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Do you have any suggestions on how we can improve our communication with you? Or, do you perhaps have queries about any of our articles? Please contact Willy-John Gordon at wgordon@langeberg.gov.za

GOOD LUCK TO ALL MATRICULANTS



I would like to extend my heartfelt best wishes to all the matriculants in the Langeberg Municipal area as you embark on your matric exams. Your unwavering dedication and persistent efforts are truly commendable, and I have no doubt that your hard work will be reflected brilliantly in your answer scripts.

It's essential to acknowledge that education is the key to unlocking countless opportunities in the future job market. A strong educational foundation will not only empower you but also pave the way for a successful and fulfilling career.

As you step into the examination hall, carry with you the confidence that comes from knowing you have prepared to the best of your abilities. Believe in your capabilities, trust in your knowledge, and tackle each question with the conviction that you can overcome any challenge.

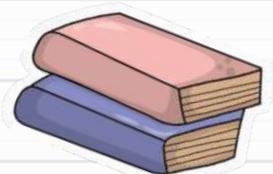
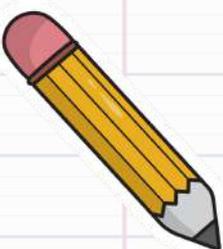
Remember, success is not just about the outcome but also the journey, the lessons learned, and the growth achieved along the way. Your determination and perseverance have brought you this far, and they will undoubtedly carry you through to even greater achievements.

Stay focused, stay calm, and give it your all. Your efforts will undoubtedly be rewarded. Here's to a bright and promising future that awaits you. Best of luck, matriculants!

Alderman SW van Eeden
Executive Mayor of Langeberg Municipality

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FLOOD RELIEF EFFORTS IN MCGREGOR



Langeberg Municipality, together with Gift of the Givers, Cape Winelands District Municipality, Capitec Bank, Disaster Management from the Western Cape Government, and Search and Rescue South Africa on their way to deliver parcels to McGregor.

Following the heavy rains on 24 - 26 September 2023, McGregor was faced with the aftermath, which included major flood damage and a collapsed section of the access road to Robertson. Due to flooding on alternative gravel roads, residents and visitors found themselves stuck in the town.

McGregor households also started reporting flooding, strong winds, and power outages to Langeberg Municipality's 24/7 call centre as the day progressed. Despite the challenges of the weather, our dedicated electrical team worked tirelessly to restore power promptly. Concern from McGregor residents arose that their food supplies were running low.

Disaster Management, together with key role players, was able to airdrop essential items for an estimated 80 people in the Takkup Farm area on 26 September 2023.

On 3 October 2023, Langeberg Municipality, together with Gift of the Givers, Capitec Bank, Disaster Management from the Western Cape Government, Cape Winelands District Municipality, the South African Police Service (SAPS), and Search and Rescue South Africa, to aid residents in McGregor.

Items such as food parcels, bottled water, and blankets were handed out to those in need in and around McGregor.



Pictures clockwise from top left: Gift of the Givers truck on its way to McGregor; Langeberg Municipality's firefighters loading the food parcels, bottled water, and blankets before distributing to in need in and around McGregor; Alderman van Eeden and McGregor's Councillor Oostendorff-Kraukamp ensuring the teams are prepared for the delivery of the parcels; Councillor Henn loading food parcels to be delivered to those in need.

The parcels could be delivered to McGregor via the Boesmansrivier route, a gravel-back road between McGregor and the R317 Stormsvlei that is now safe to use by all vehicles after holes were filled and sandbags packed. Municipal waste and sewerage removal services will now proceed as normal by using this road to access McGregor.

Ald S. Van Eeden, Executive Mayor of Langeberg Municipality, extends his sympathy to all those impacted by the storm's terrible destruction. "I want to express my gratitude to everyone who offered assistance during this difficult time. From the members of our community who have opened their homes to provide shelter to the tourist information centres, churches, the local South African Police Service,

neighbourhood watch, and other non-governmental organisations that have kept our communities safe and informed."

He continued, "Our council members and ward committee members, who offered feedback on the needs of the community, as well as our municipal administration staff, who made sure that service delivery continued as far as possible."

Van Eeden also highlighted the support received from District and Provincial Government, with mop-up operations and the current road infrastructure restoration. The collapsed Keisers River Bridge approach is currently under reconstruction and is estimated to reopen before the end of October 2023.

LANGEBERG WELCOMES NEW SENIOR MANAGER

*Mr. Marius Moelich,
Senior Manager: Administrative Support*



Langeberg Municipality extends a warm welcome to Mr. Marius Moelich, our new Senior Manager: Administrative Support, starting from 01 October 2023. In his role, Mr. Moelich will oversee the Administrative Support Department and report directly to Mr. Anton Everson, the Director of Corporate Services.

The Administrative Support Department includes property administration, the Thusong Service Centre, council administration, records and archives, municipal building maintenance teams, switchboard/receptionist functions, and procuring items for various municipal offices.

