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Safety first, pledges new Mayor

Newly elected Mayor of the Langeberg Alderman Schalk van Eeden promised to make safety a top priority of his term.

Elected at a special council meeting held on 14 August 2020, following the death of his predecessor, Alderman Henry Jansen, from Covid-19 last month, he said he would focus on creating a safer environment for all.

"I want to focus on getting our environment safe. When one has a municipal area where people feel safe, and one has good, affordable services, one can attract investors to the area. I think everyone wants to stay in a safe area."

Van Eeden has been a member of the Langeberg Municipal Council since 2000, when the municipalities amalgamated. His extensive career in politics includes such highlights as serving in the Langeberg and Cape Winelands District municipalities simultaneously (2006-2011), being elected Mayco Member responsible for Infrastructure (2011-2016) and being elected Speaker of the council (2016-2020).

Being Mayor is not a one-man job, Van Eeden acknowledges. "I would like to have one-on-one sessions with all councillors to hear what they expect from me, and how we can work together, as our slogan says, to take our municipality from being one of the best to the best."

Role as Mayor

"The Mayor is leader of the executive and has several roles, which are both legislative and functional," Van Eeden explained.

He explained identifying the needs of the municipality and making recommendations to council regarding strategies, programmes and services, to address these needs, are only some of the mayor's functions.

In addition to the above, the Executive Mayor is also assigned financial oversight responsibilities.

"Although we are currently fundamentally healthy as an organisation, we must ensure we manage business properly and be aware of any issues that may arise, especially during or due to the Covid-19 pandemic," Van Eeden said.



Newly elected Executive Mayor, Alderman Schalk van Eeden wants to improve the quality of life among the people of Langeberg.

When it comes to the ceremonial part of being an executive mayor, Van Eeden laughs. "Being the face of the Langeberg Municipality is all good and well, until it's time to take the photos," he said. This is a duty he is not particularly enamoured of and keen to get out of the way.

Focus points

Attracting investors into the area is also high on the Mayor's priority list. "When investors are attracted to

establish business within our area, work is created for our community," Van Eeden said. "And when you provide people with permanent jobs you bestow a sense of dignity to them."

"I want to improve the quality of life of the people of the Langeberg, and hope to bring change."

Although his term as Mayor is short, van Eeden hopes to plant the seeds of change that will grow as the years progress.

“I want to focus on getting our environment safe.”

He said: "Continuity is very important due to time constraints, but it is also important to start with the implementation of the change one would like to see a few years down the road."

Fighting Covid-19 in Langeberg

"Langeberg Municipality has made a lot of effort during the Covid-19 pandemic, and will continue to do so," Van Eeden said.

Some of the efforts he mentions include the homeless shelter, disinfection of public spaces, campaigns to inform the public and continuous communication via various channels.

"We have to work together to stop the spread of the coronavirus. The statistics may seem low now, but the public should remember that these figures are only reflective of those who got tested. Most people show mild or no symptoms, and are not tested."

Van Eeden urges residents to remain vigilant, continue to follow the golden rules and wear a mask when leaving home for any reason. He also encourages all residents to help where they can during these difficult times.

Grateful

"I am very grateful for this opportunity given to me by our Heavenly Father. I am also grateful to the councillors who have put their trust in me and elected me as Mayor of Langeberg."

"But, mostly, I am thankful to my wife, children and family, who have loved and supported me throughout my career."

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Veiligheid eerste, vra nuwe burgemeester

Die nuutverkose burgemeester van die Langeberg-munisipaliteit, raadsheer Schalk van Eeden, het belowe om veiligheid 'n topprioriteit in sy dienstermy te maak.

Van Eeden is tot burgemeester verkies tydens 'n spesiale raadsvergadering wat op 14 Augustus gehou is nadat die vorige burgemeester, Henry Jansen, verlede maand weens Covid-19 dood is. Van Eeden het benadruk dat hy 'n veiliger omgewing vir almal wil skep.

"Ek wil op 'n veilige omgewing fokus. As jy in 'n plek woon waar jy veilig voel en waar jy bekostigbare dienste het, lok jy beleggers na jou omgewing. Ek dink almal wil graag in 'n veilige omgewing bly," het hy gesê.

Van Eeden is sedert 2000 deel van die Langeberg-munisipaliteit toe die munisipaliteite saamgesmelt het. Sy suksesvolle loopbaan sluit ook hoogtepunte in soos om van 2006-2011 gelyktydig op die Langeberg- en Kaapse Wynland-distriksmunisipaliteite te dien, om verkies te word as lid van die burgemeesterskomitee wat verantwoordelik was vir die infrastruktuur (2011-2016) en ook om tot speaker van die raad aangewys te word (2016-2020).

Om 'n burgemeester te wees, is volgens Van Eeden nie 'n eenmansaak nie.

"Ek wil graag een-tot-een-sessies met al die raadslede hou om te hoor wat hulle van my verwag en om te bepaal hoe ons kan saamwerk om ons munisipaliteit van een van die bestes na dié beste te lei," het hy gesê.

Rol as burgemeester

"Die burgemeester is die leier van die uitvoerende raad en het verskeie rolle wat hy moet vertolk – van wette tot ander funksies," verduidelik Van Eeden.

Hy verduidelik die identifisering van die behoeftes van die munisipaliteit en aanbevelings rakende strategieë, programme en dienste om hierdie behoeftes aan te spreek is van die funksies wat die burgemeester moet vertolk.

Verder is die burgemeester ook

verantwoordelik vir die finansiële besluitneming.

"Alhoewel die munisipaliteit tans baie suksesvol is, moet ons steeds sorg dat sake doeltreffend bestuur word en bewus wees van enige probleme wat kan opduik, veral met gevalle soos die Covid-19-pandemie," het Van Eeden verduidelik.

Wanneer dit kom by al die gesellighede en seremonies, vertel Van Eeden, is dit nie altyd vir hom lekker as daar foto's van hom geneem word nie. "Om die gesig van die Langeberg-munisipaliteit te wees, is goed totdat daar foto's geneem moet word. Ek is nie 'n groot aanhanger daarvan nie."

