



Publication: Veldbrand(South Coast - Port Shepstone) - Main

Title: Umdoni works towards strengthening verge maintenance services

Publish date: 09 Jun 2023

Page: 5

Reach: 5733

AVE:R 30357.18

Author: STAFF REPORTER

Umdoni works towards strengthening verge maintenance services

■ PORT SHEPSTONE

In an effort to achieve the vision of transforming Umdoni into a Jewel of the South Coast by the year 2030, the municipality continues to implement service improvement initiatives to aid the journey to this vision. Recently, the municipality has employed 31 local people under the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) with a rationale to improve the provision of verge maintenance services. The newly appointed personnel have signed a five-month service agreement contract with the municipality ending September 2023. The Municipal Manager, Mrs Thabisile Ndlela said the

municipality heeds the community's concerns hence a resolution was taken to beef up human resources for amplified provision of verge maintenance services which include amongst others: cutting and raking of grass, levelling of verges, trimming of trees that are overhanging on roads where necessary and cutting of shrubs on the verges. The new employees have duly undergone training provided by the municipality on how to operate machinery. "We are confident that the additional capacity will vastly improve these services and ensure our areas are in a presentable state," says the Municipal Manager.

