

Footbridge village benefited for the community

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The village in Ronaldsey near Hazyview are now enjoying access to school and clinic compared to previous

years, thanks to the Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport (DPWRT) for the footbridge was built over a river in the area.

Its aim is to develop the capacity through the Integrated Rural Mobility and Access Project (IRMA) programme continues to make timely interventions to improve the livelihood of rural citizens through the provision of infrastructure such as the footbridge and roads in the province.

The DPWRT fulfil their mandates in either delivering, or coordinating with the line departments for the effective delivery of services.

School children are now enjoying the footbridge every day to go to school without fear of falling into the river and mothers are now accessing the health facilities without the difficulty of river crossing day and night to seek medical assistance.

Speaking to Mpumalanga Today they said students use the footbridge to get to their school and the walkway solved one of the common problems encountered by the every villager.

“The footbridge serves us during the rainy season and at night when there is a need for us to cross over to the clinic especially pregnant mothers.



Chairperson of the Mpumalanga House of the Traditional Leaders Kgoshi Lameck Mokoena, Xoshani Traditional Council Madala Nkuna and MEC of DPWRT Sasekani Manzini walking as an officially opening of the new footbridge of Ronaldsey Village. Photo by: Cedric Mohlala

Not only school children and mothers, but everyone who needs to attend community programs or religious gathering happening in other villages,” said a happy resident, Thokozani Mabuza.

The Chairperson of the Mpumalanga House of Traditional Leaders, Kgoshi Lameck Mokoena said the footbridge is a big achievement for the community.

“I am happy that the government money has been invested in the communities,” Mokoena said.

Mokoena urged all the footbridge users to take good care of it for everyone not to damage the bridge.”

The department MEC Sasekani Manzini humbly requested the community to take good care of their bridge every time.

“The footbridge has benefited a lot of people especially women and school children as anyone wanting to get across would have to go through the bridge,” concluded Manzini.mptoday.editor@gmail.com