

Serious about service delivery

A hundred days ago, the J.B. Marks Municipality and the Office of the Premier began rolling out an intensive service delivery programme in and around Ventersdorp after the service delivery protests.

Since then, we have made significant progress and we can now report back to our communities:

In the sitting of the last council meeting this week, all members approved the N14 development. It will comprise social housing, a mall, schools, churches and many other developments. This project will create more jobs for our unemployed community members.

The N14 development will be on the agenda when the municipal tribunal sits on Friday.

The municipality will seek funding for the project's implementation and bulk services through the municipal infrastructure grant (MIG) in the new financial year.

On Monday, the old fire station in Ventersdorp was opened to the public for learners' and drivers' licences, renewals and professional driving permits (PDP).

We are busy installing the equipment for eye testing, among others. This is a temporary arrangement until we have converted the municipal

lapa into a fully-fledged permanent testing station.

Meanwhile, the municipality is busy with the grading and levelling of the gravel roads in the Ventersdorp wards. It has already completed the work in Tshing Ext. 9, Ward 34 and Ext. 8.

It has fixed the potholes in several streets of wards 30, 31 and 32 and will soon begin fixing the storm water drainage in all wards.

In conclusion, we are also finalising the recruitment process for the 160 unemployed people in the expanded public works programme (EPWP) this week. This programme will continue for 24 months.



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