Fokuspunte

Om beleggers na die omgewing te lok, is baie belangrik vir die burgemeester.

"Wanneer beleggers ondernemings in ons omgewing oopmaak, beteken dit dat daar werk geskep word vir ons inwoners. En as die inwoners permanente werk het, voel hulle ook meer waardig," het hy gesê.

"Ek wil die lewensgehalte van die Langeberg-inwoners verbeter en verandering bring en sodoende vir hulle hoop gee. Kontinuïteit is baie belangrik, maar dit is ook belangrik om verandering te bewerkstellig wat die inwoners graag wil sien," het hy gesê.

Beveg Covid-19 in die Langeberg

"Langeberg-munisipaliteit loop die ekstra myl tydens die Covid-19-pandemie en gaan so aanhou," het Van Eeden gesê.

Van die pogings is om 'n skuiling vir haweloses op te rig, om openbare ruimtes te ontsmet en veldtogene van stapel te stuur om die inwoners in te lig deur gebruik te maak van verskillende platforms.

"Ons moet almal saamwerk om die verspreiding van die koronavirus te bekamp. Die statistieke lyk miskien nou goed, maar julle moet onthou die statistieke is net gegronde op mense wat getoets is. Meeste mense toon net ligte of geen simptome en word dus nie getoets nie," het hy bygevoeg.

Hy versoek die inwoners om steeds



Om beleggers na die omgewing te lok is ook hoog op die prioriteitslys van die burgemeester.

waaksam te wees en die veiligheidsmaatreëls toe te pas soos om 'n masker te dra as jy die huis verlaat. Verder moedig hy die inwoners aan om mekaar in dié moeilike tye te help.

Dankbaar

"Ek is baie dankbaar vir die

geleenheid en bedank die Here hiervoor. Ek is ook dankbaar vir die raadslede wat hul vertroue in my gestel het om my as burgemeester te verkies. Maar ek is die dankbaarste vir my vrou en kinders wat my deur my loopbaan getrou ondersteun," het Van Eeden afgesluit.

Langeberg appoints new CFO

The Langeberg Municipality appointed Mava Shude as its Chief Financial Officer (CFO), a post effective from 1 September 2020.

Shude's appointment was approved during an ordinary sitting of the council. The position of CFO has been vacant since June 2020, when the previous CFO resigned.

Having held the post of Chief Audit Executive since 2017, Shude functioned as Acting CFO.

He holds a BComm in Accounting from the University of the Western Cape as well as a Post-graduate Diploma in Applied Accounting Sciences from the University of South Africa.

As a chartered accountant, registered with the South African Institute for Chartered Accountants, Shude was initially recruited to the municipality from the Auditor-General of South Africa, where he worked as Assistant Audit Manager.

"Shude has been part of our efforts to ensure consistent clean audits," Soysile Mokweni, outgoing Municipal Manager, said following the appointment.

"Since he joined the municipality we have gained from his insights and



New Langeberg CFO Mava Shude

Councillor Hess is first female Speaker of Langeberg

In a historic step for the Langeberg Municipality, Councillor Pauline Hess was elected its first female Speaker at a meeting of the council.

The position of Speaker became vacant last week when the former Speaker Alderman Scalk van Eeden was elected Executive Mayor.

Expressing her appreciation for the confidence and responsibility bestowed on her, especially during Women's Month, Hess promised to contribute meaningfully to the progress and success of the council and administration.

"I have big shoes to fill," she said, "and I look forward to providing assistance to the Executive Mayor and working closely with ward committees and ward councillors to ensure our work is done efficiently and effectively."



Speaker Pauline Hess

experiences, and with his help we could put in place the necessary systems and processes that enable us to achieve consecutive clean audits.



Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Councillor Mangenengene

Langeberg Municipality express its sincerest condolences to the family of Councillor Hetta Mangenengene from Ashton who passed away on 26 August 2020.

"Councilor Hetta Mangenengene was loved in her neighborhood and strived to serve her constituents at all times," said Executive Mayor van Eeden.

"The soul takes flight to a world that is invisible, and there arriving she is sure of bliss and forever dwells in paradise." - unknown

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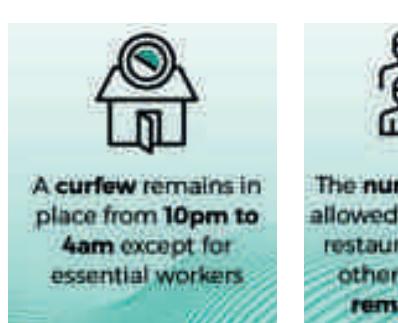
We are still very much in the middle of a deadly pandemic that has taken over 11,000 lives in South Africa alone. At more than half a million confirmed cases, we still have the fifth highest number of infections in the world. And there is always a chance of a resurgence of the disease.

As the country moves to alert level 2, many restrictions on social and economic activity have been lifted.
With this comes increased risk of transmission.

We need to manage this risk and ensure the gains we have made thus far in containing the pandemic's spread are not reversed. The greatest threat to the health of the nation now is complacency. It may be that we are now permitted to meet friends and family, to visit entertainment venues, to travel for leisure and to consume alcohol in restaurants, bars and taverns.

But as the old adage goes, just because you can, doesn't mean you should.
Let us proceed, as ever, with caution. Let us keep each other safe.

President Cyril Ramaphosa





Langeberg Municipal Manager is retiring

After being at the helm of the Langeberg Municipality for nearly 14 years, Soyisile Mokweni, one of only three African municipal managers in the Western Cape, is retiring.

With his health playing a major role in the decision, Mokweni, who hails from the area, also had to commute weekly between Cape Town, where his family is based, and Ashton, where his office is.

But the real reason for his decision, according to him, is the fact that he has achieved most, "if not all", of the targets he set for himself 14 years ago.

"The initial agreement with my family was to stay on for only 10 years," Mokweni said, "but when I saw that there was so much more that needed to be done I convinced them I will stay on until a year before the next municipal elections."