Mr. Moelich's duties also involve managing the department's finances, liaising with successful tenderers for tender and quotation processes, and coordinating with other departments for pool vehicles, photocopiers, fax machines, and telephone systems.

Mr. Moelich is a Stellenbosch University graduate with a Magister in Public Administration and an Advanced Diploma in Public Administration. He holds a National Diploma in Local Authority: Finance from RSA Technicon, as well as National Diplomas in Local Government: Finance and Local Government: Administration from the Institute of

Trade and Administration. He also possesses the Municipal Minimum Competency qualification (24 modules). As a member of IMASA (Institute for Municipal Administrators for Southern Africa), Mr. Moelich also chaired the Western Cape branch for six years.

He brings extensive experience to this role, boasting almost four decades in local government.

For the past 23 years, he has been an integral part of Cape Agulhas Municipality, serving as Manager of Admin Support Services for the past 15 years and previously as Manager of Corporate Services for 8 years.

His background further includes six years at the office of the Auditor General, 13 years as an accountant, and one year as a Deputy Town Clerk.

"We are confident that Mr. Moelich's strong work ethic and expertise will significantly enhance municipal systems and business processes, aligning us closer to our municipal goals. Once again, welcome to the team," said Municipal Manager of Langeberg Municipality, Mr. Daniel Lubbe.



UPGRADE OF ROADS IN LANGEBERG COMMENCE

The tender for the implementation of the Langeberg Municipal road asset management plan, valued at R 52 800 048.28 (inc. VAT), has commenced with the upgrade of the existing roads in Robertson, Ashton, Bonnievale, and Montagu.

The repair, reseal, and resurface project kicked off in Adderley Street, Robertson, on September 27, 2023. Langeberg Municipality is facing a huge road infrastructure maintenance backlog due to severe budget constraints.

Rainfall this past season has not only made it very difficult to fix roads, but the wet conditions also contribute to the further deterioration of the road surface.

The community of Langeberg will soon see great strides being made to address this backlog.

Although additional funding is required to address the total need, this project will definitely improve a number of roads.

We urge all road users to please be patient, as sections of the road will be closed or partially open while work is being completed, and traffic delays are to be expected. Drivers are asked to be careful when driving through construction zones and areas where people are working on or near the road.

The following roads will form part of the above project during the 2023–2024 financial years. The rehabilitation of these roads will ensure the extended life of the roads in our area.

It is important to note that not all roads identified will receive the same rehabilitation method. Some roads will only receive a slurry seal.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW ROAD THAT WILL BE UPGRADED](#)





POTHOLE REPAIR PROGRAMME SEPTEMBER 2023

Langeberg Municipality urges the community to log complaints of potholes, uneven road surfaces, damaged pavements and road signage to the 24/7 customer call centre.

- Call 0860 88 1111
- WhatsApp 065 211 7822
- E-mail info@langeberg.gov.za

Reported potholes will be added to the programme.

Roads with high volume of traffic are prioritised. All potholes reported will receive attention according to the programme.

The civil works team do their best to stay on schedule, but it is subject to the weather and other urgent matters that require the team's attention such as pipe bursts, stormwater issues and breakdowns among other things.

POTHOLE REPAIR PLAN - SEPTEMBER 2023

ASHTON

16-20 October 2023

- Majola Street
- Mafuya Street
- Zwedala Street
- Mantlana Street
- Nel Street

23-31 October 2023

- Loop Street
- Middel Street
- Station Way
- Eike Street
- Delphinium Avenue

BONNIEVALE

16-20 October 2023

- Olien Avenue
- Kanaal Street
- Akasia Avenue
- Buite Crescent

23-31 October 2023

- Kristal Aveue
- Barlinka Avenue
- Muskadel Avenue

MCGREGOR

16-20 October 2023

- Loop Street
- Barry Street

23-31 October 2023

- Keerom Street

MONTAGU

16-20 October 2023

- Wilhelm Thys Avenue
- Kohler Street
- Anderson Street

23-31 October 2023

- Eike Avenue
- Du Preez Street

ROBERTSON

16-20 October 2023

- Akker Avenue
- Bloekom Avenue
- Ficus Avenue
- Elm Avenue

23-31 October 2023

- Rosita Street
- Nerina Street
- Dahlia Street
- Heuwel Street
- Iris Street

**VIEW PROGRESS ON ALL IDENTIFIED
AND BUDGETED PROJECTS HERE**

CLICK HERE





MAYOR URGES RESIDENTS TO KEEP CHILDREN FROM DAMS AND RIVERS AFTER HEAVY RAINS

In a tragic incident on 3 September 2023, a three-year-old girl drowned at the Kingna River, close to Mandela Square in Ashbury, Montagu.

Alderman Schalk van Eeden, Executive Mayor of the Langeberg Municipality, expressed heartfelt condolences: "We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of the little three-year-old and offer them solace during this challenging period."

With the recent heavy rainfall experienced in the area, it's crucial to supervise children around water, even in seemingly shallow areas. Educate them about the risks and make sure they understand the importance of staying away from rivers and dams, especially during floods.

