

## **Media Alert**

**Tuesday 06 August 2013**

### **MEC Maloyi handed over level two accreditation to Rustenburg Municipality**

The Department of Human Settlements Public Safety and Liaison MEC Nono Maloyi handed over the level one and two accreditation certificate to the Rustenburg Mayor Mpho Khunou Tuesday. The Accreditations will allow the Rustenburg local municipality to take over some of the duties performed by the Department.

The Rustenburg Local Municipality has proved to have capacity to carry out the responsibility of beneficiary management, subsidy budget planning, allocation and priority programme management for level one accreditation.

Handing over the accreditation certificates MEC Nono Maloyi called on the Municipality to put more efforts in assisting to close the big gap and challenge of housing backlog in the province. "The accreditation means that the municipality will play a significant role in the delivery of houses in the province. We are handing over these functions after we have certified ourselves that the municipality has capacity and technical knowledge. We will further monitor your performance and give you proper support to sustain your capacity," said Maloyi.

The Municipality has also proved to have capacity and expertise in taking over the responsibility of managing housing construction programmes and ensure that technical quality is adhered to, which are the requirements for qualifying for level two accreditation.

Receiving the accreditation certificates Rustenburg Mayor Mpho Khunou made a committed that his municipality will perform beyond expectations in delivering houses. "We know that housing is a serious need in Rustenburg. The municipality will ensure that houses build are of quality and meet required standards. We are pleased to have been given a challenge that will keep us on our toes in ensuring housing delivery within this fast ever growing municipality in the country," said Khunou.

Municipalities are observed and assessed and will have to go through certain procedures before they can be accredited. The Rustenburg Municipality is the only municipality in the province that has been accredited level one and two. Late last year, the Tlokwe Local Municipality was handed over a certificate of level one accreditation.

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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

**Saturday 3 August 2013**

### **Three dies on provincial roads**

A male passenger died while a driver and another passenger survived with serious injuries in an accident that happened around 06H00 this morning on the road between Brits and Bokfontein this morning. According to police, the driver lost control and the bakkie rolled several times. The casualties were rushed to the nearest hospital.

Meanwhile Lichtenburg Police reported that two pedestrians were hit and killed by vehicles in two separate incidents in Colligney outside Lichtenburg yesterday. Two female victims were aged between 9 and 44. The first incident happened on Friday morning while the second happened in the evening. Police are investigating a case culpable homicide on all three incidents.

MEC for Human Settlements Public Safety and Liaison called on motorist to be extra careful and adhere to the rules of the road. MEC Maloyi further called on pedestrians to wear bright cloths, especially in the evening and adhere to pedestrian road safety tips.

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