One of his biggest achievements is the fact that the administration has been transformed to reflect the demographics of the region adequately.

"It was a determined plan that we set out for ourselves. And while we have managed to improve the representation of African and coloured professionals throughout the administration, my biggest regret is that, despite our best efforts, we still have only one woman among five men in the executive structure."

The reason for this, Mokweni said, was due mostly to lack of interest from women during the recruitment process, and also the limited number of women in local government.

"When we advertised for executive positions the applicants were overwhelmingly male, and it was mostly men who qualified for these positions. But it is a problem across local government. I'm not offering it as an excuse, but look at the Western Cape, with the exception of two or three, the overwhelming majority of municipalities are headed by men. Even at the executive level one struggles to find a female at even that level."

"But we should've done more. We must do more, and I hope the administration would seriously consider this as we go forward."

Under Mokweni's watch, Langeberg Municipality also achieved a total of six unqualified audits and eight clean audits.



Langeberg Municipality bids farewell to Municipal Manager, Mr Soyisile Mokweni who is retiring.

"We pushed our team hard. We consistently set high targets and missed it six times, but achieved it eight times, and this is certainly one of my most treasured achievements of my professional life."

"We owe this to every hard working single mother who pays her municipal levies, relies on us for basic services and looks to us for providing a house. We had to assure her her money was well spent, and that there is no wastage and no corruption that would make her lose faith in our systems. We also did this to the farmworker who, without a credible municipal administration, would not be able to fend and care for their family."

Over the last 13 years the outgoing Municipal Manager also set a target to electrify 90% of all households and ensure 90% of all households had access to running water and sanitation.

All of these were exceeded, and today, with the help of "the best team any MM

can ask for", almost 95-98% of all households in the municipality have access to clean running water, electricity and a toilet, and their refuse is collected without fail every week.

"We also changed the face of our communities," Mokweni boasts.

"We built play parks in areas where kids have had to play in the veld or dangerous places. We built six of those parks across the municipality. We built two libraries and in doing so, shortened the distance between these facilities and consumers, mostly school children. We also renovated and upgraded two sports facilities and built two water reservoirs in order to improve access to high-quality water."

Any or unfulfilled dreams? "Housing!" he exclaims.

"While we have provided close to 10 000 housing opportunities over the last 13 years, we sadly have also seen an increase in informal housing units across the

municipality. According to our estimates we will be able to eradicate the housing backlog only in 20 years' time, and for some desperate families it is too long."

When Mokweni took office he immediately ensured a single housing database was established, and through a strong working relationship between the municipality and provincial Department of Human Settlements, one house is built daily somewhere in the municipality.

"Providing a family with a decent house is essential to the dignity of a mother who is trying to make ends meet or for a father who wishes to keep his family safe and secure," he states. "More importantly, it is important for the confidence and well-being of a young girl who studies hard and has dreams for herself and her siblings, or for the young boy who dreams of becoming a professional rugby player."

Mokweni says he was raised by parents who upheld the mantra "always do good".

"I know that good is not always the best, but we have tried. Ever since I left Robertson as a young man to go and study in Cape Town, I always yearned to come home and plough back, and in some small way thank the area for its contribution to my development. I've had 14 years here. It has been the highlight of my professional career, and the single greatest honour."

And the future? Rest, he says with an air of resigned determination.

"I want to spend some time at my ancestral home in the Eastern Cape, then be able to finish the many unfinished books that are still on my pedestal and once done, I will take it from there."

Mokweni expresses his gratitude to all four mayors he worked with in this time as well as Team Langeberg for trusting his vision and relying on his leadership during these most eventful years of his career.

"I served John Ngonyama, Diana Gagiano, Henry Jansen and Schalk van Eeden to the best of my ability and dedicated the last 14 years to the people I am from and the communities that helped raise me. With the most amazing team of professionals we have done the unimaginable, and I am indebted to all who contributed to making the last 14 years an incredible experience."

Langeberg se munisipale bestuurder tree af

Nadat hy vir amper 14 jaar aan die stuur van sake by die Langeberg-munisipaliteit was, tree Soyisile Mokweni af. Mokweni was een van drie swart munisipale bestuurders in die Wes-Kaap.

Sy gesondheid het 'n groot rol in sy besluit geneem en ook die feit dat Mokweni weekliks tussen Kaapstad en Ashton moes pendel – sy familie bly in die Kaap en sy kantoor is in Ashton.

Maar die werklike rede tot dié besluit, volgens hom, is dat hy al sy doelwitte wat hy vir homself 14 jaar gelede gestel het, bereik het.

"Die oorspronklike ooreenkoms wat ek met my familie aangegaan het, is dat ek slegs vir 10 jaar dié pos sal beklee, maar toe sien ek dat daar so baie is wat gedoen moet word dat ek hulle oortuig het om aan te bly tot 'n jaar voor die volgende munisipale verkiesing," het hy gesê.

Een van sy grootste prestasies is dat hy die administrasie van die munisipaliteit so getransformeerd dat dit die demografie van die streek

verteenvoerigd.

"Dit was 'n visie wat ons vir onsself gestel het. Alhoewel ons daarin geslaag het om die verteenwoordiging van swart- en bruin mense in die administrasie te verbeter, is ek spyt dat daar steeds net een vrou uit vyf mans in die uitvoerende struktuur is."

Die rede hiervoor is volgens hom die tekort aan belangstelling van vroue gedurende die indiensnemingsproses en die beperkte aantal vroue wat op die plaaslike regering dien.