Despite the apparent risks, little ones are found venturing alone near the dangerous water bodies, a situation that has had devastating consequences.

Van Eeden said this incident serves as a heartbreaking reminder of the importance of constant vigilance and guardianship, particularly during times of natural disasters such as floods.

He continued, "I hereby call on parents, guardians, and members of the community to please keep a close eye on our children and prevent them from playing near rivers and dams after the heavy rains.

Rivers and dams may look harmless, but they hide unseen dangers such as debris."

According to Statistics South Africa, fatal drowning is the 5th leading cause of unintentional death in the country.

To keep your children safe in and near the water, follow these guidelines:

- Always make sure that your child is being supervised by a responsible adult while swimming or playing with or around water.
- Teach your kids to swim. Enrol children in age-appropriate swim lessons to help protect them from drowning.
- Learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and rescue techniques. Your CPR skills could save someone's life.
- Medical conditions such as epilepsy increase your risk of drowning. If your child has epilepsy or experiences seizures, make sure that they're always supervised.
- Always be prepared and know what to do in case of an emergency. Save all emergency numbers on your cellphone or nearby for easy access.

Van Eeden urges family and friends to educate kids about the dangers of dams and rivers: "Together, let's ensure no more young lives are lost to these perilous waters."



NEW FLEET FOR LANGEBERG TO BOOST SERVICE DELIVERY



Langeberg Municipality officially unveiled 43 service delivery vehicles worth over R17 800 000 million as per Tender 44/2022.

These vehicles was strategically assigned to key departments with the aim to enhance the municipality's efficiency and responsiveness to service delivery challenges.



The Engineering Directorate has acquired 25 vehicles to its fleet, which will be used in the departments of Electricity, Waste, Water and Sanitation, and Civil. This includes tipper trucks, a crane truck, a garbage removal vehicle, a sewerage truck, a forklift, a compactor, a wheel loader, a ride-on roller, and a walk behind roller.

The Traffic Department and Law Enforcement have been equipped with four cars and four bakkies to reinforce a critical need of public safety in the municipality. A 4x4 truck with Fire Accessories and a car were added to the Fire Department's fleet.



Additional 7 vehicles went towards the Community Services Directorate for use by the departments of Community Facilities, Parks and Amenities and Housing.

This is a significant investment toward increasing service delivery and we are confident that each employee will take extra care to maintain the vehicles that will serve our communities for many years to come.

IDP MEETINGS IN PROGRESS

Langeberg Municipality is currently reviewing its Integrated Development Plan (IDP) that focus on a strategic plan for the period of 5 years (2022 - 2027).

Langeberg Municipal Council has successfully completed 5 of the scheduled community meetings during its first two weeks of the IDP public engagement sessions.

The meetings created a platform where residents had the opportunity to come and provide their valuable inputs on how government can serve and improve their area. The meetings also cover the annual progress made towards the top IDP priorities that was identified in the past 2022-2023 Financial year.

It is important that residents get involved in the IDP process. The next community meetings will be hosted as per the schedule listed on the next page.

Apart from visiting a community meeting, residents can also provide their inputs towards the IDP in the following ways.

How to Participate

- Contact your ward councillor or committee members ([click here for contact information](#)).
- Stay informed through local news and the municipality's website.
- Message us on Langeberg Municipality's Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram
- Submit a contact form at www.langeberg.gov.za/contact-us
- Email us on idp@langeberg.gov.za
- Reply to any Langeberg SMS (R1.50 per SMS)

Deadline of 31 October 2023.



UNDERSTANDING THE IDP

The Integrated Development Plan (IDP) is a crucial process that shapes the future of Langeberg Municipality. The IDP is meant to serve as a blueprint for a municipality's development, and it must be aligned with both national and provincial development plans.

Before 1994, South African towns and cities were spatially and racially divided, with poor communities marginalised and great social and economic disparities. The IDP approach emphasizes developmental planning, focusing on the needs of the poor, and creating a more inclusive and fair future.

Participation in the IDP process is vital for several reasons:

- It identifies essential needs, ensuring effective use of available resources.
- Speeds up service delivery, especially in impoverished areas.
- Attracts additional funds and resources from other spheres of government.
- Strengthens democracy by involving citizens in decision-making.

The IDP Process Timeline

According to Section 25 of the Municipal Systems Act (MSA), each municipality, including Langeberg Municipality, must adopt a single, inclusive, and strategic plan known as the IDP, within a prescribed time after the start of its elected term.

Here's a summary of the timeline:

- August: The process plan and time schedule deadlines are set to draft the IDP and budget.
- September/October: Public engagements start on the IDP and Budget.
- November: Government and municipalities talk about policy priorities.
- December: Plans are reviewed and matched with priorities.
- January: Detailed budgets are prepared.
- February: Proposed budgets are discussed.
- March: Public engagements to present the draft Budget for comments.

- April: Community inputs are considered.
- May: Final plans are prepared.
- June: Plans are approved by Council.

