

FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS UPDATE ON THE ISSUES RAISED BY MATJHABENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY N MOKHESI

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

 The overall budget for the Matjhabeng LM is R 173 067 120 (incl the)

• Sites (1300) R 71 395 522

Units(279)
 R 92 626 798

• Title Deeds (4692) R9 044 800

Accreditation Support (R 500 000) (2016/17)

ITEM RAISED	INTERVENTION	CURRENT STATUS
Sibanye Mine workers housing project	Sibanye provided specification /BOQ per unit for the Department to analyse and advice. The Department visited the Show Houses on Friday, 23rd June and arranged to show Sibnaye the Mil Vets Units in Kroonstad on Monday, 26th June 2017 to compare the two units and advise further on the affordable option.	CURRENT STATUS The officials from FSHS went to visit the show house as agreed. Cost for the unit, only quotes were received but not actual cost was provided. The houses appeared smaller that the normal BNG units that Department is building Sibanye still provide profiles of the beneficiaries to
		determine their affordability and to be subjected to
		searches for approval of FLISP where applicable.
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Allocation of sites should be completed by End of November 2017. priority should be beneficiaries in the waiting list.	Consultants have been appointed for the following areas: Mamahabane Ext 4; Phomolong Ext 5 & 6 Homestead Ext 25 Phokeng Ext 27 Kutlwanong Ext 13 (K10) Nyakallong Ext 5 Freedom Square Ext 26 Hani Park Ditjhokoleteng	All consultants were introduced to the Municipality and work is currently underway to produce the engineering designs as per agreed scope of work for this financial year; Inception reports were received for: Mamahabane; Homestead; Phokeng; Kutlwanong; Freedom Square Ditjhokoleteng and Hani Park

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Amkelo Project – Phomolong: Land Restitution	The Department to appoint a new contract to complete this project and will be introduced to the Municipality	Due to budgetary constraints, the project will only be completed in the new financial. An implementing agent is currently busy with structural assessment of the existing units
Appointment of contractor: Ventersburg Racial Integration	Consultant has been appointed for infrastructure designs 72 sites have been subdivided and the remainder of the sites are owned by private persons	Consultant introduced to the Municipality and work is currently underway to produce the engineering designs. This will be followed by the appointment of a contractor for the construction of water and sewer networks

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Incomplete RDP Houses	The Municipality to submit a list of affected beneficiaries of to the Department in order to subject these for further confirmation on HSS. Subsequently, the list of validated beneficiaries will be will be send back to the Municipality. These houses will be completed by an already appointed implementing agent.	The completion of these units will done in phases over two years. Department to provide areas that are being prioritized for this current financial year

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Hani Park Housing Project	The Department has appointed a consultant to rectify the reticulation in the area and was introduced to the Municipality on the 15th May 2017	Inception report has been receive by the Department is currently being analyzed for approval purposes.
	With regards to Quick Leap, his contract was terminated and took both the Provincial Department and the Municipality to court as 1st and 2nd responded respectively. He later withdraw the court proceedings.	On the matter with the contractor, department is awaiting the court outcome relating to RETENTION claimed by the contractor.

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Two-Roomed Houses	This falls within the Ministerial Directive as it seen not to contribute to new housing opportunities and the cost are too high.	Municipality to submit an audit of all outstanding houses in order to include in the Department's pipeline for future eradication.
	The Provincial Government has however committed to upgrading and completing these houses and annually makes a allocation earmarked for this process	Item to serve before Council in order to obtain a resolution on who funds the costs for demolishing the existing structures;

