

## BLM CONSULTS FARMERS UNIONS ON DRAFT 2023/24 IDP/BUDGET

The Blouberg Local Municipality today, April 18, held a consultative meeting with farmers unions regarding the draft 2023/2024 Intergrated Development Plan -IDP/Budget at Ross Tom Saal in Alldays Town. IDP is a general plan for the municipality that gives an overall framework for development,co-ordinating the work of the municipality and other spheres of government in a coherent plan to improve the quality of life for all the people living in Blouberg Local Municipality.

Farmers raised issues of potholes on road D1468 and requested the municipal intervention on the matter. The unions further requested the municipality to consider coordinating more foras to listen to their challenges and made a call to the municipality to fastrack the appointment of senior managers to fastrack service delivery and the smooth running of the institution among other inputs.

The Acting Mayor, Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Economic Development and Planning, Cllr Dan Mosena indicated that the municipality has noted all the inputs and comments that are made.

The Speaker of Council, Councillor Blanco Boloka thanked the farmers for heeding the municipal call to attend the consultation meeting and have their say on the service delivery planning for the municipality.

Residents from cluster wards will, from next week, have their say on the draft plan. The municipality has already consulted traditional authorities, business sector among other stakeholders to solicit their comments and inputs on the draft planning and budget as required.

The Mayor, Her Worship, Cllr Maria Thamaga will, on May 30 presents the final IDP/Budget together with the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) and budget related policies for the implementation from July 1.



