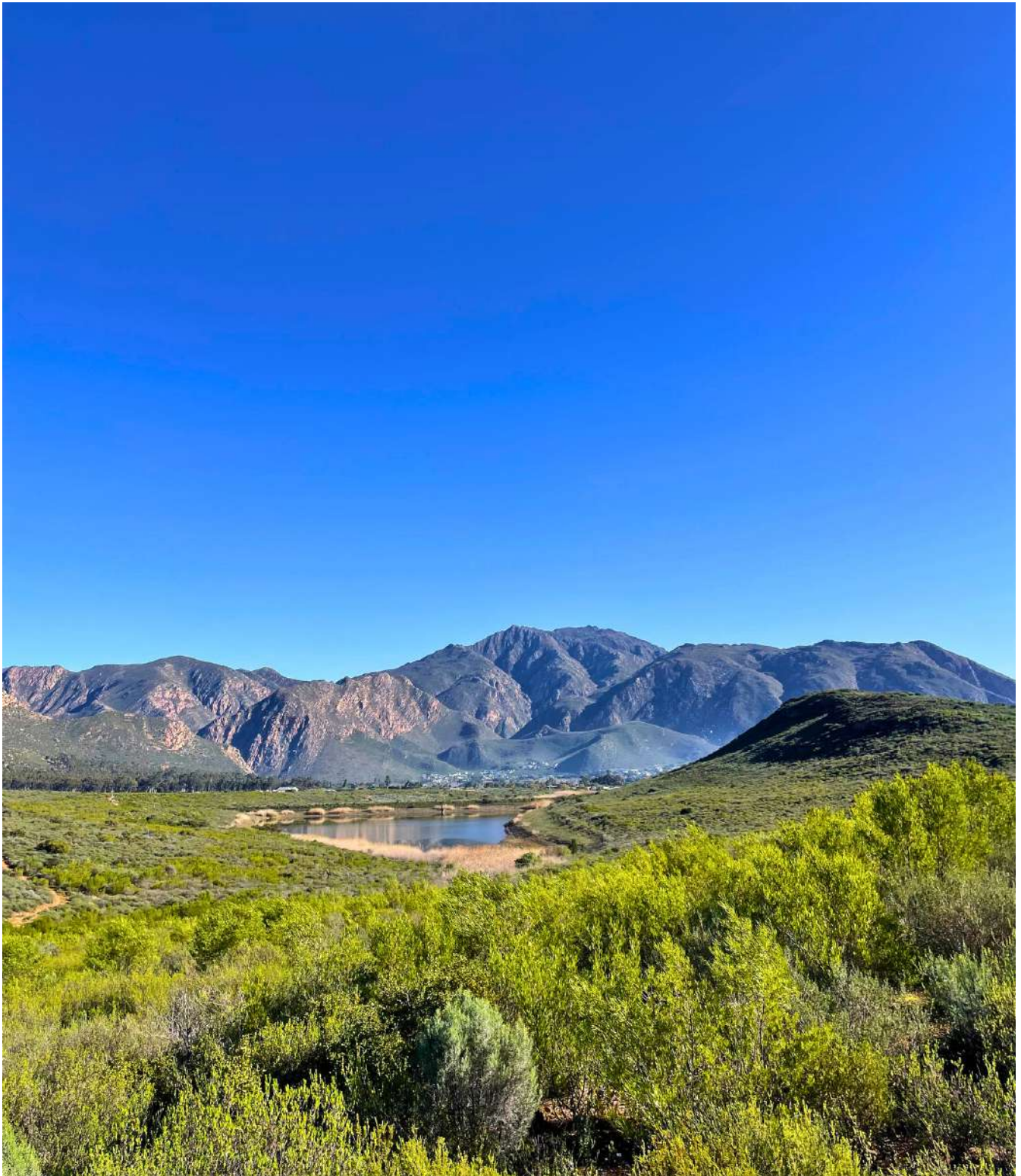


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MESSAGE FROM THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

MUNICIPAL MANAGER OF LANGEBERG MUNICIPALITY: MR DP LUBBE

As we commemorate Women's Month this August, we take the opportunity to honour the strength, resilience, and achievements of the women of our municipality and across South Africa. It is a time to reflect not only on the historic struggles of women for equality but also to celebrate their critical role in building communities, leading change, and shaping the future of our society.

Langeberg Municipality remains committed to empowering women through inclusive policies, opportunities for growth, and supporting initiatives that address gender-based challenges in our communities. We pay tribute to our women and the vital role that they play in our society.

Ward 4 Councillor Resignation and Upcoming By-Elections

We would like to inform the public that Cllr JJ Januarie has officially resigned as Ward Councillor for Ward 4. We thank Councillor Januarie for his service to the communities of Happy Valley, Mountain View, and Boekenhoutskloof.

In accordance with electoral processes, a By-Election has been scheduled for 15 October 2025 to elect a new Councillor who will represent the Ward 4 community. As part of the preparations for the by-election, the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) will conduct a voter education campaign, followed by a registration weekend on 30 and 31 August 2025.

We urge all eligible residents of Ward 4 to ensure they are registered to vote and to participate in selecting their new representative. Your voice matters in shaping the future of your community.

We wish Mr JJ Januarie all of the best with his future endeavours.

Integrated Development Plan (IDP) – Public Participation

Our team is currently finalising the IDP Process Plan, which outlines the schedule and procedures for reviewing and updating the municipality's Integrated Development Plan. Once advertised, residents are encouraged to actively participate by submitting inputs during the public participation phase.

Your feedback and ideas are crucial in ensuring that the IDP truly reflects the needs and aspirations of all communities across Langeberg Municipality. Public involvement helps us to direct resources where they are most needed and to plan sustainably for the future.

Ongoing Projects – Financial Year Rollovers

Several projects initiated in the previous financial year have officially rolled over into the 2025/2026 financial year. These projects will continue to be implemented and finalised in the coming months, and will also be reported on in future editions of our newsletter.

