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Press Statement

CDW induction workshop

The office of the Speaker in the Lephalale Local Municipality held an induction programme at Mogol Function Hall on 17 and 18 January 2017. The two day programme was to orientation the newly elected ward committee members and Community Development Workers (CDWs), about their roles and responsibilities, which was facilitated by CoGHSTA.

According to Lephalale Local Municipality Speaker, Cllr Reggie Molokomme, ward committees need to have monthly meetings to report to the councillors on challenges and grievances in communities and to develop a new effective reporting method.

Molokomme also said that, Ward Communities play a critical role in linking and informing, serve as advisory body, form a bridge between local municipalities and communities, participation in the IDP processes, encourage communities to participate in the affairs of the municipalities, ensure communities understand and adhere to municipal by-law.

In her closing remarks, Acting Mayor, Cllr Louisa Shongwe, said Ward Committees are the ears and eyes of municipalities, they are the government's foot soldiers and it is their responsibility to assist government in delivering services to the people. "They don't replace councillors and Community Development Workers (CDWs); they should supplement them. They should assist our Councillors to implement "Back to Basics" programmes. We don't expect any competition for political space between CDWs, Councillors and Ward Committees" Shongwe said.

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