"Toe ons die uitvoerende poste geadverteer het, was die aansoekers oorweldig manlik en dit was ook die mans wat die beste vir hierdie poste gekwalifiseer is. Maar dit bly 'n probleem wat plaaslike munisipaliteit oor Suid-Afrika heen ondervind. Ek gebruik dit nie as 'n verskoning nie, maar kyk na die Wes-Kaap, met die uitsondering van twee of drie munisipaliteite, word die plaaslike munisipaliteit deur mans bestuur. Selfs op bestuursvlak sukkel die munisipaliteit om gekwalifiseerde vroue

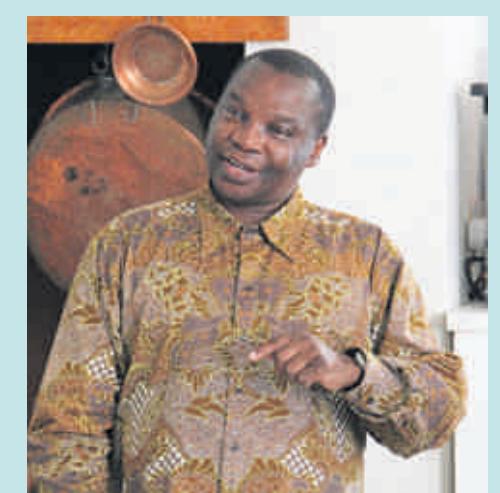
te kry om die werk te verrig," voer hy aan.

"Maar ons moes meer gedoen het en ons moet meer doen. Ek hoop die administrasie gaan aandag hiaan skenk."

Onder sy bestuur het die Langeberg-munisipaliteit ses ongekwalifiseerde oudits en agt skoon oudits behaal.

"Ons het ons span hard gedruk om te presteer. Ons het gereeld hoë teikens gestel en het die skoon audit ses keer gemis, maar agt keer behaal en dit is van die hoogtepunte van my professionele loopbaan," het hy verduidelik.

"Ons is hierdie prestasies te danke aan elke hardwerkende enkelmaai wat haar munisipale rekeninge getrouw betaal en wat op ons staatmaak om die basiese dienste te lewer. Ons moet dié vroue gerusstel en hulle vertroue wen deur hulle te verseker dat geld goed bestee word en dat dit nie vermors word of deur korrumptie net verdwyn nie."



Mnr. Mokweni het die afgelope 14 jaar opgetree as munisipale bestuurder van die Langeberg-munisipaliteit.

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Umphathi kamaspala waselangeberg uthatha umhlalaphantsi

Emva kokuxhuzula iintambo iminyaka phantsi eli-14 kuMasipala waseLangeberg, uSoyisile Mokweni ongomnye kwabane kubaPhathi Bakamasipala abantsundu eNtshona-Koloni, uthatha umhlalaphantsi.

Impilo yakhe idlale indima enkulu kwizigqibo zakhe zokuhlalaphantsi uMokweni okhulele apha ebebesoloko esihla enyuka veki nganye phakathi kweAshton aphi iofisi yakhe ikhoyo kunye neKapa aphi ebehlala kunye nentsapho yakhe.

Kodwa esona sizathu sokuyeka kwakhe ngokutsho kwakhe, sesokuba uziphumezile zonke izinto ebezibekela zona njengosukelo kuleminyaka ili-14 edlulileyo.

Ekuqaleni savumelana nentsapho yam ukuba ndizakuhlala kuphela iminyaka elishumi kodwa ngenxa yokuba kusekuninzi okufunaka kwensiwe saggiba kwelokuba ndikhe ndihlale de ibe kufutshane nolonyulo loomasipala olulandelayo.

Olona sukelo luhlu silufikeleleyo kukukwazi ukuzisa iinguqu kubasebenzi bakamasipala ukuba babonakalise ubume babemi balommandla.

"Ngoxa siye sakwazi ukuphucula ubume babasebentzi bebala nabantsundu ngokwesicwangciso lukamasilingane, endizisola ngako kukuba usemnye kuphela owesifazane oqeshwe kwiqoqo lokulawula eliphezulu."

Isizathu soku kukunqongophala kwabesifazane abafanelekayo ukufaka izicelo zomsebenzi, kwanokunqongophala kwabo koorhulumente basemakhaya.

"Xa kubhengezwia izithuba zeqoqo eliphezulu lolawulo, abaninzi abafaka izicelo iba ngamadoda aneemfaneleko ezifunwanayo. Le yingxaki ekhoyo koorhulumente basekuhlaleni. Oku unokubona xa uqwalasela oomaspala baseNtshona-Koloni abangamashumi amathathu, bathathu kuphela abesifazane abangabaphathi bakamasipala, bonke abanye baphethwe ngamadoda.

"Besimele ukuba senze okungangakumbi. Simele senze ngaphezulu ibe ndinethembra lokuba umaspala uya kuqhubele nolusukelo."

Phantsi kolawulo lwakhe, umaspala waseLangeberg uye wafumana iingxelo zabaphicothi-zincwadi ezingenachaphaza ezintandathu kwaneengxelo ezicocekleyleo ezisibhozo.

"Siye satyhala ngamandla neqela lam. Siye saqhubeka ngokuzibekela usukelo oluphezulu lokufumana iigxelo ezicocekleyleo. Siye saziphosa izihlandlo



Umanejala kaMasipala waseLangeberg uMnu. Mokweni uthatha umhlala phantsi emva kweminyaka eyi-14.

ezibini kuphela kusoloko kwaqala iingxelo zophicohlo ezicocekleyleo.

"Le yimbopheleko esinayo kuye wonke ummi waseLangeberg, umama okhulisa umntwana yedwa, obhatala iinkonzo zikamasipala noxhomekeke kuthi ukuba afumane iinkonzo ezisisiseko nolindlele ukuba afumane indlu. Simele simnike isiqinisekiso sokuba imali yakhe isetyenziswa kakuhle, akumoshwa ngayo okanye kwensiwe urwaphilizo ntoley enokuphelisa intembelo yakhe kwiinkqubo zikamasipala. Siye sakwenzela umsebenzi wasezifama oxhomekeke kulawulo lukamasipala oluthembekileyo ukuze azixhase kunye nentsapho yakhe."

Ebudeni beminyaka eli-13 edlulileyo, uMokweni wazibekela usukelo lokuba i-90% yazo zonke iintsapho zibe nombane, ize-90% yeentsapho ibe namanzi acocekleyleo nogutulyo lwelindle.

Konke oku kwenzekile kwade kwagqithisa, namhlanje ekunye neqela lakhe eligqwesileyo, phantse i-95 - 98% yazo zonke iintsapho zinamanzi acocekeileyo, umbane, izindlu zangasese yaye inkunkuma ithuthwa roqo veki nganye.

