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## HERITAGE MONTH

**HONOURING OUR PAST, BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER**

As Heritage Month comes to a close, we reflect on the richness of our collective history and the spirit of unity that defines the people of King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality.

Our shared heritage is a tapestry woven from the diverse cultures, traditions, and stories that shape our identity.

This past month, we celebrated more than just our history. We celebrated the resilience, creativity, and joy that flows through our communities, past and present. As we move forward, we remain committed to preserving our heritage while embracing the future with open hearts and open minds.

Let us continue to stand together, honoring our roots and nurturing the values that will shape the next chapter of our story.

Heritage is not only what we inherit; it is what we build.

## KING SABATA DALINDYEBO MUNICIPALITY ROADS FORUM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS PROGRESS AND FUTURE PLANS

*Highlighting Infrastructure Successes and Future Plans in KSD Municipality*

• **1 minute read**

The King Sabata Dalindyebo (KSD) Municipality's Roads Forum Meeting at the iKhezi Community Hall in Ward 2 became a success. The primary objective of this gathering was to disseminate information regarding departmental infrastructure plans and project progress, ensuring better alignment and enhanced service delivery to the KSD communities.

Key departments, including KSD Roads, Project Management Unit (PMU), Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP), and the Department of Transport, presented their respective plans, achievements and challenges.

### Completed Projects

The KSD Roads Department highlighted several completed projects, which include:

- Silverton Community Hall
- Callaway & Eagle Streets
- King Edward Road Surfacing
- Surfacing of Victoria, Blakeway, and Park Streets
- Rehabilitation of Kwezi Extension Internal Streets
- Surfacing of Maiden Farm Phase 1
- Baziya Clinic to Sxuzula Access Road

These projects mark significant progress in improving the infrastructure within the Municipality. Looking ahead, the KSD Municipality shared an ambitious pipeline of projects for the 2024/2025 financial year. These projects are at various stages of development, from design and planning to awaiting contractor appointment. Some of the key projects include the revamp of internal streets, construction of a community hall and a clinic amongst others.

The forum underscored the commitment to moving these projects full steam ahead, ensuring that the KSD communities benefit from improved infrastructure and services.

## KING SABATA DALINDYEBO MUNICIPALITY HOSTS SUCCESSFUL POLITICAL IGR FORUM MEETING

*Strengthening Collaborative Efforts for Enhanced Service Delivery and Sustainable Development"*

• **1 minute read**

On September 20, 2024, the King Sabata Dalindyebo (KSD) Municipality convened a pivotal Political Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) Forum Meeting at the Nkululekweni Council Chamber. The primary goal of the gathering was to table and consolidate strategic plans within the local government sphere, aiming to enhance service delivery through a unified intergovernmental development plan.

KSD Executive Mayor, Cllr. N. Nelani, urged attendees to focus on critical issues such as infrastructure, crime prevention, sustainable growth, and the promotion of trade and investment in the KSD area.

The meeting saw participation and involvement from a diverse array of stakeholders, including the Department of Public Works, Department of Justice,

Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDL), Walter Sisulu University (WSU), Old Mutual, Mthatha Airport, OR Tambo District Municipality, Eskom, Department of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture (DSRAC), Municipal Infrastructure Support Agent (MISA), and the Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA).

The King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality strongly advocates for robust intergovernmental relations, recognizing that such collaborations foster unity among government departments and provide a more structured approach to serving communities effectively.

Stay tuned for more updates on our collective efforts to drive sustainable development and improve service delivery within the KSD Municipality.

# KING SABATA DALINDYEBO MUNICIPALITY LAUNCHES SUCCESSFUL TOKEN IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

*Successful Progress in KSD Municipality's Token Identification Program Rollout Nears Completion, Ensuring Seamless Transition for Residents*

• 2 minute read

We are pleased to announce that the rollover of the Token Identification Program within the King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality is progressing very well. The project was piloted in the Southridge and Sidwadwa suburbs, setting the stage for a broader rollout across the municipality which now is at 98 percent of completion.

The Municipality has 36,000 residents registered on the WireIT platform, all of whom were scheduled for a seamless rollover to the new KNR2 system from the existing KNR1. In an effort to keep our community informed and prepared, notification messages were sent to the registered individuals' phones, ensuring they were aware of the upcoming changes and the steps involved in the rollover process.

The Municipality has gone as far as calling a community meeting for urban and peri units Wards for information sharing on the TID and other related issues.

We are delighted to report that the transition has been smooth thus far, with no significant difficulties encountered. While we acknowledge that some community members had initial concerns about the switch to KNR2, the overall response has been positive and cooperative.

This successful transition is a testament to the resilience and adaptability of our residents, as well as the meticulous planning and execution by our municipal team.

The Municipality remains committed to ensuring that the rollover process is completed efficiently and effectively. We are continuing our efforts to guarantee that by the 24th of November, all registered residents will have successfully transitioned to the KNR2 system. Our dedicated teams are working tirelessly to address any concerns and provide support throughout this period.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the community for their patience and cooperation during this transition. Your willingness to embrace new technologies and systems is crucial in our collective journey towards improved service delivery and enhanced community interaction.

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# KSD LOCAL MUNICIPALITY LAUNCHES YOUTH CLIMATE CHANGE COUNCIL FOLLOWING NATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE BILL

*Launching the First-Ever Youth Climate Change Council, Empowering Young Voices in the Fight Against Global Warming"*

• 1 minute read

In a pioneering move, the King Sabata Dalindyebo (KSD) Local Municipality has launched the KSDLM Youth Climate Change Council, following the recent signing of the Climate Change Bill into law by the President. This initiative marks KSD as the first local municipality to establish a youth-led council dedicated to combating climate change.

The launch event featured a spirited debate among schools within the KSDLM, focusing on climate change issues. The top three winning schools were awarded prizes for their outstanding contributions.

The newly established Youth Climate Change Council will convene quarterly, serving as a platform for young advocates to address global warming and climate change. This council symbolizes a robust stance against the devastating impacts of climate change.

The panel of adjudicators for the debate included representatives from the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency, Walter Sisulu University, the Department of Economic Development, and the Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and Environment.

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## CUSTOMER FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT TO US!

Please help us improve service excellence and serve you better. King Sabata Dalindyebo (KSD) Municipality invites citizens/ stakeholders/ residents/ customers residing and receiving services within KSD Municipality jurisdiction, to take couple of minutes and participate in Customer Satisfaction Survey. Scan the QR code, alternatively click the link below to participate.

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