Who Can Participate?

Everyone in the municipal area can participate. It's about finding sustainable solutions for long-term development and improvement of communities.

IDP Revision and Focus Areas

The IDP is updated after every election. Inputs cover various infrastructure to resource needs like healthcare, housing, economic development, education, safety, social development, tourism, transport, energy, roads, water, environmental and other basic service needs of residents. All ideas are considered by the relevant spheres of government, and the IDP further helps attract investors for development.

Implementing Submitted Inputs

There's a structured process to assess and prioritize submissions. The implementation timeframe depends on factors such as budget availability, project urgency, and legal regulations. Langeberg Municipality follows a structured process outlined in the Municipal Systems Act to assess, prioritize, and implement submitted inputs.

How to Participate

- Attend your ward's IDP Community Meeting (click here to see dates)
- Contact your ward councillor or committee members (click here for contact information)
- Stay informed through local news and the municipality's website.
- Message us on Langeberg Municipality's Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram
- Submit a contact form at www.langeberg.gov.za/contact-us
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**CLOSING DATE FOR PUBLIC INPUTS:
31 OCTOBER 2023**

SPEAK UP!

WHAT ARE THE NEEDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY?



PRAAT SAAM!

WAT IS DIE BEHOEFTE IN JOU GEMEENSAP?

TAKE PART IN YOUR COMMUNITY'S DEVELOPMENT

Provide your inputs to the future IDP and capital budget of the municipality. Submit your inputs on the infrastructure and service needs in your area.

The Integrated Development Plan (IDP) for 2024-2025

Langeberg Municipality is in the process of reviewing the IDP. This revised document will offer guidance on how the municipality will serve, develop and improve the Langeberg Municipal community.

We encourage you to participate actively in the affairs of the municipality, by providing us with your valuable inputs regarding the needs in your community.

RAAKDEEL VAN JOU GEMEENSAP SE ONTWIKKELING

Gee u insette tot die toekomstige GOP en kapitaalbegroting van die munisipaliteit. Spreek nodige infrastruktuur en diensbehoefte in area aan.

GOP: Geïntegreerde Ontwikkelings Plan vir 2024-2025

Langeberg Munisipaliteit is in die proses om die GOP te hersien. Hierdie hersiene dokument sal leiding gee oor hoe die munisipaliteit die Langeberg Munisipaliteit gemeenskap sal bedien, ontwikkel en verbeter.

Ons moedig u aan om aktief deel te neem aan die sake van die munisipaliteit, deur ons te laat weet wat die behoeftes in die gemeenskap is.

SPEAK TO YOUR WARD COMMITTEE MEMBER OR COUNCILLOR TO SUBMIT INPUTS ON YOUR BEHALF. PRAAT MET JOU WYKSKOMITEELID OF RAADSLID OM INSETTE NAMENS JOU IN TE DIEN.



WARD 1 & MAYCO
Cllr. C. Steyn (DA)



WARD 2
Cllr. L. Gxowa (ANC)



WARD 3
Cllr. P. Hess (DA)



WARD 4
Cllr. JJS January (ANC)



WARD 5
Cllr. MG Oostendorff-Kraukamp (DA)



WARD 6
Cllr. DB Janse (DA)



WARD 7 & MAYCO
Cllr. DAT Felix (DA)



WARD 8
Ald. SW Van Eeden (DA)



WARD 9
Cllr. Y. Siegel (DA)



WARD 10
Cllr. A. Ndongeni (ANC)



WARD 11 & MAYCO
Cllr. JCJ Coetzee (DA)



WARD 12
Cllr. CJ Pokwas (DA)



PR 1
Cllr. OC Simpson (ANC)



PR 2
Cllr. JS Mafilika (ANC)



PR 3
Cllr. LL Kahla (ANC)



PR 1
Cllr. LJ Prince (DA)



PR 1 & MAYCO
Cllr. JG Steenkamp (VF PLUS)



PR 2 & MAYCO
Cllr. RC Henn (VF PLUS)



PR 3
Cllr. TV Coetzee (VF PLUS)



PR 1
Cllr. CJ Grootboom (PDM)



PR 1
Cllr. D September (LIP)



PR 1
Cllr. M Gertse (GOOD)



PR 1
Cllr. SE Rensburg (PA)

CLICK HERE FOR YOUR WARD COMMITTEE MEMBER OR COUNCILLOR'S CONTACT DETAILS

KLIK HIER VIR JOU WYKSKOMITEELID OF RAADSLID SE KONTAK BESONDERHEDE

GIVE YOUR INPUTS AT YOUR NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING GEE JOU INSAE BY U VOLGENDE GEMEENSAP VERGADERING

Municipal officials will be available at the venues from 15:30 to receive inputs.

