentenced to three life imprisonment for 3 counts of rape. The court ordered that two of the life imprisonment terms would run concurrently with the first term," Mashaba said.

added Mashaba in a separate incident, the Burgersfort Regional Court has sentenced the accused, Seale Clement Malapane, 37-years of age, to eight years imprisonment for raping a 26-year-old woman on 4 September 2022 at Burgersfort.

"The female hitchhiked a white VW Polo driven by the accused, traveling to Bothashoek in Burgersfort Policing area. While on the way, the driver suddenly deviated to a road going to Lydenburg direction. He stopped in the bushes, threatened the victim, and raped her, thereafter left her in the bushes. She managed to get to the nearest police station at Burgersfort, where she opened a case," informed Mashaba.

He said both cases were assigned to Sergeant Letsatsi Mojalefa of Burgersfort Family Violence, Child Protection, and Sexual Offenses Unit whose meticulous investigations contributed commendable results.

Welcoming the sentences, Lieutenant General Hadebe said: "We appreciate the meticulous investigations displayed by our investigating officer, which resulted in the commendable results of three life imprisonment and eight years against these rapists. We cannot rub-off the ordeal, but we want to believe that justice has been served to the victims and their families."

Manhunt underway after firearms stolen at a farm in Burgersfort

BURGERSFORT

The Police in Burgersfort have launched a massive manhunt for five suspects involved in a brazen farm robbery in the Burgersfort area after firearms and ammunition were stolen during a farm robbery on Sunday 6 July 2025, at approximately 09:30.

Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said according to reports, a farm employee was overpowered by the suspects, who stole four firearms, multiple rounds of ammunition, and other valuables.

"The suspects, believed to be three foreign nationals and two South African citizens, used the victim's vehicle to flee the scene. The vehicle was later found abandoned and damaged on the property, while the stolen safe was recovered nearby, forcefully opened to gain access to its contents," explained Mashaba. .

Mashaba said the police are working tirelessly to track down the suspects and bring them to justice, while urging the community to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the authorities.

"The police are urging members of the public who may have any information that can assist in the investigation to come forward. They may contact Lieutenant Colonel Evans

Makgopa on 082 855 0117, or the Crime Stop Number on 08600 10111. Alternatively, information can be reported using the MySAPS App or at the nearest police station," he said.

Limpopo Provincial Police Commissioner, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, has ordered the immediate mobilisation of a dedicated task team to track down the suspects and recover the stolen firearms.

"The illegal possession of firearms by criminals remains a major threat to public safety. We will not rest until these dangerous individuals are apprehended and the stolen weapons recovered," said Hadebe.



Limpopo Provincial Police Commissioner, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, has ordered a dedicated task team to investigate and track down suspects involved in the robbery of firearms and ammunition at a farm in Burgersfort

DA calls for regular water testing in Limpopo schools



The DA in Limpopo is urging the Education Department to regularly conduct water testing in schools following a shocking contamination discovery made by Water-CAN in a recent School Water Quality Testing Project.

LIMPOPO

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Limpopo is urging the province's Education MEC, Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya, to implement regular water testing in schools to ensure the safety of drinking water for learners. According to the party, this call comes after a recent School Water Quality Testing Project by WaterCAN, which revealed alarming statistics about the safety of water in South African schools.

The project found that 43% of water samples tested were unsafe for human consumption, with 23% of taps, 73% of water tanks, and 66% of river sources showing contamination. According to Jacques Smalle, DA Limpopo Spokesperson on Education, the department should collaborate with municipalities to ensure the water infrastructure is well maintained and learners consistently receive clean water.

"Limpopo has experienced issues with water quality in schools, including a bilharzia

outbreak last year that affected many learners. We are concerned because the recent key findings of the School Water Quality Testing Project revealed that 43% of water samples tested were unsafe for human consumption, 23% of taps showed contamination, 73% of water tanks showed bacterial contamination and 66% of river sources showed bacterial contamination," he said.

Smalle emphasized that regular monitoring of water quality is crucial to creating a safe learning environment where learners can thrive academically.

