

**“Lufhereng human settlements development project is a prime example of how we can integrate our cities, with all three spheres of government working together” says the minister Patricia De Lille.**

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The Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI), Patricia De Lille, alongside the Deputy Minister for DPWI, Noxolo Kiviet, Gauteng MEC for Human Settlements Urban Planning, Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Lebogang Maile and MEC for Infrastructure Development, Tasneem Motara, visited Lufhereng human settlements development projects to monitor the progress of 62 projects which were gazetted as Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs) as part of the Infrastructure Investment Plan approved by Cabinet on 27 May 2020.

The Minister was also joined by the Mayoral Committee Member for Human Settlements in the City of Johannesburg, Councillor Mlungisi Mabaso and the two councillors for the area, councillors Elliot Sithole and Theo Dhlamini.

At the site, they engaged the project managers who have informed them that so far 1 319 housing units of various typologies have been completed and are occupied by beneficiaries and around 2 093 housing units of which varying typologies are currently under construction. The Lufhereng human settlements project was one of 62 projects gazetted by DPWI as a SIP on 24 July 2020 in terms of the Infrastructure Development Act. The Lufhereng project commenced a few years ago with many beneficiaries already living in the development and caters for various housing typologies and income brackets.

The Lufhereng project has been planned as a fully integrated and mixed-use suburb which will be the jewel in the west of greater Soweto; a destination of choice where families of various income levels and new homeowners will preferentially settle and obtain security of title to provide a safe and secure environment for their families. By doing so, beneficiaries will also be investing in a high quality of housing products which will form the basis of personal wealth creation.