



## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **FRAUD ALERT**

King Sabata Dalindyebo Local Municipality would like to make the public aware of a scam e-mail soliciting donation from community members and businesses using the e-mail account that belongs to the Municipal Manager of KSD Municipality, Mr. Ngamela Pakade.

The Municipal Manager is distancing himself from such e-mail. Anyone that has received that suspicious message should consider it as a fraud.

This was an email spoofing, where the email address of the Municipal Manager was forged by the sender to camouflage that of his own. It has been discovered that the email was not sent from the ksd.gov.za domain but from another domain.

At no stage, the Municipal Manager/ Municipality would request funds from members of the public.

This unlawful nature of activity is tarnishing the image not only of the Municipal Manager who is disguised as an author of these e mails but of the institution as at large. However, the Municipality is doing a forensic investigation to find out who the culprit is.

Anyone that has received this kind of e mail should report it to KSD Municipality by dialling the following numbers: 047 531 09634/0141; 047 501 4062; and 047 501 4212.

Ends.

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