MESSAGE FROM THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

(CONTINUED)

We thank our project teams and contractors for their continued dedication to delivering quality infrastructure and services. Updates on specific projects and completion timelines will be communicated regularly through our municipal platforms.

Arrival of Auditor-General staff for 2024/25 Financial Year Audit

Representatives of the Auditor-General's Office held their first engagement meeting with Senior Management of the Municipality on 11 August 2025, to announce their arrival at Langeberg Municipality and to introduce their team for the 2024/25 financial year audit.

As Senior Management Team of the municipality we are committed to engage and work together with the Auditor-General's Office to once again achieve a clean audit outcome.

I also wish to touch on the successful recently held Langeberg Youth Expo 2025, held at the Ashton Town Hall. This event is fully covered elsewhere in the newsletter, but I wish to voice my sincere gratitude towards the various Government departments, institutions, organisations and private sector, which once again made this annual event a huge success, unlocking and guiding the potential of our youth towards new opportunities.

The Mandela Day Outreach Initiative is extensively covered in this edition of the newsletter, however, I feel it necessary to pay tribute to each and every one, Civil Society, Business, NGO's and municipal councillors and colleagues, who made Mandela Day and even the entire week of Mandela Day, a truly unforgettable experience in the true spirit of making a difference in the lives of our most vulnerable.

Two other projects, which I need to mention, and which are well covered elsewhere in this newsletter, is our "Connected Langeberg Project", which brings the Installation of the Local Area Network Fibre to High Mast Sites, and the unexpected Urgent Emergency Repairs of the Sinkhole in Robertson on the corner of Voortrekker and Reitz Streets.

Although Voortrekker Street is classified as a Provincial Road and the responsibility of Provincial Government, the Langeberg Municipality has taken the lead and responsibility for repairing this most strategic and economic corridor road immediately, with funding from our own maintenance funds in our municipal budget. The repairs are progressing well.

I wish all our readers well in the month lying ahead.
Stay blessed!

DP LUBBE
MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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Issued by the Western Cape Department of Social Development

35 LANGEBERG RESIDENTS JOIN GBV AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

The Western Cape Department of Social Development (DSD) launched its “12th Gender-Based Violence Ambassador programme” – this time for the Cape Winelands & Overberg regions – on the eve of National Women’s Day.

35 volunteers from Bonnievale, Ashton, Robertson, McGregor, and Zolani were officially welcomed as GBV Ambassadors on 8 August 2025 in Bonnievale. These residents will assist the department by providing information about support services available for survivors of abuse and domestic violence, and will help in raising awareness in their communities.

They will also refer domestic violence cases to the South African Police Service (SAPS) and local DSD offices. Some ambassadors will also volunteer at their nearest police station’s victim-friendly room.

Serra Nobel, a GBV Ambassador and safety parent from Bonnievale, said, “Many times I’ve found that women in need don’t know where to turn to for help. A programme like this is important because now women will have greater access to resources, and hopefully we can make a change within our community where GBV fades into the background, and is no longer as prominent.”

Langeberg Municipality Speaker Pauline Hess said, “Women’s Day is about empowering women. It is up to us as women in leadership to support and empower neglected women. We need women to stand up for themselves, but we also need so many more to become trained as GBV Ambassadors so they can stand up for others to make a real difference in society.” This latest cohort of volunteers brings the total number of ambassadors to over 350.

35 LANGE BERG RESIDENTS JOIN GBV AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

GBV Ambassador programmes are already well established and operating in the Swartland municipal area, Delft, Grabouw, Philippi, Heinz Park, Ceres, Central Karoo district, Cape Metro North (Dunoon, Bishop Lavis, Langa, Elsies River, and Fisantekraal), Berg River, Metro South (Manenberg, Heideveld, Lavender Hill, Steenberg, and Gugulethu), and Metro East (Kraaifontein, Khayelitsha, Eerste River, Mfuleni, and Somerset West).

Western Cape Minister of Social Development Jaco Londt said, "It never ceases to amaze me how many women stand up to make a meaningful difference in their communities. The majority of our GBV Ambassadors are women, highlighting the incredible contribution that women make to society – and nation-building. My hope is that one day we live in a world free of violence and abuse. But for now, I am grateful for the dedication of so many women who are helping the Western Cape Government in its efforts to strengthen support for GBV survivors and prevent the scourge."

He added, "I do want to plead with the boys and men out there to do their part in supporting, uplifting, and protecting girls and women. Let us step up to our responsibilities, not just in words but in actions. Thank you to all those who are already doing so. Let us work together to build a better Western Cape, and South Africa, for all – one that is equal and just."

To access more information about services offered by the Department for GBV victims, call our toll-free number on 0800 220 250, send an email to SD.CustomerCare@westerncape.gov.za or visit:

<https://www.westerncape.gov.za/social-development/service/victim-empowerment-programme>





MANDELA DAY OUTREACH IN LANGEBERG



In celebration of Mandela Day on 18 July 2025, the Langeberg Municipality joined hands with the Langeberg Christian Commerce Community Heart Network (LC3HN) on outreach activities across our local towns to make a difference in the lives of others.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to LC3HN for their collaborative efforts to bring together government departments, local businesses, and volunteers in a shared purpose to achieve meaningful change.

Among the key contributors were the South African Police Service (SAPS), the Department of Correctional Services, Municipal Health Services teams from the Cape Winelands District Municipality, Montagu Cares, and several other civic-minded organisations and residents who generously contributed their time and resources.

Initiatives on the day included cleaning neighbourhoods, to promote a healthier and cleaner environment, as well as distributing food, blankets, stationery and clothing to those in need.

Vulnerable members of the community were invited to assist in local clean-up operations, in exchange for soup and clothing coupons, to use at designated soup kitchens and second-hand distribution points on the day.

With any project, there are also behind-the-scenes volunteers that help coordinate activities, source and package donations, cook and serve meals, and clean up afterwards — your generosity made a significant difference.