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Rental Stock	Matjhabeng needs to	Technical report on
Is there an agreed credit policy approved by	conduct an audit of all rental stock.	Masimong served before the Matjhabeng EXCO on Monday 11 th September
Council;	Where it is found that there	2017.
Tariffs should be approved by council;	are people who earn an income over the stipulated	Merriespruit allocation in
by Courien,	bracket, they should	terms of policy.
Municipality to investigate if these are included in the schedule of tarrifs	therefore pay according to the market related price.	The area has sufficient water supply and the Municipality has appointed
approved by council.	That Masimong and	a service provider to supply
	Merriespruit occupation report is re-visited to	the water to the tenants.
	produce an audit to serve	Maintenance: units within
	before the Portfolio committee HS – (NEXT	the municipality are still not on board in terms of
	TWO WEEKS)	providing the necessary services required.
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Rental Stock	G – Hostel The department has terminated the contractor who was appointed in the project.	In terms of the GBCC requires that you give the contractor 45 days to respond on the stock take taken on termination
Municipality to provide a summary of their rental stock backlog;	The same contractor has been liquidated	Once the process has been concluded, it will go out on tender to appoint a replacement contractor.
The Need Register training will be extended to Matjhabeng as having been earmarked for accreditation;		
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Rhedeerspark informal settlement	The Municipality conducted physical verification and confirmed illegal connections;	The power supply in the area remains a challenge
		Although the sewer is
	Mass meeting was held	sufficient, there are no
	on Thursday, 22nd June to	toilet structures (informal
	inform the community of	settlement);
	the audit exercise that is to	
	commence;	Beneficiaries construct pit
		latrines and some are
	Municipality will conduct physical	built on the man-holes
	verification and audit on Monday,	(risk of blocking the
	26th June to established the housing need register	existing sewer network)
		Municipality to assist with
	Municipal engineering unit has also conducted a	the water meters
	verification exercise to	Municipality to also look
	confirm capacity of the	at assisting with the
	infrastructure in the area;	provision of temporary
		toilets

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Meloding (Albany)	Both the Municipality and Department's District officials conducted beneficiary audit and	The report is available and will be distributed.
	verification	MM to be requested authorisation of overtime
	Most of the sites could however not be verified due non availability of occupants	so that the team works after hours and during weekends

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Burnt Houses	That the matter be thoroughly investigated, and be verified whether those people had benefited before and whether they are owners of the houses	officials on these sites to
Dilapidated Houses	Building Inspectors to go on site to investigate and take photos of those houses and make recommendations. That Cllr's to submit a list of all those houses to the	housed has been compiled and submitted in the office of the Mayor for further The report will be submitted to the
	Department.	Department for consideration

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People who received Material from Government for self –build	These beneficiaries appear on HSS as having benefited before and the system cannot change the information. The Municipality to conduct beneficiary audit and profiling and submit the report to the Department As system override is the prerogative of the Minister, the Department will make a submission to request approval for system override in order to allocate full subsidy to these beneficiaries and construct their houses	List was submitted and being subjected to HSS searches A detailed profiling will be conducted by both the Municipality and FSHS and this should be done in the next 14 days,
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Agri-village	FSHS to facilitate a meeting with the Department of Agriculture The challenger is more in WARD 24	HOD to discuss with the MEC, Mme Ntombela
Military Veterans Project	Meeting was held with all stakeholders and the appointed contractor.	 Work will commence in phases starting with Riebeeckstad. The project steering committee has been established; Approved beneficiary list has been provided to the Municipality and to date, 22 beneficiaries have been approved Beneficiaries are submitted via FSHS by SAMVA and thus not managed by the Municipality.

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Revitalization of mining towns project	A meeting was held between NDHS, FSHS and Matjhabeng on the 28 th August 2017 to clarify and respond to the ringfenced funding for Matjhabeng	Refer to summary slide in terms for funding allocated for mining towns: Department to extend an invitation to the NDHS to further clarify on the letter received regarding revitalization.		

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Accreditation support		Consultation with the Matjhabeng Municipality happened during the month of August where the process was explained again as well as the importance of Sector Plans.
		Matjhabeng will ensure their availability to meet with the HDA to discuss the final report
		Letters will be send through to request a meeting during 1 st week of October.

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Issuing of title deeds to respective beneficiaries	Task team to be established by the Municipality; so that by end of September all title deeds must have been handed over to the beneficiaries	• Action
Thandanani Investigations	Department conducted the corruption report with regards to housing allocations in the Thandanani. Department to share the report following the investigations.	The final report will be discussed with the MMC and the Mayo. Acting Director must ensure that notices of evictions are handed out before the end of the week (22 Sept 2017) and execution by the Legal Services Unit is essential.



THANK YOU