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## Public Works to spend R4m on Theresa House renovation

**MAFIKENG MAIL – MAHIKENG:** The North West Department of Roads and Public Works is planning to spend a total of R4 million on the long overdue renovation process of Theresa House according to spokesperson, Lerato Gambu.

Responding to a list of questions forwarded to the department this week, Gambu said the process to renovate Theresa House was well underway adding that the project was expected to be completed by the end of July “in the correct financial year”.

Theresa House which is a provincial government property situated at the corner of Nelson Mandela Drive and Victoria Street in central Mafikeng has been a bone of contention between the department, business and the local community who have expressed outermost disgust at the state of the property left for years to

decay, rot and vandalised by among others street kids and the homeless who have also stripped the property down leaving it almost “naked”.

In his statement, Gambu said “due process should be considered. To date the department will be finalising stage 3 and 4 by the end of April, which comprises of the designs for the renovation project.

“Only then will the procurement process begin through the Departmental panel of contractors in our database. This implies that panel will be afforded an opportunity to bid and the successful bidder will be appointed”, he added.