"Siye sayiguqula imeko bume yolu,"

uqhayeise njalo uMokweni.

"Siye Sakha iipaki zokudlala kwiindawo aphi abantwana bebedlala ethafen iokanye kwiindawo ezinobungozi. Siye Sakha iipaki ezintandathu kuzo zonke iidolphu zikamasipala. Sakhe amathala eencwadi ezimbini, ngaloondlela sisondeza ezinkonzo kubahlali ingakumbi abantwana abahamba isikolo. Siye saphucula saza sakha amabala okudlala amabini. Kwakhona sakhe amadama amanzi amathathu ukuze siphucule ukufumaneka kwamanzi acocekleyleo.

Ngaba kukho nawaphina amaphupha angazalisekanga.

"Izindlu!" ukhwaze njalo.

"Naxa siye sanika amathuba ezindlu aphantse afikelela kwi-10 000 kuleminyaka ili-13 edlulileyo, okubuhlungu kukuba siye saphawula ukwanda kwenani lamatyotyombe kuzo zonke iidolphu zalomasipala. Ngokoqikelelo sinokuphelisa lentswela zindlu kweminyaka engama-20 ukuba akakhuli ngokubhekele phaya amatyotyombe. Siyaqonda ukuba eli lithuba elide kabantu abadinga izindlu ngoku."

Xa uMokweni waqlisa ukusebenza aphi, waqinisekisa ukuba kuqulunqwa uludwe olusemthethweni labantu

abalindele izindlu, yaye ngenxa yentsebenziswano entle phakathi kwesebe lokuhaliswa koluntu nomasipala, bekusakhiwa indlu enye ngosuku kummandla waseLangeberg.

Ukunika intsapho indlu efanelekileyo kubalulekile ukubuyisela isidima kumama ozabalazela ukulungiselela intsapho yake okanye utata onqwenela ukuba ukuba anike intsapho yakhe indawo ekhuselekileyo. Okubaluleke ngakumbi, kwintombi efunda nzima ukuze izalisekise amaphupha ayo kunye nabantakwabo okanye inkwenkwe enephupha lokuba ngumdlal womboxo ophumizandla, utshilo uMokweni.

Ngokutsho kukaMokweni ukhuliswe ngabazali bakhe ngesigxiniso sokuba "hlala usenza okulungileyo".

"Ndiyayazi ukuba okulungileyo akusoloko kugqwesile, kodwa sizamile. Okoko ndemkayo eRobertson ndisengumfana oselula ukuba ndiyekuqhubela phamble nemfundu yam eKapa, ndandisoloko ndinqwenela ukubuyela ekhaya ukuze ndizokunceda ukuhlumisa ngendlela encinane, ukuze ndibilele kulengingqi ngegalelo ekundiphuhliseni. Ndiye ndafumana ithuba le-14 leminyaka. Le ibe yimbalasane yokusebenza kwam yaye ibilungelo elikhulu kum, uggibezele ngolohlobo.

Kuthekani ukusuka aphi?

Kukuphumla, utsho ngeliginisekileyo. "Ndizakuchitha ixesha elithile kwintsimi nemihlabo yokhokho bam, ndigqibezele ukubhala iincwadi ebendizibhala ndakuthi ndakugqiba ndibone ndenza ntoni na," uqhule ngelitshoyo.

UMokweni uye wavakalisa umbulelo kubo bobane oosodolophu aye wasebenza nabo, kuquba neqela lakhe laselangeberg kuba baye banentembelo kwimibono yakhe nokulandela ukhokelo lwakhe kuleminyaka ili-14 lokusebenza kwakhe aphi.

"Ndiye ndanikela iinkonzo yokuzinikela ngokuvisiana namandla am kuJohn Ngonyama, Diana Gagiano, Henry Jansen no Schalk Van Eeden, kuleminyaka eli-14 ndiyekuqubela ukususela ebuntwaneni. Sikunye neqela lam elingummangaliso senze izinto ebenkungekho mntu ebenokuziqikelela ukuba zinokwenzwa. Ndiya kusoloko ndinoxabiso elikhulu kuye wonke ubani ofake isandla ekwenzeni leminyaka ili-14 ibe yimbali engenakulibaleka.

'Ek het 14 jaar gehad om terug te ploeg . . .'

Van bl. 4

"Ons moet toesien dat hulle nie hul vertroue in die munisipaliteit verloor nie. Ons is ook goeie diens aan die plaaswerker verskuldig wat deur voldoende munisipale bestuur sy gesin kan versorg."

Gedurende die afgelope 13 jaar het Mokweni 'n doelwit vir homself gestel dat 90% van alle huishoudings elektrisiteit, water en sanitasie sal hê.

Hy het egter hierdie doelwitte oortref en vandag het tussen 95-98% van alle huishoudings in dié munisipale gebied toegang tot lopende water, elektrisiteit en sanitasie en hul vullis word elke week opgetel. Volgens hom kon hy dit nie regkry sonder die ondersteuning van sy span nie.

"Ons het ook die beeld van ons gemeenskappe verander," vertel Mokweni trots. "Ons het speelparke in gebiede gebou waar kinders vroeër by geværlike plekke moes speel. Ons het ses sulke parke oor die munisipale gebied opgerig. Ons het ook twee

biblioteke opgerig wat dit vir die kinders maklik maak om toegang tot inligting te kry. Verder het ons, ons sportgeriewe opgeknap en twee waterreservoirs gebou om die gehalte van die water te verbeter."

Op 'n vraag of daar enige drome is wat hy nie kon verwesenlik nie, sê hy sonder om te aarsel, "behuising."

"Alhoewel ons die afgelope 13 jaar bykans 10 000 huise gebou het, het ons ongelukkig ook 'n toename van informele strukture in die munisipale gebied gesien. Volgens navorsing sal ons die agterstand van behuising eers oor 20 jaar kan uitwis en vir sommige gesinne is dit net te lank," vertel hy.

