

## 06 MAY 2025

## **IDP CONSULTATION MEETING - CLUSTER 3**

Lephalale Local Municipality conducted the 2025/2026 Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and Budget roadshow session at Shongoane Stadium on 06 May 2025, as mandated by legislation. The meeting centred on the Shongoane Cluster, which comprised Wards 06, 07, and 13.

During her introductory remarks, Acting Mayor Cllr Grace Marakalala said that the roadshow serves as a platform to connect with different stakeholders and communities regarding service delivery issues, to collect feedback, and allow the municipality to communicate its plans, advancements, and budget to the public. "IDP roadshows are essential to the municipal planning process, enabling residents to engage in decision-making and ensure accountability from the municipality," she remarked.

The session offered an opportunity for residents to express their issues to the council leaders. The concerns raised by the residents involved access roads, where community members voiced worries regarding their condition or absence, emphasizing the necessity for enhancements, along with high mast lighting and water.

During her presentation, Marakalala highlighted that the municipality's dedication to enhancing service delivery is evidenced by the ongoing execution of various projects, such as the transformation of Ben Matsoma Road from gravel to a surfaced road with paving blocks and the building of low bridges for cemetery access in Nikara, Motlhasedi, Mmatladi, Bangalong, and Kgobagodimo villages.

Several additional projects scheduled for execution in the upcoming financial year 2025/26 consist of the development of the Sefitlhogo access road, the Witpoort and Seleka regional water initiative, the Letlora access road, the installation of 30 high mast lights, and the maintanance of sanitation pump stations; these projects will also be included in the next financial year. The municipality seeks to enhance participatory governance by involving the community and making sure their opinions are considered in development planning.

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