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MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE, PATRICIA DE LILLE TO CONDUCT OVERSIGHT VISIT TO JEPPESTOWN SOCIAL HOUSING PROJECT IN JOHANNESBURG

In line with Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI), Patricia de Lille's role as the Presidential Infrastructure Coordinating Commission (PICC) Secretariat, Minister de Lille will conduct an oversight visit to the Jeppestown Social Housing project in Johannesburg on 30 August 2022.

The project was gazetted by the DPWI as a Strategic Infrastructure Project (SIP) in July 2020. This follows the inclusion of the project in the Infrastructure Investment Plan approved by Cabinet on 27 May 2020.

Minister de Lille has been visiting various SIPs across the country to inspect progress as part of reporting to progress on the Infrastructure Investment Plan to Cabinet.

The Jeppestown Social Housing project is an Inner-City building conversion and extension for the delivery of 95 social housing units with retail facilities on the ground floor and was completed in July 2022 to the value of just over R33.7million with R25,6 million of the overall contract amount contracted to SMMEs.

The project has created 230 jobs during the construction phase and so far 50 units have been occupied.

The Jeppestown Social Housing Project is an important development demonstrating government's efforts to redress apartheid spatial planning through well located Human Settlements and providing dignified housing in line with the Constitution of the Republic and the Social Housing Act 16 of 2008.

The project was implemented by the Department of Human Settlement's agency, the Social Housing Regulatory Authority (SHRA).

The Jeppestown development was gazetted as a SIP due to its social development impact through job creation, social impact and economic empowerment, redressing Apartheid spatial planning through well located Human Settlements and providing dignified housing.

The visit will take the form of a walkabout of the project and engaging the site team and beneficiaries on the project.

Details of the visit are as follows:

Date: Tuesday 30 August 2022

Time: 11h00 - 13h00

Location: Unity House, 10 Albrecht Street, Jeppestown, City of Johannesburg

All media are welcome to attend.

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