"The success of these outreach efforts demonstrates the power of community collaboration in creating a better and more inclusive society for all," said SW van Eeden, Executive Mayor of the Langeberg Municipality. "The municipality expresses a heartfelt thank-you to everyone who participated and emphasises the importance of giving back. Whether by volunteering or donating, every contribution counts." As Mandela once said, 'What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead.'



PROGRESS OF SINKHOLE REPAIR IN ROBERTSON

The sinkhole that occurred at the intersection of Voortrekker Road and Reitz Street in Robertson on 17 July 2025 is currently under repair. Although Voortrekker Street is a Provincial road, Langeberg Municipality has taken responsibility for the repairs following the collapse of a sewer pipeline beneath the surface.

Causes of the Collapse

Following an in-depth investigation by WEC-Consult and Langeberg Municipality, it was found that a gradual structural failure of the old main sewer pipeline beneath the intersection led to the sinkhole.

The sequence of events is as follows:

- Aggressive sewer gases corroded the inner concrete lining of the reinforced concrete pipe, exposing and eventually disintegrating the embedded steel reinforcement.
- This corrosion weakened the pipe's structure, which ultimately collapsed under the weight of surrounding materials and traffic vibrations.
- The collapse allowed nearby sand to be drawn into the sewer system, creating a growing underground void.
- Over time, this void expanded until the road surface could no longer support traffic, resulting in the sudden formation of the sinkhole.

Progress of Repairs

Emergency measures were quickly implemented to secure the site and divert sewage flow. The collapsed section of the pipeline has been replaced with a 6-meter Class 12 PVC pipe, and a new prefabricated concrete manhole is currently being constructed. Road reconstruction is underway following Provincial Road standards, ensuring long-term durability and safety. It is expected that the repair work will be completed by 15 August 2025.

Recommendations for Future Prevention

To prevent similar incidents, the following actions are advised:

1. Conduct detailed inspections of the adjacent sewer infrastructure to identify other vulnerable sections.
2. Implement regular CCTV inspections and gas detection monitoring to identify early signs of corrosion.
3. Replace old concrete sewer pipes with corrosion-resistant materials such as PVC or HDPE.
4. The recommendations are dependent on the availability of funding

Langeberg Municipality thanks the public for their patience and cooperation during this time. The safety of road users and the stability of infrastructure remain the municipality's highest priorities.

POTHOLE REPAIR PROGRAMME

JULY PROGRESS REPORT

4,847 TOTAL POTHoles REPAIRED



Langeberg Municipality urges the community to log complaints about 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

Roads with high volume of traffic are prioritised.

All potholes reported will receive attention according to the programme that is updated monthly.

The Civil works team does their best to stay on schedule, but it is subject to the weather and other urgent matters requiring the team's attention, such as pipe bursts, stormwater issues and equipment breakdowns.



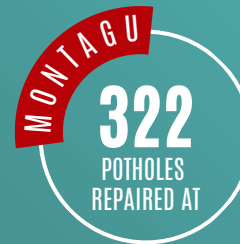
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7 - Magnolia
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18 - Acacia
14 - Protea
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13 - Mketsu
9 - Khuse
8 - Mbeka
22 - Iris
13 - Ranonkel
55 - Riviera
4 - Dudumashe Ave
3 - Majola
18 - Building
18 - Barry
97 - Faure



24 - Hill
RSF - Abattoir
44 - New Cross
41 - Kelkiewyn
20 - Bloekom
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18 - Karob
39 - Viooltjie
93 - Leeubekkie
44 - Waterkant



10 - Kerk
7 - Tindall
9 - Kantoor
5 - Barry
4 - Bree
9 - Loop



12 - Akasia Ave
9 - Denne Ave
4 - Olyfboom Ave
21 - Le Roux
23 - Palm
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25 - Sipres Ave
16 - Geelhout Ave
31 - Bloekom Ave
16 - Geelhout Ave
32 - Wilhelm Thys
14 - Du Preez
42 - Eike
14 - Strydom
9 - Ismael
8 - Park
11 - Joubert
7 - Piet Retief
13 - Bad
11 - Thompson



36 - Jeneke
229 - Le Roux
683 - Paddy
33 - Johan de Jong
520 - Heide Ave
188 - Albert
RSF - Adderley
211 - Polack
908 - Tindall
35 - Coetzee
22 - Swellendam
142 - Kort
211 - Industria
199 - Lang
RSF - Ceder Ave
RSF - Van Zyl
29 - Kerk
26 - Hoop

*RSF: Resurfacing work done

PROJECT UPDATE

Capital projects are identified through the Integrated Development Planning (IDP) public participation process and prioritised based on community needs and available resources.

TENDER 01/2025: MAINTENANCE WORK AT THE ASHTON WATER TREATMENT WORKS



Project Status: Refurbishment and repair of the old inlet works and sedimentation tanks, with the draw-off pipes will be completed by 15 August 2025. Three of the six rapid gravity filters are completed and functioning. All electrical and mechanical refurbishment work will commence in September 2025. The project completion is currently at 60%.

Contractor: Tess Engineers RSA (Pty) Ltd

Tender Value: R 5 090 938,17

Location: Ashton

Commencement Date: 25 June 2025

Estimated Completion Date: 25 October 2025

TENDER 54/2024: UPGRADE OF BATH AND CROSS STREET INTERSECTION, MONTAGU



Project Status: All underground services (water, sewer and stormwater) have been replaced and completed. The intersection is currently being paved and will be complete by end of August. Resurfacing of the roads is in progress. The project completion is currently 60%.

Contractor: Minkigen

Tender Value: R 3 340 940.80

Location: Montagu

Commencement Date: 10 April 2025

Estimated Completion Date: 25 September 2025

TENDER No.36/2024 – PIPE REPLACEMENT



Project Status: Started with site establishment and inspected the pipeline. Replacement work is scheduled to begin in mid-August 2025.

Contractor: Trenchless Technologies

Tender Value: R 5,295 366.54 Vat inclusive.

