

## MAYOR LAUNCHES MULTI-PURPOSE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ELECTRIFICATION PROJECTS

The Mayor of Blouberg Local Municipality, Her Worship Cllr Maria Thamaga on November 9 2022, handed over sites officially marking the construction of Avon Multi-Purpose Community Centre and the electrification of Alldays, Diepsloot and Lekgwara extensions.

The Mayor indicated that the municipality has heard the service delivery cries of the communities and the Council has approved the budget to attend to them.

In terms of electrification projects, the municipality is licensed to implement such. All areas of the Blouberg Local Municipality are electrified and the municipality is currently focusing on extensions.

" We (Blouberg Local) Municipality) have a license to electrify our communities.

Our communities shouldn't be afraid to have extensions as we are able to provide them with electricity. We are here today to launch "Lefifi O Kotsing" programme , to ensure that no community remains in the dark.

We heard our people, and we have realized that in some of our communities there is high rate of poverty and as the municipality we will work hard to ensure that poverty is eradicate in our communities through service delivery projects and creation of employment".

Alldays(19 units)and Diepsloot(20 units) extensions will be electrified under one project at a budget of 600 000, while Lekgwara extension project with 40 households will cost the municipality R800 000. The three projects are expected to be completed in 3months.

The long awaited Avon Multi-Purpose Community Centre which will comprise a community hall and offices among other items on scope of work will be constructed at a R5.9m budget and the construction will be carried out for a period of 6months.

Kgoshi Seakamela SA, has extended his appreciation to the Mayor, her Executive Committee(EXCO) and the entire Council of Blouberg for ensuring that the Avon MPCC project becomes a reality.

" We have worked with Mayor Thamaga since 2012, the decision that the Mayor undertaken to bring the Multi-Purpose Community Centre here, the agreement was part of the 2015/16 Intergrated Development Plan (IDP)/Budget.

We were then informed that the project couldn't be implemented due to budgetary constraints, however

we are happy that God has heard our prayers and brought His daughter(Mayor Thamaga) to move us from Egypt and to Canaan. She is here today to implement what we agreed upon. The Mayor also indicated that there will be another project, the electrification of Sewela Park. The Mayor wants to see this area with lights. We are still going to have more projects under in her leadership, let us continue to support and pray for her to continue doing good to us and the communities of Blouberg"

The projects will also provide a financial relief to those without income as a total of 40 jobs will be created as follows; Lekgwara 10, Diepsloot 5, Alldays 5 and 20 from Avon.

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