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BLOUBERG SUCCESFULLY HOSTS 10th ANNUAL WARD COMMITTEES'S FORUM

Ward Commitees' Councilors, Makgoshi, Community Development Workers, SANCO and other distinguished guests converged at Elephant Springs Hotel in Bela- Bela from September 14-16 2012 to celebrate a decade of participatory Democracy, the mother of all Blouberg Ward Committee's Conference.

Every year the municipality organizes a forum of this nature to among others afford ward committees an opportunity to interact with municipal leadership, pour out challenges they come across as foot soldiers between municipality and the community.

The event was officially opened by the Mayor Cllr Serite Sekgoloane who spoke more about the municipal Vision 2030 that of developing Blouberg municipality economically to improve the lives of its communities.

Today Blouberg Municipality is hailed champion of public participation throughout the country because of, amongst others, the effectiveness of our Ward committees System. Blouberg Municipality has always regarded its Ward committees as the important mobilizing agent for community action. The theme for this year's conference was 'A Dacade of Relentless Effort towards Quality Service Delivery through Participatory Democracy...the journey continues' this tenth anniversary Conference was filled with memories and reflection on successes and challenges of the past. Presentation on status of Ward Committees, Municipal Communication Strategy, Municipal Vision 2030 and Roles of Community Development Workers (CDW) were rendered during the forum

Giving message of Support on behalf of Makgosi, Kgosi Kibi indicated that the tribal authorities are ready to work with the municipality to insure that residents pay for services.

Ward Committees and Ward Councilors' hard work has not gone unnoticed. Ward 17 and Ward 10 has been awarded for their consistency in holding Ward Public and Ward Committees' meetings. Ward Committees' who have been serving since the inception of the municipality have also received tokens of appreciation for their long service at the Gala Event held on Saturday the 15th. Gospel star Peter Mabula had people dancing to his killer tracks all night long.

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