Location: Dirkie Uys-, Adderley-, Constitution-, Church-, Buren-, Eben Donges, Van Zyl and Voortrekker Street in Robertson.

Commencement Date: July 2025

Estimated Completion Date: September 2025



LANGERBERG MUNICIPALITY TAKES A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS SMART CITY VISION WITH SUCCESSFUL CONNECTIVITY ROLLOUT

The Langeberg Municipality has successfully implemented the first phase of a project readiness assessment and installation of local area network fibre to municipal high mast sites.

The first phase of the project ran from 10 February 2025 to 30 June 2025 and achieved several milestones towards the Municipality's broader Information and Communication Technology (ICT) strategy and Smart City vision.

The appointed contractor, AMG Connekt (Pty) Ltd, operated under the oversight of a multidisciplinary project team made up of ICT specialists, civil engineers, and electrical engineers.

This collaborative approach ensured adherence to all technical standards, even if it meant project delays, as no party wanted to compromise quality on behalf of the Langeberg community.

Firstly, a comprehensive readiness assessment was conducted to ensure the successful implementation of fibre connectivity from Municipal offices to municipal high mast sites in Ashton, Robertson, Bonnievale, and Montagu.

McGregor was excluded as there is no erected Municipal high mast site, with extensive community engagement still required.

The bulk civil work involved challenging long-distance trenching in mountainous and rocky terrain.

The project team also ensured full sidewalk restoration, including tar and concrete reinstatement where applicable. The community played a key role by actively engaging with the Municipality's call centre, which efficiently handled all public inputs and complaints.

Finally, the underground fibre was installed from the existing Municipality high mast sites to the four Langeberg Municipal offices. Despite technical challenges with fibre connectivity, this process was completed with the utmost quality output to ensure a stable, fast, and reliable network connectivity.

With this foundational infrastructure now in place, the Municipality is well aligned to digitise government services by leveraging Smart services on Municipality-owned network infrastructure.

The possibilities includes:

- Commercialised public Wi-Fi networks
- The broadening of Municipality services to other Government entities in the Langeberg region,
- Smart emergency, safety and security systems, such as CCTV and Two-way Digital Radio Communication Networks.

Ultimately, this project will contribute to a connected Langeberg, serving as a foundational element of the Smart City initiative, aimed at fostering interconnected, integrated, and digitised services to serve our residents better.



MUNICIPAL FACILITY BOOKING: RULES AND GUIDELINES YOU NEED TO KNOW

Planning to host an event at a municipal facility? Whether you're organising a church service, sports event, cultural gathering, or private function, it's essential to understand and follow the official booking procedures. Here's a summarised guide to help you navigate the process smoothly and avoid any surprises.

HOW TO SECURE A BOOKING

- First, check with the booking officer for hall availability.
- Complete an application form and make a deposit payment at least 48 hours before the booking date for local organisations and seven days for outside organisations.
- Weekend bookings for halls must be finalised, and EFT payments must be reflected by Wednesdays at 12:00—no exceptions.
- Weekend bookings of sports fields must be paid in full (EFT payments must reflect) by Wednesday at 12:00—no exceptions.
- For any event with an expected number of persons exceeding 50 people, an event application form has to be submitted, at least two months before the actual event date, to tourism@langeberg.gov.za. A preliminary booking can be made and will be subject to the event's approval.
- The hiring amount varies according to the facility category and the nature of the function as displayed on the municipal sundry tariff list for Community facilities.

- A refundable deposit and an opening/closing fee are applicable with hall hire.
- The application form and receipt of payment must be shown to the Caretaker at the facility.

RESERVATION CONDITIONS

- Subletting is strictly prohibited. Facilities may only be used for the purpose stated in the application.
- Different parts of a hall or sports ground may be rented to different organisations based on the nature of the event.
- Reservations are considered on a month-to-month basis and are subject to hall availability.
- Traditional and religious functions are approved as per the tariff list.
- The municipality has the right to cancel any booking at any time for municipal-related use.
- Deposit payments will be refunded if found that no damages have been incurred.
- The lessee is responsible for safeguarding their assets while utilising the community hall; the municipality cannot be held liable for any losses of the lessee due to the use of the community hall.

TIME RESTRICTIONS

- Hall bookings must end by 23:45, and the premises vacated by 00:30 or the deposit will be forfeited.
- Sports field bookings end by 22:00, with clean-up and exit by 23:00 or the deposit will be forfeited.

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE MUNICIPAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND BOOKING INFORMATION.

MUNICIPAL FACILITY BOOKING: RULES AND GUIDELINES YOU NEED TO KNOW (CONTINUED)

RESPONSIBILITY & DAMAGES

If the facility is rented by an individual, organisation/club/body, the management and/or committee members of that organisation/club/body accept responsibility, collectively and separately, for the facility.

Lessees must:

- Give written notice of defects to the caretaker when taking possession of the facility. Conduct a physical inspection of the facility with the caretaker and ensure any damages are recorded on the inspection form.
- Ensure the hiring conditions and safety protocols are adhered to at all times as per the Hiring and Booking Policy.
- A written request for the sale of liquor at the specific facility, with details of the event, should be sent to the Director of Community Services. Temporary liquor licences are applied for and issued via SAPS. Proof of the temporary licence must be submitted to the Director of Community Services before the event transpires, and a copy should be displayed clearly in the sales area identified by the municipality at the facility.
- The facility must be cleaned and returned to the original condition by 10:00 the following morning.
- Take responsibility for any damages caused during use. Pay for any damage or loss, first deducted from the deposit if not repaired within 7 days.
- Exempt the lessor from any liability for damage or loss of any property or equipment of the lessee while it is on the premises of the lessor, and the lessee must remove any property/equipment immediately after the conclusion of the function.