WARD/WYK	DATE/DATUM	TIME/TYD	VENUE/PLEK
Ward 1	23 October 2023	19:00	Town Hall , Robertson
Ward 2	24 October 2023	18:00	Nkqubela Community Hall, Robertson
Ward 3	19 October 2023	19:00	Civic Hall, Robertson
Ward 5	24 October 2023	19:00	Community Hall, McGregor
Ward 7	18 October 2023	19:00	Willem Thys (Civic) Hall, Montagu
Ward 8	16 October 2023	19:00	Chris Van Zyl Hall, Bonnievale
Ward 11	17 October 2023	19:00	Callie de Wet Hall, Robertson

**CLOSING DATE FOR INPUTS:
31 OCTOBER 2023**

SUBMIT YOUR INPUTS ON ANY OF THESE PLATFORMS STUUR JOU INSAE OP ENIGE VAN HIERDIE PLATFORMS



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**CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSION IS 31 OCTOBER 2023 AT 16H30. LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.
SLUITINGSDATUM VIR INSAE IS 31 OKTOBER 2023 OM 16H30. LAAT INDIENINGS SAL NIE OORWEEG WORD NIE.**



CONSTRUCTION OF NEW MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY

Project Status: MRF top structure and ablution- and lunchroom block nearing completion with and mechanical equipment being installed, construction on the bales structure and road paving underway.

Contractor: T37/2022 awarded to Hiload Inyanga Construction (Pty)Ltd

Value: R19 022 223.06 (vat inclusive)

Location: Ashton

Commencement date: 13 January 2023

Estimated completion date: 30 September 2023



UPGRADE WASTE WATER TREATMENT WORKS

Project Status: Construction work on inlet works, bio-reactor and clarifier are on programme. It is the intention of this department that 70% of MIG funding will be spent by December 2023.

Contractor: T41/2023 awarded to Hiload Inyanga Construction Company (Pty) Ltd.

Value: R100 124 052.65 (vat inclusive)

Location: Robertson

Commencement date: 18 January 2023

Estimated completion date: 20 October 2025



CONSTRUCTION REPAIRS TO HOFMEYER HALL

Project Status: Project finalised. Close-out report submitted to Western Cape Heritage on 31st August 2023. Retention period ends on 28th October 2023.

Contractor: Tender 61/2022 awarded to Batsini

Value: R 991 989.01 (vat inclusive)

Location: Montagu

Commencement date: 02 March 2023

Practical Completion: 30 June 2023

Latent defects liability period: 120 Days

Final Completion: 28 October 2023



CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FIRE STATION

Project Status: Superstructure 85% completed. Machine bay structural steel delivered to site and will be erected in first week of October. Entrance and exit roads 60% complete. Stabilising of machine bay 100% complete. Contractor behind schedule with plans to mitigate delay.

Contractor: Tender 43/2022 awarded to The Construction Company PTY LTD

Tender Value: R17 087 748.31 VAT incl.

Location: Church Str, Robertson

Commencement date: 05 April 2023

Tender estimated completion date: Dec 2023



LANGEBERG HOST WOMEN EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT



Langeberg Municipality in collaboration with SEDA hosted an SMME Women's Empowerment Summit at the Robertson Town Hall on 05 October 2023.

The event was opened by Alderman Schalk van Eeden, Executive Mayor of the Langeberg Municipality that welcomed just over 80 business women from across the Langeberg Municipal area to the information and networking session.



Mr D Lubbe, Municipal Manager of Langeberg Municipality further elaborated on the purpose of the day and the importance of each business owner in our region that contribute to the upliftment of our economy.

Speakers from Seda Western Cape, Productivity SA, National Youth Development Agency (NYDA), SEFA, Women in Tourism, LABIT and Cape Winelands District Municipality presented the various support programmes that are made available to business owners.



After the presentations, participants could engage in one on one sessions with stakeholder exhibitors representing the Department of Agriculture, Productivity SA, National Youth Development Agency (NYDA), Labit and SEFA.

Businesses like Jansens Farming Agriculture and Nikhayas Designs also informed the audience of their experience from support received by the Langeberg Municipality and SEDA.



The day resulted in a wonderful opportunity for women in business to exchange effective business operation ideas, become informed of topical issues in the SMME development, meet possible funding institutions and network to create business opportunities.

The department of Local Economic Development together with SEDA have started a mentoring programme where experienced businesses are included to mentor start-up businesses. Businesses are encouraged to partake in this initiative by contacting SEDA at info@seda.org.za



Pictures clockwise from top left: Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Western Cape Government, Ms. Anroux Marais and Councillor Paula Hess with some of the storytellers; the Bonnievale Band performing; Cutting of the ribbon conducted by Mr. Mike Mgajo, Director of Community Services along with the Executive Mayor, Alderman Schalk van Eeden; Langeberg Library staff

PRESERVING LANGEBERG'S HERITAGE: ORAL HISTORY INITIATIVE UNVEILED

Langeberg Municipality, in collaboration with the Western Cape's Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, proudly hosted an Oral History Initiative roll-out event at the Robertson Town Hall on 13 September 2023, celebrating the region's rich undocumented history.