Toe Mokweni oorgeneem het, het hy 'n enkelbehuisingsdatastelsel daargestel en het nou saam met die departement van menslike nedersetting gewerk sodat daar ten minste een huis daagliks iewers in die munisipale gebied gebou word.

"Om 'n familie met 'n goed geboude huis toe te rus, is noodsaaklik vir die ma wat probeer om die pot aan die

"Ons het ook die beeld van ons gemeenskappe verander . . ."

kook te hou en vir die pa om sy familie veilig te laat voel. Maar wat nog van meer waarde is, is dat behuising vertroue gee vir jong mense – die jong meisie wat hard leer om haar drome te verwesenlik en die seun wat hard oefen om eendag 'n professionele rugbyspeler te wees," sê hy.

Volgens Mokweni het sy ouers hom grootgemaak om altyd goed te doen.

"Ek weet goed is nie altyd die beste nie, maar ons het probeer. Vandat ek Robertson as jong man verlaat het om in Kaapstad te gaan studeer, het ek altyd na geleenthede gesoek om terug te

keer huis toe en om 'n verandering in my gemeenskap te maak. Ek het 14 jaar gehad om terug te kan ploeg in die gemeenskap en dit is ook een van die hoogtepunt in my loopbaan," sluit hy af.

Hy gaan in die toekoms rus. "Ek wil graag tyd by my voorouers se huis in die Oos-Kaap deurbring en die klomp boeke wat op my bedkassie lê, klaar lees," lag hy.

Mokweni bedank die vier burgemeesters waarmee hy saamgewerk het en ook die span van Langeberg wat sy visie en leierskap die afgelope 14 jaar vertrou het.

"Ek het John Ngonyame, Diana Gagiano, Henry Jansen en Schalk van Eeden na die beste van my vermoë bygestaan en dra die 14 suksesvolle jare van my loopbaan op aan die gemeenskap wat my ondersteun het. Met die ondersteuning van die professionele span het ons die onmoontlike reggekry en ek is in die skuldby elkeen wat die laaste 14 jaar deel van my lewe was."



Use electricity smartly, and save

Langeberg Municipality encourages residents to reduce electricity usage in the evening peak period (17:00-21:00). By rallying together we can reduce the need for load shedding. Do your bit to keep the lights on across the country, and start by switching off the biggest energy guzzlers at home. The following tips encourage the smart use of electricity, to reduce the strain on power stations and save you money.

Use geysers smartly

- Install your geyser closest to the points in your home where you use hot water.
- Insulate your geyser with a geyser blanket.
- Insulate the first 1,5 m of water pipes leading to and from the geyser.
- Do not let hot water run unnecessarily – always use basin plugs in your bathrooms and kitchen.
- Use cold water for quick tasks such as washing hands or brushing teeth.
- Use cold water to rinse fruit and vegetables.

Use heaters smartly

- A fan heater with a thermostat is the best choice to heat an average room of 3 x 3 x 2,5 m quickly. It spreads heat evenly, and the thermostat switches the appliance off when the room is cosy.
- An oil heater with a thermostat and an output no bigger than 2 000 W is the best choice to heat a room of 3 x 3 x 2,5 m over a period of three hours. It heats slowly and steadily, and the thermostat switches the appliance off when the room is warm.
- A heater with a thermostat and an output no bigger than 1 000 W is the best choice to heat a room of 3 x 3 x 2,5 m over a period of eight hours. It gradually raises the temperature and the thermostat switches the appliance off when the room reaches the optimal level of thermal comfort.

Use lights smartly



Replace incandescent lamps and conventional down lights with energy saving lamps or LEDs.

- Replace incandescent lamps with energy saving CFLs (compact fluorescent lamps) or LEDs (light emitting diodes), and do the same with your conventional down lights.
- CFLs use up to 80% less energy than incandescent lamps and last up to eight times longer.
- LEDs use up to 85% less energy than conventional incandescent lamps.

Use stoves and ovens smartly

- Keep your oven door closed until food is done.
- Match pots with stove plate sizes.
- Avoid using your stove for small tasks

- like boiling water for tea and coffee.
- Place frozen food in the fridge to defrost and avoid defrosting food in the microwave.

- Use your microwave to cook small to medium amounts of food.
- Use a pressure cooker or slow cooker for food that cooks for a long time, such as stews and casseroles.

Use washing machines and tumble dryers smartly

- Wait for a full load of washing before you wash.
- Ensure you set your washing machine to match your wash load. There is no

need to set the machine to its highest and longest setting if you only have a small wash load.

- Only wash clothes that are dirty. Heavier items such as jeans can be worn a few times before washing it.
- There is no need to use the hot water setting if clothes are not heavily soiled.
- Understand how your washing machine works, and make sure it is set to operate on an economy setting.
- Keep your tumble dryer switched off on sunny days – use the outdoor clothes line instead.

For more information on how to save electricity, visit www.eskom.co.za.

Gebruik elektrisiteit wys en veilig

Langeberg-munisipaliteit moedig inwoners aan om elektrisiteitsverbruik gedurende spitsstele (17:00-21:00) te verminder. Deur almal se samewerking kan beurtkrag hokgeslaan word. Doen jou deel om die ligte oor Suid-Afrika heen aan te hou deur die sondebokke (toerusting wat die meeste elektrisiteit gebruik) af te skakel. Die volgende wenke kan jou help om nie net jou elektrisiteitsrekening te verminder nie, maar ook die druk op kragstasies te verlaag:

Gebruik geisers wys:

- Installeer jou geiser so na as moontlik aan die vertrekke wat die meeste warm water gebruik.
- Bedek jou geiser met 'n geiserkombes.
- Isooleer die eerste 1,5 m waterpype wat na die geiser lei.
- Moenie warm water onnodig laat loop nie – gebruik proppe in badkamers en in die kombuis.
- Gebruik koue water vir vinnige take, soos om jou hande te was of om jou tandte te borsel.
- Spoel groente en vrugte in koue water af.