"The DA will continue to monitor progress on this issue, committed to ensuring learners in Limpopo receive their education in a safe and dignified environment. The DA's call for regular water testing in Limpopo schools aims to prioritize the health and wellbeing of learners, ensuring they have access to clean drinking water and a safe learning environment," he said.



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NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE MEETINGS (MPAC) TO BE HELD IN THE2025/2026 FINANCIAL YEAR

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 160 (7) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) meetings of Nkangala District Municipality for the 2025/2026 financial year will be held as follows:

DATE	TIME	
05 AUGUST 2025	10h00	
06 NOVEMBER 2025	10h00	
05 MARCH 2026	10h00	
14 MAY 2026	10h00	

Kindly note that the above MPAC meetings are open to the public in terms of Section 160 (7) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, and will be held at Nkangala District Municipality Building, Committee Room

B25, Ground Floor, 2A Walter Sisulu Street, Middelburg, Mpumalanga.

Enquiries on the above notice can be referred to the MPAC Researcher, Mr. HL Phala at: 013 249 2120 or email at: phalahl@nkangaladm.gov.za.



M.L MAHLANGU - ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER, NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

FORM 8

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENCE IN TERMS OF SECTION 28(1) (C) $Limpopo\ Liquor\ Act, 2009\ (Act\ No.\ 5\ of\ 2009)$

Regulation 8

I, the undersigned applicant hereby give notice in terms of S28(1)(c) that an application for liquor licence will be lodged with the Capricorn District Local Liquor Authority.

In terms of S28(1) (b) of the Act, you may lodge an objection to the application.

The objection form is obtainable from the above -mentioned Liquor Local Authority. Objections must be submitted to the aforesaid Local Liquor Authority within 21 days from the date of lodgement of the application.

- 1. Full names of Applicant: Matemane Pleasure Mmetse
- 2. Intended Trading name: Napogadi Liquor Restaurant
- 3. Identity number of applicant: **890127 5855 089**
- 4.1. Full address and Location of the premises: Stand no. 20181 Seokodibeng village, Farm:

Praktiseer no. 113 KT, Sekhukhune.

4.2. Global positioning system(GPS) coordinates of the property where the retail operations are to be carried out.

LATITUDE: degrees, minutes, seconds

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LONGITUDE												
LONGITUDE: degrees, minutes, seconds												
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- 5. Type of licence applied for: On consumption -Food provision
- 6. List of Schools, places of worship etc. within a radius of 500m from the premises listed in paragraph 4.

School: None

Place of Worship: None

Public Transport Facility: None

Buildings where the public have access to public services: None

Filling Station: None

Our Services

Building Construction
Roofing
Electrical Services
Plumbing Services
Ceiling & Tiling
Pastering

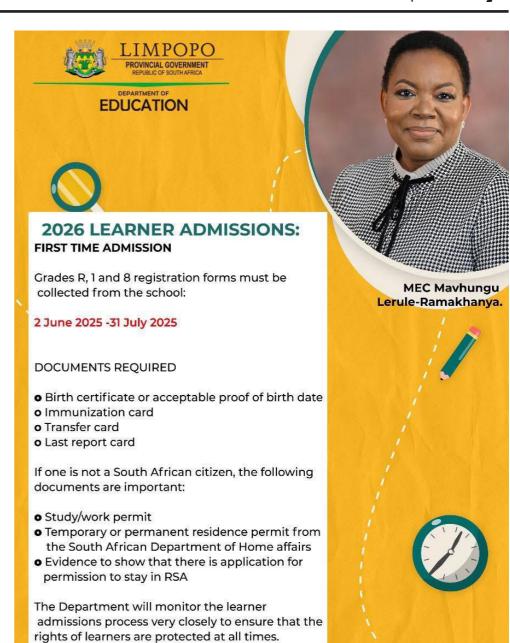














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RECRUITMENT SCAM ALERT

The Municipality has taken note of the unfortunate recent scam in relation to recently advertised General Worker positions, where it is purported that an employee of the Municipality is calling applicants and advising them that they will be appointed in exchange for R 5 000.00, and that interviews are not necessarily applicable.