The Bonnievale Band set the mood for an enjoyable event, the Executive Mayor Alderman SW van Eeden welcomed everyone, followed by an isiXhosa poetic rendition by Mr Mbulelo Hohlo, DCAS - EPWP Library Assistant for Nkqubela library. Khoi San Tradition Advocate, Ms Anmiray Opperman and Author and Poet, Mr Jeff Lakay shared emotional reflections into Langeberg's historic experiences, serving as a reminder of the invaluable stories that have shaped our communities.

Aunty Toelimeid and Oom Boet (Mr and Mrs Eysen) from Burnholme entertained the audience with singing, adding local flavour to the event. Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Western Cape Government, Ms. Anroux Marais gave the keynote address by emphasizing the importance of recording and preserving communities' oral history.

An oral history video-clip produced by the Western Cape Library Service was shown to the audience, bringing to life the vibrant tales of Langeberg. The official launch was symbolized by the cutting of the ribbon conducted by Mr. Mike Mgajo, Director of Community Services along with the Executive Mayor, Alderman SW van Eeden.

Storytellers were honoured with their own recorded DVDs to acknowledge their vital contributions, the Libraries who promoted the project in the communities were awarded with framed posters of the Oral History Project. The event was concluded with captivating musical performance by the Bonnievale Band. The Oral History Initiative stands as a legacy to the communities' resilience, ensuring Langeberg's vibrant history will be remembered for generations to come.

SOFTWARE UPDATE OF PREPAID ELECTRICITY METERS IN LANGEBERG STARTS



All Standard Transfer Specification (STS) prepaid electricity meter software in South Africa is in the process of being updated to prepare for a Token Identifier (TID) Rollover on 24 November 2024.

The unique 20-digit number you receive when you purchase pre-paid electricity is called a token and cannot be used more than once. The unique TIDs used to identify each electricity credit token will run out of available numbers on 24 November 2024. This implies that all prepaid meters must now be configured to accept the new STS Edition 2 tokens that will be generated from 24 November 2024. If this is not done, the prepaid meter will not be able to accept tokens, and the user will be left without access to electricity.

To ensure that all prepaid electricity meters are updated, the municipality has opted against the do-it-yourself approach and conducted a comprehensive audit of pre-paid meters. This audit aims to account for every meter before the door-to-door project is launched. Langeberg Municipality has appointed Syntell Pty Ltd., as the prepaid meter service provider, to visit households and businesses from August 2023 to November 2024 to update each prepaid meter.

Residents must only allow authorised field staff with an official identity card to enter their premises and access their electricity meter.

The Syntell visit to your property will involve the following:

- An inspection of the electrical meter

- User data information collection
- Re-programme and enter a special pair of key change tokens into existing electricity prepaid meters so that the meter continues to work after 24 November 2024.

Prepaid meter users will need to load any vouchers they have already purchased before the software upgrade, as the meter will not accept any old tokens once you have rolled over to the new software.

A TID generally has a life span of 31.9 years, after which the meter must be reset and the meter key changed to prevent old tokens from being used again. Existing vending keys are linked to the 1993 base date and key revision 1 (STS Edition 1), which expires on 24 November 2024. The updated vending keys are linked to a 2014 base date and a new key revision (STS Edition 2), which will be valid until 2045.

All STS products must comply with STS Edition 2 before 24 November 2024.

More information regarding the Syntell's field staff visit dates and times to your area will be shared on our social media pages, the website (www.langeberg.gov.za), and via SMS.

For more information, please contact Langeberg Municipality at 0860881111 or Syntell Service Desk at:

- Phone: 0218121877
- WhatsApp: 0727289229,
- Email: servicedeskagents@syntell.co.za

SYNTELL FIELD WORKERS - PREPAID METER SERVICE PROVIDER



Busani Sambo
Field Supervisor



Thandokazi Nongithi
Field Auditor



Thimna Williams
Field Auditor



Buyelwa Maxego
Field Auditor



Nosipho Kolo
Field Auditor



Xolelwa Tshoto
Field Auditor



Chedele Beginsel
Field Auditor



Jo-wheel Plaatjies
Field Auditor



Rigiano Snyman
Field Auditor



Geraldo Beukman
Field Auditor

SYNTELL FIELD WORKERS - PREPAID METER SERVICE PROVIDER

Sweep Route Timeline	170 days	Thu 23-10-12	Wed 24-06-05
Ashton - Zolani	13 days	Fri 23-10-13	Tue 23-10-31
Ashton	12 days	Wed 23-11-01	Thu 23-11-16
Robertson - Nkqubela	70 days	Wed 23-11-01	Tue 24-02-06
Robertson	70 days	Wed 24-02-07	Tue 24-05-14
Bonnievale	20 days	Wed 24-05-15	Tue 24-06-11
McGregor	15 days	Wed 24-06-12	Tue 24-07-02
Montagu	25 days	Wed 24-07-03	Tue 24-08-06
Farms	15 days	Wed 24-08-07	Tue 24-08-27



Meet Libby.