Additional Sports Field responsibilities:

- The pre- and post-event inspection list must be completed by the lessee and signed for.
- Disaster Management and Health, Safety at Sports and Recreational Events Act, 2010 and National Health Act, 2003 (Act no. 61 of 2003) regulations must be adhered to.
- Additional ablution facilities must be hired by the lessee where so specified by the Municipality.
- No vehicles (with the exception of municipal, emergency and delivery vehicles) and heavy structures that would damage the fields' surfaces are allowed on fields.

STRICTLY PROHIBITED

The following are not allowed; the Lessee will forfeit his deposit, and legal actions may be instituted.

- No drugs, weapons, or obscene language.
- No smoking – all municipal buildings are smoke-free zones.
- No selling alcohol without a valid liquor license, which must be displayed during the event.
- No playing unauthorised music not covered by the South African Music Rights Organisation (SAMRO).
- Music must not exceed 185 decibels.
- No nails, screws, or hooks on any part of the facility or fixed in such a manner that causes damage.
- No removal of municipal furniture or appliances.
- No exceeding the maximum number of people allowed per facility.

INSPECTION & ENFORCEMENT

- Supervisory officials of the Council may enter venues at any time to inspect and monitor.
- The caretaker will conduct an inspection of the venue before and after use with the lessee.
- Non-compliance with rules may lead to immediate cancellation of the booking, early closure on receipt of community complaints, loss of all payments made and/or legal consequences for serious offences.

REFUND & CANCELLATION

- Cancellation to be requested at least 48 hours before the event or R20 + 20% of the payment will be retained as per the Hiring and Booking Policy.
- Should the Lessee neglect to adhere to any of the conditions or refuse to carry out any instruction given by an authorized official or fail to keep the good order or to exhibit proper conduct and where the property of the lessor is placed in jeopardy, the authorized official may cancel the lease forthwith and retain all payments made by the Lessee.

For a safe, successful, and compliant event, always consult with the municipal office when booking and adhere strictly to these guidelines. Let's work together to maintain our community spaces responsibly!



LANGEBERG YOUTH EXPO 2025 EMPOWERS AND INSPIRES LOCAL YOUTH

For the second consecutive year, Langeberg Municipality hosted its annual Youth Expo on 24 July 2025 at the Ashton Town Hall, a vibrant space created to inform, inspire, and empower the region's young people.

The event brought together 32 exhibitors, including government departments, educational institutions, training providers, NGOs, and businesses, all focused on youth development. Young people engaged directly with representatives, explored career paths, and received guidance on employment, education, and entrepreneurship.

Mrs. Celeste Matthys, Director of Economic, Social and Integrated Development Services, opened the expo by welcoming all attendees and encouraging them to make the most of the opportunity. "Ask, explore, and gather as much information as you can. If you need any additional information, our staff is here to help. Leave your contact details so we can follow up and assist you further," she said.

"Today marks the start of inspired action, bold choices, and big dreams," said Alderman Christopher Grootboom, Deputy Mayor. "This is your moment; make it count. Your future is in your hands, and today you're in the right place, with the right people. Use this opportunity, because it only comes once a year." He also thanked the exhibitors for their continued support of the event.

The expo covered a wide range of themes tailored to the challenges and aspirations of youth in the Langeberg region. Many attendees expressed appreciation for being able to speak face-to-face with people who could guide them and offer concrete next steps.

The aim was to create a space where young people could access practical information and connect with organisations to help build a brighter future. Langeberg Municipality extends its heartfelt thanks to every exhibitor, partner, and young participant who helped make Youth Expo 2025 a meaningful and memorable event.

LANGEBERG YOUTH EXPO 2025 IN PHOTOS



FROM LANGEBERG TO THE BAXTER: CREATIVE STORIES OF THE WESTERN CAPE



On Friday, 25 July 2025, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport (DCAS) launched its 15th Annual DCAS Drama Festival at Happy Valley Community Hall in Bonnievale.

The Executive Mayor of Langeberg Municipality, Ald. SW Van Eeden, warmly welcomed the gathering. In his opening remarks, he thanked the youth for “ensuring that the arts do not die” and expressed appreciation to DCAS for selecting Langeberg to host “this award-winning festival.”

Drama groups from across the Garden Route, West Coast, Overberg, and Cape Winelands Districts were called to enter earlier this year, under the 2025/26 theme “Creative Stories of the Western Cape. The Robertson Drama Club, Dream Team and Bonnievale Culture Project represented the Langeberg Municipal area.

The festival is Western Cape’s most celebrated platform for youth artistic expression and aims to uncover exceptional productions, provide further development, and showcase the province’s most powerful grassroots narratives

told through the voices and talents of young community performers.

The festival is driven by the support of the Suidooesterfees, Kunste Onbeperk (KKNK), and The Baxter Theatre, which plays a critical dual role in adjudicating the performances and further developing young artists.

The true highlight of the day was a standout performance by a group of 13-year-old artists from Zwelethemba. Their emotional and electric stage presence held the audience captive. One spectator described the performance as “breathtaking” and praised the young performers for “having the audience eating out of their hands.”

Finalists will now proceed to participate in the DCAS Production Development Workshop in October 2025, where skills in acting, directing, writing, and production management will be refined and elevated in preparation for a public performance at the prestigious Baxter Theatre in January 2026.

PLANNING AN EVENT

Contact Ms I Cook : 023 626 8214
E-mail: tourism@langeberg.gov.za



DOES MY EVENT NEED TO FOLLOW AN APPLICATION PROCESS?

Contact us regarding your proposed event in the Langeberg Municipal area.

If it's determined that your event needs to follow the application process, an application form must be completed with all relevant documents, in terms of the Event Requirements list.

Download the event application forms here.

Submit the application together with proof of payment to tourism@langeberg.gov.za.

Event applications should reach the municipal office, 2 months prior to the event date.

EVENT APPLICATION FEES:

50 - 500 people	R500
501 - 2000 people	R1 500
2 001 - 5 000 people	R2 000
5 001 + people	R2 500

I NEED A VENUE FOR MY EVENT

Click to view municipal venues for hire

- 
- Community Halls
 - Sport Facilities
 - Swimming Pool

For private venue hire options contact the Langeberg Tourism Associations for assistance.

