

DG intervenes in Howick land transfer deal

Public Works Director-General (DG) Mr Mziwonke Dlabantu paid a special visit to Howick in the Kwazulu-Natal Midlands to intervene in a land transfer delay between the Department and the Umngeni Municipality.

The DG, accompanied by the Head of the Property Management Trading Entity (PMTE), Mr Paul Serote, Deputy Director-General (DDG): Inner City Regeneration (ICR) Ms Sasa Subban and the Acting DDG: Asset Investment Management (AIM) Mr Peter Chiapasco met with the Municipal Mayor Councillor Ms Mbali Myeni and Acting Municipal Manager Ms Gabi Gumbi-Masilela.

The meeting resolved that a piece of land in Howick that is under the custodianship of the Department of Public Works, required by the Umngeni Local Municipality for the purposes of expanding its transport infrastructure, be released by the Department.

The gathering further agreed that another piece of land that is under the custodianship of uMngeni Local Municipality and is needed by the Department of Public Works for developing a Government precinct for its National and Provincial User departments be released to the Department

The meeting also agreed that the conveyancer of the properties to be exchanged will be a simultaneous process with costs being shared by both parties.

The Mayor expressed her appreciation for the presence of the DG and the resolutions taken at the meeting.

After the meeting, the DG and the head of PMTE visited various sites, to see for themselves the quality of buildings that client departments are working in.