The one-tap reading app from your library

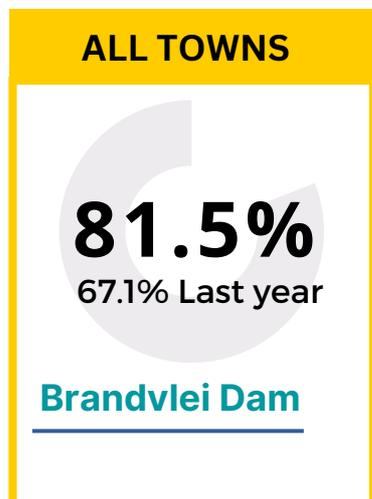
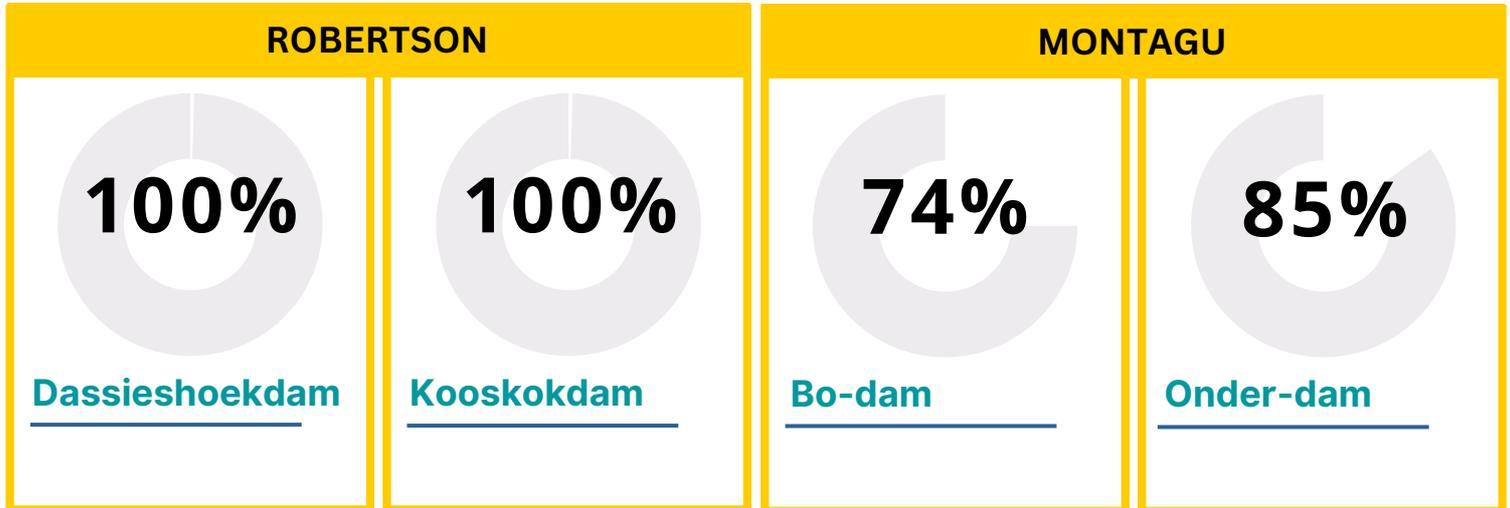
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LANGEBERG MUNICIPAL DAM LEVELS: 11 OCTOBER 2023



APPRECIATE EVERY DROP

Loadshedding severely affect water storage and sewerage works.
Let us always be pro-active in saving water.



HOW TO SAVE WATER AT HOME

TURN OFF TAPS

While washing, brushing, shaving...

TAKE SHORTER SHOWERS

instead of a bath. Close the tap, soap up, then turn water back on to rinse.

FIX

Leaking taps, pipes and toilets.

SAVE A FLUSH

and install a water-saving toilet flush system.



Wash only **FULL LOADS** of clothes and dishes.

USE 'GREY WATER'

Re-use water from baths, showers and washing to: flush toilet, wash car, wash floor, water the garden.