Gebruik verwarmers wys:

- 'n Waaiverwarmer met 'n termostaat is die beste keuse om 'n kamer van 9 m² vinnig warm te maak. Dié verwarmer versprei die hitte eweredig en die termostaat skakel die verwarmer af as die kamer warm genoeg is.
- 'n Olieverwarmer met 'n termostaat en 'n uitset van 2 000W is die beste keuse om 'n kamer van 9 m² in drie ure warm te maak. Dié verwarmer maak die kamer stadig en teen 'n konstante temperatuur

warm en die termostaat skakel die verwarmer af as die kamer sy verlangde temperatuur bereik het.

- 'n Verwarmer met 'n termostaat en 'n uitset van minder as 1 000W is die beste keuse om 'n kamer van 9 m² binne agt ure te verhit. Dié verwarmer verhoog geleidelik die temperatuur en die termostaat skakel die verwarmer af wanneer die kamer warm genoeg is.

Gebruik ligte wys:

- Vervang alle gloeilampe met energiebesparende CFL's of LED's en doen dieselfde met jou plafonligte (down lights).
- CFL's gebruik tot 80% minder energie as die tradisionele gloeilampe en hou tot agter langer.
- LED's gebruik tot 85% minder energie as die tradisionele gloeilampe.

Gebruik stowe en oonde wys:

- Hou die oonddeur toe totdat die kos gaar is.
- Gebruik die geskikte potte wat op grootte van die plate pas.
- Moenie die stoof gebruik om water vir koffie of tee te kook nie.
- Plaas gevriesde kos in die yskas om te ontdooi en moenie jou mikrogolfvoond gebruik om die kos te ontdooi nie.

- Gebruik slegs jou mikrogolfvoond om vir klein of medium hoeveelheid mense kos te maak.
- Gebruik jou drukkoker of prutpot vir geregte wat lank neem om gaar te word soos bredies of oondgeregte.

Gebruik jou wasmasjien wys:

- Wag tot jy 'n vol bondel wasgoed het voor jy die wasmasjien gebruik.



'n Waaiverwarmer met 'n termostaat is die beste keuse om vinnig 'n gemiddelde grootte kamer te verhit.

- Maak seker jou wasmasjien is reg gestel. Jy hoef nie die wasgoed op die grootste bondel te stel as jy min wasgoed het nie.
- Was slegs jou klere as hulle vuil is. Klere soos denims kan 'n paar keer aangetrek word voordat jy dit hoef te was.
- Dis nie nodig om warm water te

gebruik as jou klere nie regtig baie vuil is nie.

- Lees jou wasmasjien se handleiding sodat jy dit ekonomies kan gebruik.
- Moenie jou tuimeldroë gebruik op sonnige dae nie. Hang eerder jou klere buite op die wasgoeddraad.
- Vir nog wenke oor hoe om elektrisiteit te bespaar, besoek www.eskom.co.za



Sebenzisa umbane ngobuchule kwaye uwonge

UMasipala waseLangeberg ukhuthaza abahlali benciphise ukusebenzisa umbane ngexesha bonke abantu bawusebenzisa ngawo (ngo-5pm ukutya ku-9pm). Ngokutsalisa kunye, singasinciphisa isidingo sokuqhawulelwu umbane. Qalisa ngokucima izinto ezisebenzisa kakhulu umbane uze wenze eyakho indima yokugcina izibane zikhanya kwilizwe lethu. Ezingcebiso zilandelayo zisikhuthaza ukuba sisebenzise ngobuchule umbane, hayi nje ngokunciphisa uxenzelelo kwizikhululo zombane kodwa kananjalo nokuzongela nemali.

Sebenzisan iigiza ngobicbule

- Fakela igiza yakho kufutshane neendawo endlini yakho osebenzisa kuzo amanzi ashushu
- Yombathise igiza yakho nengubo yegiza
- Yibhijele imibhobho yamanzi kangangobude obungama-1.5 yeemitha ukususo nokuya kwigiza
- Musa ukuvulela amanzi ashushu abaleke kungekho sizathu yoko, soloko usebenzisa iziciko ezesesinki yegumbi lokuhlamba nasekhitshini
- Sebenzisa amanzi abandayo kwigumbi lokuhlamba lakho ukwenza izinto ezingxamisekileyo ezifana nokuhlamba izandla okanye ukuxukuxa amazinyo
- Sebenzisa amanzi abandayo ekhitshini ukuhlamba iziqhamo kunye nemifuno

Sebenzisa iihitha ngobuchule

- Ihita enethermostat yeyona ingcono kakhulu ukufudumeza msinyane igumbi elibukhulu buzi-3 x 3 x 2.5 yeemitha - ikhupha ubushushu ngokulinganayo kwaye nethermostat iyayicima lakufudumala kamnandi igumbi.
- Ihita ye-oyile enethermostat nekhupha malunga ne-2000W yeyona ingcono kakhulu ukufudumeza igumbi elibukhulu buzi-3 x 3 x 2.5 yeemitha kwiyyure ezintathu - ilifudumeza ngokucotha lithe chu kwaye ithermostat iyayicima xa lifudumele igumbi.
- Ihita enethermostat nekhupha ngokungaggithisanga kwi-1000W yeyona ingcono kakhulu ukufudumeza igumbi elibukhulu buzi-3 x 3 x 2.5 yeemitha kwiyyure ezsibhozo - ithi ngcembe



Fakela igiza yakho kufutshane neendawo endlini yakho osebenzisa kuzo amanzi ashushu

ukunyusa ubushushu kwaye ithermostat iyayicima xa igumbi lifikelele kwiqondo eliphezulu lobushushu

Sebenzisa izibane ngobuchule

- Ntshintshela izibane zakho eziphenza umbane omninzi ngezo zonga umbane i-CLFs kune ne-LEDs - wenza ngokunjalo nakwezo zifakelwa kupahla.
- Ii-CFL zisebenzisa umbane ukuya ku-80% nganeno kunezo zibane zisebenzisa kakhulu umbane futhi zihlala ngokokuphinda-phindwe kasibhozo.
- Ii-LEDs zisebenzisa umbane ukuya ku-85% nganeno kunezo zibane zesighelo zizebenzisa i-5% yombane nganeno kunezo ze-CFL.
- Sebenzisa izitovu kune nee-oveni ngobuchule
- Gcina umnyango we-oveni yakho uvaliwe kude kuvuthwe ukutya kwakho.
- Beka iimbiza ngokulingana nepleyeti

zesitovu.