NON-COMPLIANCE PENALTY

To maintain compliance with the Langeberg Municipality: Events By-law, a R2500 fine may apply should an event be held without the required permit, disturb the neighboring community, residents, or environment, or violate the by-law, condition, or other law that the municipality is responsible for enforcing.

WHERE CAN I ADVERTISE MY EVENT?

Contact the Langeberg Tourism Associations to advertise your event on their platforms:

- Tourism Association Websites
- Tourism Association Facebook page, Instagram, Info Whatsapp groups
- Tourism Association WhatsApp Channel: Experience Langeberg
- Tourism Association Langeberg Calendar

Montagu/Ashton Tourism Office



27 Bath Str, Montagu, 6720
023 614 2471 / 023 614 2728
info@montagu-ashton.info
www.montagu-ashton.info

Bonnievale Tourism Office



92 Main Rd, Bonnievale, 6730
079 914 8357
manager@bonnievaletourism.co.za
www.bonnievaletourism.co.za

McGregor Tourism Office



Cnr of Church & Voortrekker Str.
071 752 4917
info@tourismmcgregor.co.za
www.tourismmcgregor.co.za

Robertson Tourism Office



2 Reitz Str, Robertson, 6705
023 626 4437
info@robertson.org.za
www.robertsontourism.co.za

ADVERTISE WITH LAMP POLE POSTERS AND/OR BANNERS

Once your event is approved with all other stakeholders, you may apply for the display of Banners and/or posters over 21 days(3 weeks). Contact Ms S Jansen to apply.
023 615 8002 ; sjansen@langeberg.gov.za

 Click here to read the Municipal Events By-Law



MUNICIPAL NOTICES

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN DISRUPTIONS IN ROBERTSON

Langeberg Municipality is in the process of rehabilitating the existing raw water pipelines in Robertson as part of Tender No.36/2024 – Pipe replacement. These works may require partial road closures for on-site excavations during July to September 2025 at Dirkie Uys-, Adderley-, Constitution-, Church-, Buren-, Eben Donges, Van Zyl and Voortrekker Street.

Please follow traffic signage and detours and report any concerns such as uneven reinstatement, property/vehicle risk, or safety issues to the on-site contractor, TRENCHLESS TECHNOLOGIES, at 076 982 9991 / 074 282 5757 / 069 717 4711.

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APPLICATION FOR GRANT IN AID

Applications for Grant in Aid in Langeberg are being accepted from deserving individuals in categories such as Solid Waste, Social Development, Youth, Sports and Recreation, Environment, and Health (in terms of the Municipality's Grant in Aid Policy).

The application forms and all required documents must be marked as "Grant-in-Aid Application" and provided to any Langeberg Municipal Office by Friday, 29 August 2025. No late applications will be considered. For further information please contact Mrs I Cook by 023 626 8214.

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CHRIS VAN ZYL HALL, BONNIEVALE IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED FROM 08 – 27 AUGUST 2025 FOR ESSENTIAL FLOORING REPAIRS

We apologize for any inconvenience caused and appreciate your understanding while we work to improve our facilities. For further inquiries, please contact Mr Gert Williams at 023 616 8000.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF LE CHASSEUR DUAL-PURPOSE LIBRARY

Le Chasseur Dual- Purpose Library is temporarily closed for renovations by the school as from 30 July to 30 August 2025. The public and all stakeholders will be informed about the new date of the library's re-opening should the renovations to the library be completed earlier. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

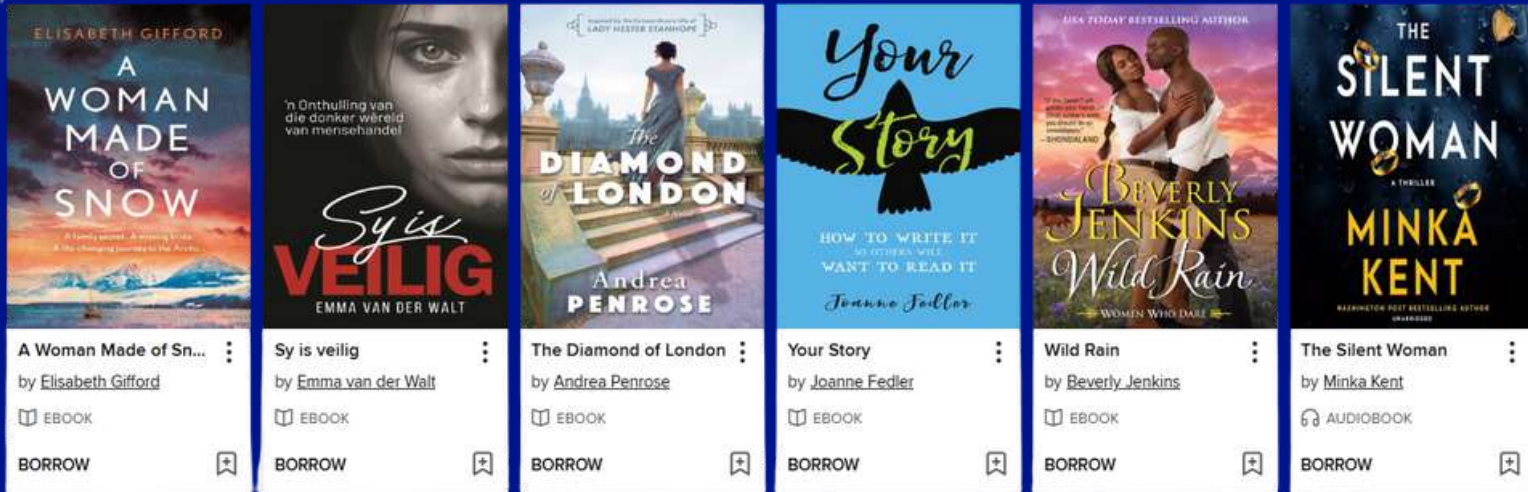
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Women's Month

