## **RESIDENTS OF SWEETHOME EXTENSION NOW HAVE ELECTRICITY**

The residents of Sweethome/Sebotlana extension have had joy of switching on electricity for the first time, thanks to the Municipality and ESKOM's focused programme to light out darkness everywhere as part of providing basic services to the Blouberg citizenry.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2014 residents of Sweethome and the surrounding gathered to celebrate the switching on of the electrification project. The old and young told stories aplenty about the good that electricity would bring into their lives such like operating small businesses that requires refrigeration among others.

Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Infrastructure Development Cllr Donald Ratladi said the municipality in partnership with ESKOM recently switched on electricity projects at Raweshi; Werden, Mosehleng, Thorpe, De Vrede and Ga- Makgato amongst others extensions.

Cllr Ratladi made a call to residents to report criminal activities such as cable theft in their areas. He advised residents to buy electricity and warned against tempering with electricity meter boxes (bridging) as offenders risk their electricity being disconnected and face a fine of R5000.00

The symbolic electricity switch-on took place at a destitute home of Pelma Mafala. The municipality also donated an electricity kettle, stove and iron to the family as a start up.

2014/2015 Financial year will see the residents of Arrie, Sias, Simpson, Grootpan, Berseba (Motadi), Gideon, Mongalo, Diepsloot, Silvermyn, Thalane, Indermark, Kobe, Madibeng, Sesalong, Bogna

Farm, Vergelegen, Ditatsu, Wegdraai, Machoana, Matoana, Lethaleng, Papegaai, Bergendaal, Ma moleka, Towerfontein and Bosehla join the residents of Sweethome in celebrations of the same cause