PLEASE REPORT water misuse and leaks at 0860 88 11 11

SERVICE REQUEST REPORT SEPTEMBER 2023

NUMBER OF SERVICE REQUESTS
RECEIVED BY THE CALL CENTRE

2148

 **1046 (PHONE CALL)**

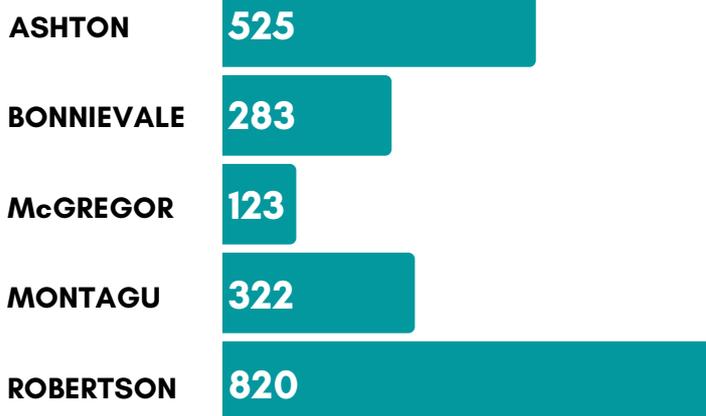
 **955 (WHATSAPP)**

 **96 (IN PERSON)**

 **45 (E-MAIL)**

 **5 (2-WAY RADIO)**

SERVICE REQUESTS/COMPLAINTS
PER TOWN



TOP REQUESTS/ COMPLAINTS

- 130** Electrical (Nuisance Trip/Temper Reset)
Ward 2, Robertson
- 120** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 10, Ashton
- 105** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 2, Robertson
- 59** Electrical (Eskom – Support Services)
Ward 8, Bonnievale
- 56** Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 2, Robertson
- 40** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 7, Montagu
- 39** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 9, Ashton
- 39** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 1, Robertson
- 35** Civil (Septic Tanks)
Ward 8, Bonnievale
- 34** Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 5, McGregor

HOW TO REPORT A COMPLAINT?

- Call: 0860 88 1111 / 023 615 2219
- WhatsApp: 065 211 7822
- E-mail: complaints@langeberg.gov.za

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- Skakel: 0860 88 1111 / 023 615 2219
- WhatsApp: 065 211 7822
- E-pos: complaints@langeberg.gov.za

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REFUSE BAGS AND WHEELIE BINS MUST BE PLACED ON PAVEMENTS BEFORE 07:45 ON SCHEDULED REFUSE COLLECTION DAYS.



VIEW YOUR REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE



ADD US ON
WHATSAPP
065 211 7822



MESSAGE **ADD ME** TO
VIEW MUNICIPAL
NOTICES, NEWS,
& MORE ON
OUR STATUS



WATER RESULTS - SEPTEMBER 2023



TREATED WATER	REQUIREMENT MEASUREMENT BLUE DROP STANDARDS	ASHTON	BONNIEVALE	MCGREGOR	MONTAGU	ROBERTSON
Inflow ML		10	51	2	5.18	10.8
pH (at 25°C)	≥5.00 - ≤9.70	7.04	6.39	6.92	7.26	6.79
Conductivity (at 25°C)	≤170	25.4	16.5	10.2	40.2	9
Turbidity (NTU)	≤1.0 Operational ≤5.0 -Aeshetic	3.6	4.3	0,82	0.41	2.5
Colour (mg/L as Pt)	≤15	<4	<4	<4	<4	<4
Aluminium (µg/L as Al)	≤300	251	701	161	<40	207
Iron (µg/L as Fe)	≤300 Aesthetic ≤2000 Chronic Health	61	105	<20	<20	32
Free Chlorine (mg/L)	>0.0 - ≤5	0.07	1.8	1.2	1.4	1.7
E.Coli (cnt/100ml)	Not Detected	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Total Coliform Bacteria	≤10	<1	<1	,1	<1	<1

CLICK HERE FOR MORE
LATEST WATER RESULTS

LANGEBERG MUNICIPALITY 24/7 CALL CENTRE
0860 88 111

 **WHATSAPP: 065 211 7822**

LANGEBERG'S DEDICATED FIRE LINE:
023 615 8911

LANGEBERG POLICE STATIONS

- ASHTON - 023 615 8120/8121
- BONNIEVALE - 023 616 8060/8062
- MCGREGOR - 023 625 8000/8002
- MONTAGU - 023 614 8300/ 8304
- ROBERTSON - 023 626 8340/ 8346

NATIONAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS

- POLICE - 10111
- AMBULANCE - 10177
- EMERGENCY NUMBER (CELLULAR) - 112



VELD, CHEMICAL AND MOUNTAIN FIRES
CAPE WINELANDS DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY CALL CENTRE:
021 887 4446



BUREAU OF MISSING PERSONS
021 918 3512 / 3449 / 3452



MOUNTAIN RESCUE
021 948 9900



POISONS INFORMATION HELPLINE OF THE W-CAPE
0861 555 777



HEALTH FACILITIES IN THE LANGEBERG MUNICIPAL AREA

HOSPITALS

- ROBERTSON HOSPITAL - 023 626 8500
- MONTAGU HOSPITAL - 023 614 8100

CLINICS

- BERGSIG, ROBERTSON - 023 626 1035
- NKQUBELA, ROBERTSON - 023 626 6613
- MCGREGOR - 023 625 1932
- MONTAGU CLINIC - 023 614 8200
- COGMANSKLOOF, ASHTON - 023 615 2252
- ZOLANI, ASHTON - 023 615 3288/3323
- HAPPY VALLEY, BONNIEVALE - 023 616 3239

DENTAL CLINIC

ROBERTSON - 023 626 1602

CLINIC TIMES:

07:30 - 16:00
(MON - FRI)
(CLOSED ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS)



SNAKE CATCHER
063 556 6338



GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE COMMAND CENTRE
0800 428 428 or *120*7867#