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WATER RESULTS - JULY 2025



TREATED WATER	REQUIREMENT MEASUREMENT BLUE DROP STANDARDS	ASHTON	BONNIEVALE	MCGREGOR	MONTAGU	ROBERTSON
Inflow ML		120		14		130
pH (at 25°C)	≥5.00 - ≤9.70	6.75	6.14	6.08	7.09	5.83
Conductivity (at 25°C)	≤170	26.3	25.8	8.9	29.8	6.2
Turbidity (NTU)	≤1.0 Operational ≤5.0 -Aeshetic	1.3	5.1	0.92	0.48	7.2
Colour (mg/L as Pt)	≤15	<4	<4	<4	4	6
Aluminium (µg/L as Al)	≤300	316	645	336	202	461
Iron (µg/L as Fe)	≤300 Aesthetic ≤2000 Chronic Health	23	605	21	<20	64
Free Chlorine (mg/L)	>0.0 - ≤5	0.75	1.3	0.18	1.2	0.91
E.Coli (cnt/100ml)	Not Detected	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Total Coliform Bacteria	≤10	34	<1	<1	<1	<1

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WATER RESULTS



LANGEBERG MUNICIPAL DAM LEVELS: 12 AUGUST 2025

All towns in Langeberg are encouraged to continue to use water sparingly to ensure a sustainable water supply of this valuable resource.

ROBERTSON

59%

DASSIESHOEKDAM

100%

KOOSKOKDAM

MONTAGU

27%



BO-DAM

78%

ONDER-DAM

MCGREGOR

95%

VAALDAM

92%

ROOIDAM

100%

DRINKWATERDAM

ASHTON

90%

STOORDAM

ALL TOWNS

73%

78% Last year

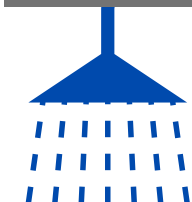
BRANDVLEI DAM

**PLEASE REPORT
WATER MISUSE
AND LEAKS AT
0860 88 11 11**

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 laundry to: flush toilet, wash car, clean floor and water the garden.

CLIMATE CHANGE

IMPACTS OUR WATER RESOURCES



Climate change significantly impacts water resources worldwide, affecting availability, quality, and the frequency of water-related hazards like floods and droughts.

Although we do not have direct control over the effects of climate change, we do have control over our water usage and how water is used during drought periods.

Each individual has the responsibility to adapt to manage and minimise the impact of climate change.

HOW CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS WATER RESOURCES:

The warmer temperatures increase the rate of water evaporation, which affects the amount of rainfall causing drought in some areas and excess precipitation in others.

Water runoff and flooding increase, reducing the quality of water causing health risks and damage to water system infrastructure. It also disrupts food supply.

WHAT CAN I DO?

Reduce water consumption



Take short showers and turn off taps while washing, brushing and shaving.



Fix leaking taps, pipes and toilets.



Install water-saving toilet flush systems.



Choose WaterSense-labeled fixtures and appliances like showerheads and dishwashers.

Reuse water from baths, showers and laundry to flush the toilet, wash the car, clean the floor and water the garden.



Install rain tanks.



Conserve energy, opt for energy-efficient appliances and switch to LED lighting.



Embrace renewable energy like solar power for your home.



Reduce water pollution, by properly disposing of waste, avoid excessive fertilizers, and clean up pet waste to prevent runoff into waterways.



Minimise waste and recycle materials to reduce your carbon footprint.



Plant trees to absorb carbon dioxide. Create water-wise gardens with drought-resistant plants and indigenous vegetation. Use a drip irrigation systems.



Limit travel, walk, bike, use public transport or carpool, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**SMALL ACTIONS MAKE A BIG IMPACT
LET'S FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE TOGETHER!**

DON'T TREAT YOUR DRAIN LIKE A BIN

Help prevent blocked toilets, sinks, and drains by disposing of waste properly. Use the bin, not the drain.



Drain blockages remain one of the top monthly complaints in Langeberg Municipality. From January to July 2025, the call centre received 1,765 reports of sewer blockages, many caused by foreign objects being dumped into the sewer system.

These blockages and overflows pose serious health risks to people and the environment and significantly disrupt service delivery. The valuable hours that Civil Engineering teams spend unblocking drains could instead be used to improve and maintain other essential municipal services in our area.

Most blockages can be avoided by following a few simple waste disposal habits.

Do not flush food waste down the sink, drain, or toilet:

- Fruit and vegetable scraps and eggshells can be composted instead.
- Peels decompose slowly and can easily get stuck in pipes.
- Use a sink strainer to catch food particles and prevent them from causing blockages.

Keep fats and oils out of our sewers:

- Wipe excess grease off pots and pans with a paper towel before washing.
- Store leftover oil in a container; do not pour it down the drain or toilet.
- Fats and oils solidify when cooled, building up on the inside of pipes like glue and leading to major blockages over time.

Only flush toilet paper, nothing else:

- Rags, plastic, glass, and other non-degradable items do not break down.
- Nappies and sanitary products expand in water and cause blockages.
- Even small items such as wipes, earbuds, condoms, and hair can clump together and block the pipes.
- Ensure your gutters are not connected to the sewer system, as rainwater overloads the network and causes overflows.

My drain is blocked or overflowing—who is responsible?

Homeowners are responsible for blockages on their property. The municipality is responsible for the main sewer line and the treatment of sewage.

To determine who must address the issue, check the sewer manhole located about one metre inside your property boundary:

- If the blockage is on your side of the manhole, a commercial plumber must be called.
- If it is on the municipal side, the municipality is responsible.
- You may also report the issue to Langeberg Municipality. A team will be sent to assess the cause.

For assistance, contact the Langeberg 24/7 Call Centre :

- Call: 0860 88 1111
- WhatsApp: 065 211 7822
- Collab Citizen App: <https://onelink.to/jjzt2k>
- E-mail: info@langeberg.gov.za

Report a fire fast!



