

Mchunu keeps his promise

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PREMIER Willies Mchunu promised that Pholela High School will be restored to its former glory.

Mchunu, a former pupil of the school in Bulwer, in the KZN Midlands, made the announcement on Friday during a visit with Education MEC Mthandeni Dlungwana.

Last year parents accused Mchunu of making empty promises.

They had told *Daily Sun* he came to the school in 2016 and vowed to rebuild it but nothing was done.

On Friday Mchunu said the renovations would begin soon as the money had been allocated in 2016.

Mchunu apologised for the delay but said the problem was with the KZN Department of Public Works

which was responsible for public buildings. He unveiled a photo showing how the school will look once it's completed. He said it will have more than 25 classrooms and a stadium big enough to accommodate all sporting codes.

"As a former pupil here, I want to see the school return to its former glory. I'm 70 years old but I still proudly wear my T-shirt with the school badge. I'm a product of this school," said Mchunu.

School governing body member Fikelephi Mtolo said they didn't know what was causing the delay but they were happy Mchunu had explained and apologised.

She said the school had turned into a pigsty and it was falling apart.



From left: KZN Education MEC Mthandeni Dlungwana and Premier Willies Mchunu examine a plan for Pholela High School.