- Kuphephe ukusebenzisa isistovu kwimisebenzi emincinci - efana nokubilisa amanzi ukwenza iti kunye nekofo.
- Beka ukutya okusenomkhence kwifriji ukukunyibilikisa - kuphephe ukunyibilikisa ukutya okunomkhence kwimakhrowayvi.
- Sebenzisa imakhrowayvi yakho ukupheka ukutya okungakuninzanga.
- Sebenzisa imbiiza eziphenza ngombane ezingabekwa esitovini ukupheka ukutya okuthatha ixesha elide ukuvuthwa - okutya okufana nesityu okanye ii-khaseroli.

Sebenzisa umatshini wokuhlamba kunye nowokomisa impahla ngobuchule

- Linda ude ube nomthwalo ogcweleyo wempahla phambi kokuba uyihlambe
- Qinisekisa ukuba umatshini wakho uwulinganisela ngokomthamo wempahla

ozakuyihlamba - akukho sizathu sokuba umatshini wakho uwubeke kumlinganiselo ophezulu ozakuhlamba ixesha elide kanti uzakuhlamba umthwalo omncinci wempahla.

- Kuphephe hlambla impahla ezimdaka - kanti zona izinto ezifana neejini ungazinxiba zona izihlandlo ezininzi phambi kokuba oyokuzifaka emanzini.
- Ukuhlamba ngamanzi abandayo kulungile - akukho sizathu sokusebenzisa amanzi ashushu ukuba ngaba impahla oyihlambayo ayingcolanga kakhulu.
- Qonda ukuba usebenza njani umatshini wakho - qinisekisa ukuba uwusebenzisa ngendlela apho eyongayo.
- Wucime umatshini wakho wokomisa impahla ngeemini ezelangala - sebenzisa ucingo lokomisa impahla endaweni yoko. Ngeenkucukacha malunga nendlela onokonga ngawo umbane tyelela ku-

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Water analysis: July 2020



| ANALYSES | ASHTON | BONNIEVALE | McGREGOR | MONTAGU | ROBERTSON | SANS 241-1 2015 |
|--|--------|------------|----------|---------|-----------|---|
| pH (at 25°C) | 6,68 | 7,11 | 7,08 | 7,33 | 6,94 | ≥ 5-≤ 9,7 Operational |
| Colour (mg/l as Pt) | <10 | <10 | <10 | 22 | <10 | ≤ 15 Aesthetic |
| Conductivity (mS/m) (at 25°C) | 31 | 37,8 | 12,9 | 43,5 | 8,88 | ≤ 170 Aesthetic |
| Turbidity (NTU) | 1,95 | 2,53 | 0,37 | 2,24 | 0,94 | ≤ 5 Aesthetic ≤ 1 Operational |
| Free Chlorine (mg/l) | 2,95 | 1,1 | 0,27 | 1,46 | 0,6 | ≤ 5,0 Chronic Health |
| Aluminium (ug/l asAl) | <50 | 82,4 | <50 | 105 | 81,4 | ≤ 300 Operational |
| Iron (ug/l asFe) | <20 | <20 | <20 | 105 | <20 | ≤ 300 Aesthetic ≤ 2 000 Chronic <0,05 Health |
| E.coli (count per 100 ml) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Not Detected Acute Health -1 |
| Total Coliform Bacteria (count per 100 ml) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ≤10 Operational |



ALL-in-SCHOOL

The Department of Basic Education published the amended school calendar for 2020 on 11 August 2020.

According to the calendar, learners in their different grades will return to school on different dates:

- 3 August:
 - Grade 12
 - School of Skill: Year 4
- 11 August:
 - Grade 7
- 24 August:
 - Grade R; Grade 1; Grade 2; Grade 3; Grade 4; Grade 6; Grade 9; Grade 10 and Grade 11
 - School of Skill: Year 1; Year 2; and Year 3
- 31 August:
 - Grade 5 and Grade 8

COVID-19 has caused unprecedented disruption to our daily lives.

The impact on our education system has been equally severe and learners and teachers now need to readjust to a new normal.

It is therefore important that parents and guardians send learners to school on the dates when they need to return and not keep learners at home unnecessarily. This would have an even more disruptive impact on the entire school.

The Langeberg Municipality encourages all learners to return to school in order for them to prepare for the year-end exam.

Working with the various school governing bodies, ward councillors, ward committee members and community policing forums in the different towns, we will monitor the situation to make sure that all learners who should be in school, are in school!

LET'S GET ALL LEARNERS BACK IN SCHOOL!



COVID-19

PREVENT AND PROTECT



WEAR A FACE MASK

When in public or public places, always wear a face mask. Make sure that it fits over your nose and under your chin.



WASH OR SANITIZE HANDS

Wash your hands as often as possible with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.



MAINTAIN PHYSICAL DISTANCE

Try to maintain a safe physical distance from others. When possible, keep a distance of at least 1.5-meters from others.



STAY AT HOME

Only leave your house for work, school or to do essential business like shopping and do not allow others to visit you.



COUGH/SNEEZE IN YOUR ELBOW

Cover your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or use a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Do not use your hand.

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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, or visit us at the Municipal Building, 28 Main Road, Ashton, 6750.

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Het u dalk enige voorstelle oor hoe ons ons kommunikasie met u kan verbeter? Of het u dalk navrae omtrent enige van ons artikels?

Kontak Willy-John Gordon by wgordon@langeberg.gov.za of besoek ons gerus by die munisipale gebou, Hoofweg 28, Ashton, 6715.

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Ingaba unazo kusini na iingcebiso malunga nendlela esinokuphucula ngalo unxibelwano kune nawe? Okanye, ingaba unemibozo ethile malunga nelinye lamanqaku ethu?
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