WINTER IS A TIME OF INCREASED STRUCTURAL FIRES. FOLLOW THESE FIRE SAFETY TIPS

1. Heating Safety

- Use heaters safely: Keep paraffin or gas heaters at least 1 meter away from bedding, curtains, and furniture.
- Never leave heaters unattended: Turn them off before sleeping or leaving the room.
- Check for leaks: Regularly inspect gas cylinders and connections for leaks using soapy water.

2. Cooking Precautions

- Cook outside when possible: Avoid indoor open-flame cooking in poorly ventilated spaces.
- Supervise cooking fires: Never leave pots unattended on open flames or stoves.
- Keep flammable items away: Store matches, paraffin, and other flammables safely out of children's reach.

3. Electrical Safety

- Avoid overloading plugs: Use one appliance per socket and avoid using damaged cords.

- Turn off appliances: Unplug heaters, kettles, and stoves when not in use.

4. Candle & Open Flame Safety

- Use safe holders: Place candles in sturdy holders away from curtains and bedding.
- Extinguish before bed: Never sleep with candles or open flames burning.

5. Emergency Preparedness

- Keep water or sand nearby in case of a small fire, this can help contain it quickly.
- Know emergency numbers: Save the local fire department's contact info.
- Create escape routes: Ensure clear paths to exit in case of fire.

REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING:

Waste can fuel fires. Report illegal dumping to the municipal 24/7 Call Centre : 0860 88 1111

REPORT FIRES:

Report a fire to the dedicated fire line : 023 615 8911

SERVICE REQUEST REPORT

JULY 2025

NUMBER OF SERVICE REQUESTS
RECEIVED BY THE CALL CENTRE

1957



799 (PHONE CALL)



983 (WHATSAPP)



102 (IN PERSON)



31 (E-MAIL)



9 (2-WAY RADIO)



15 (APP)



18 (LETTER)

SERVICE REQUESTS/ COMPLAINTS PER TOWN

ASHTON

453

BONNIEVALE

308

McGREGOR

115

MONTAGU

322

ROBERTSON

759

TOP REQUESTS/ COMPLAINTS

84

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 2, Robertson

66

Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 10, Ashton

56

Civil (Septic Tanks)
Ward 8, Bonnievale

37

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 4, Bonnievale

36

Electrical (Power Failures)
Ward 9, Ashton

34

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 1, Robertson

33

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 9, Ashton

33

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 3, Robertson

28

Civil (Septic Tanks)
Ward 5, McGregor

26

Civil (Sewerage Blockages)
Ward 10, Ashton

26

Electrical (Street Lights Out of Order)
Ward 2, Robertson

HOW TO REPORT A COMPLAINT?

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

HOE MOET EK 'N KLAGTE AANMELD?

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

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- Tsalela: 0860 88 1111 / 023 615 2219
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- I-imeyile: complaints@langeberg.gov.za

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DID YOU KNOW?



YOU CAN ALSO INBOX US YOUR SUGGESTIONS, QUESTIONS AND NON-EMERGENCY SERVICE REQUESTS DURING OFFICE HOURS ON ANY OF THE ABOVE PLATFORMS.

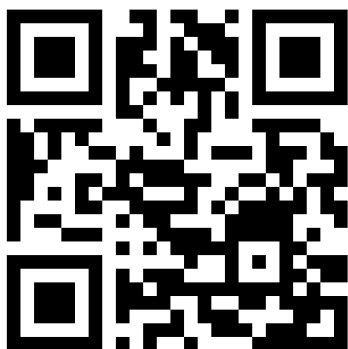
CONNECT WITH LANGEBERG



COLLAB CITIZEN

Easily log service requests, including a GPS location pin, description, and images. Users will also be able to monitor the progress of logged service requests.

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WHATSAPP CHANNEL

Stay up to date with municipal news, service related issues, and events in the Langeberg Municipal area.

CLICK HERE OR SCAN QR CODE TO FOLLOW OUR CHANNEL



MY MUNICIPAL METERS

Submit and keep track of your municipal water and electricity meter readings. View a full history of your readings on record. Analyse your consumption

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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



A big thank you - Water meter fixed

Good day. A big thank you to everyone involved for their swift assistance in getting the water meter fixed yesterday, 3 August. We were informed of the problem overnight, and we logged a request before 8 am yesterday. We received the reference number, and the team went out to resolve the issue. The team followed up with us during the day and gave feedback on the progress. We appreciate the professionalism and manner in which this was handled.



Our weekly visit from the Bonnievale Library!

Every Wednesday, Jemina Kleinbooi, our local librarian, brings our residents at Herfsvreugde Tehuis a variety of books from the public library to choose from and enjoy. Reading remains a precious pleasure, and thanks to Jemina's faithful visits, our residents can continue to delight in stories, gain knowledge and relive old favourites. Thank you very much, Jemina, for your love and effort - it is truly appreciated!



Dankie vir die skenking

Namens die NGK Montagu gemeente wil ons u graag opreg bedank vir die ruimhartige skenking van komberse, pakkies en ingelege vrugte aan ons lidmate in nood wat u tydens Mandela maand afgelewer het. Hierdie bydrae het 'n groot verskil gemaak in die lewens van elkeen wat iets ontvang het, en natuurlik veral gedurende die koue winter wanneer die meeste ondersteuning benodig.

Ons waardeer die ondersteuning van die munisipaliteit opreg en erken die impak wat sulke gebare van omgee en betrokkenheid het op gemeenskap welstand. Die komberse en toiletware pakkies is met groot dankbaarheid ontvang. Baie dankie vir u deurlopende betrokkenheid by ons gemeenskap en die toewyding aan die welstand van ons mense.

**Your comments and compliments can help us to improve
the services we provide to all our customers.**

If you would like to make a specific or general comment, or leave a compliment for our staff or a particular department, we would be delighted to receive this.

Email us at info@langeberg.gov.za

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 - 112
- 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 - 023 814 2704/ 2709
- 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



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COMMAND CENTRE**
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