The applicable number in use that has to our attention is 079 954 9917.

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We therefore distance ourselves from this, for we do not communicate to our job seekers in that manner. As a public institution, we will never request money from any jobseeker in exchange of employment.

We are urging our communities not to fall victim to such scams through noting the following:

- 1. The Municipality urges job seekers to respond to job advertisements that are on our official logo that have been placed on the National Newspaper(s), Official Notice Boards, Official Social Media Pages, and the Municipal Website.
- 2. The Municipality will only communicate to prospective candidates through our official telephone number (013 986 9100) or email with our domain name and a clear signature at the bottom detailing the name of the person, position title and contact details of the sender

The Municipality prides itself in ensuring full compliance with applicable legislation when it comes to matters related to recruitment, or any other matter thereof.

PS: To date, this is the sixth recruitment scam that we have noted, and it might not be the last. Let us continue to exercise extreme vigilance and report such incidents to the South African Police Service.

Our Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Hotline is 0800 014 816.

Mr. D.J.D. Mahlangu Municipal Manager Thembisile Hani Local Municipality 02 July 2025

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INSIDE

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SA's legendary teams clash in epic football tournament



Mamelodi Sundowns Legends squad was defeated 3-0 by Orlando Pirates in the final game



KAMMELRIVIER

The Kameelrivier Stadium outside Siyabuswa has played host to the highly anticipated Top 4 Legends Soccer Tournament, presented by the Zwecus Foundation.

The tournament, which was played on Saturday 5 July 2025, brought together four legendary teams, including Kaizer Chiefs Legends FC, Orlando Pirates Legends FC, Mamelodi Sundowns Legends FC and Kwandebele Legends FC, comprising iconic former players and football greats, for an unforgettable display of skill, passion, and sportsmanship.

According to organisers, the

the legacy of the beautiful game, providing a platform for football legends to revive their glory days on the pitch.

During the sporting event, fans were treated to thrilling matches, nostalgic moments, and a vibrant community spirit, making the event an unforgettable experience.

The matches were played in a friendly yet competitive atmosphere, with each team giving their all to emerge victorious. The players' passion and dedication to the sport were evident in every tackle, goal, and celebration.

The tournament's format

tournament was a celebration of allowed for a round-robin stage, where each team played the others in a bid to make it to the

> The top two teams then faced off in the final match, with Orlando Pirates Legends emerging victorious against Mamelodi Sundowns Legends, showcasing their skill and teamwork.

> The Pirates' outstanding performance earned them a well-deserved 3-0 victory over Mamelodi Sundowns Legends.

> Medals were awarded to players in recognition of their hard work, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.





Supporters from different parts of the country came in numbers to support their teams during the highly anticipated Top 4 Legends Soccer Tournament, organised at Kameelrivier Stadium outside Siyabuswa.

Babina Noko bids farewell to two more players

SEKHUKHUNE

After announcing departure of eight players in the past few days, Sekhukhune United FC has confirmed that they will be parting ways with two more players, Katlego Mkhabela and Pogiso Mahlangu, who both have made significant contributions to the team's success. Katlego Mkhabela, who joined the team on 8 July 2022, has announced his departure from Babina Noko. During his time with the team, Mkhabela demonstrated his commitment and adaptability on the pitch, providing defensive strength and unwavering dedication.

The Babina Noko family expressed their appreciation for Katlego's hard work and contribution to the team, wishing him all the best in his future endeavours. Pogiso Mahlangu, who has been with the team since 1 July 2021, is also leaving Babina Noko. During his tenure, Mahlangu played a crucial role in the team's success, including



Katlego Mkhabela has announced he is leaving Sekhukhune United FC after joining the team on 8 July 2022 and contributed immensely to its success.

a Nedbank Cup final appearance and a continental stage berth.

In a statement, Babina Noko family thanked Pogiso for his service, fight, and loyalty, wishing him all the best for the future.

The Babina Noko family gratitude expressed their and respect for both players, acknowledging their dedication and hard work.

"The team wishes Mkhabela Mahlangu nothing but success in their future endeavours, thanking them for their contributions to the Babina Noko family," the club said.