

# Jy is uitgenooi na Kindersorg Rustenburg se algemene jaarvergadering

**Rustenburg** – Kindersorg Rustenburg nooi die gemeenskap van Rustenburg en omliggende dorpe hartlik uit om hul algemene jaarvergadering op 15 November 2017 om 18h00 by te woon. Die vergadering sal gehou word by Die Rots Kerk (Watervalrant Rylaan nr. 1, agter Platinum Square, Checkers Hyper. Kom loer gerus in om te sien wat die Kindersorg span alles gedoen het. “Ons sien uit om u te ontvang. RSVP asseblief voor of op 13 November by 014-537 2014 of 2072. U kan ook ’n epos rig aan louiselabuschagne52@gmail.com.

# RLM open over 4-5 November weekend

**Rustenburg** – “To enable residents to pay their bills for services rendered, kindly be informed that the Budget and Treasury office (BTO) will be opened for service (payments and enquires) during this weekend (4-5 November),” says Thapelo Matebesi, Rustenburg Local Municipality (RLM) communications manager. **RLM will be open on:**  
• Saturday, 4 November: 08:00am – 16:00pm  
• Sunday, 5 November: 08:00 am – 12:00pm  
**RLM press release: 31 October**

# Visit Mosnak Engineering

**Rustenburg** – “We take care of our employees, and they take good care of our customers. At Mosnak Engineering, we do not compromise on quality products and service,” says Moses Nakeng, owner of Mosnak Engineering. Mosnak Engineering based in Rustenburg, c/o Oxford and Benoni street, Rustenburg, render their services across the North West and Northern Cape provinces, as well as in Johannesburg. They do: crankshaft grinding, block reboring, recon cylinder heads, aluminium welding, cast iron welding, conrod resizing, cut and join engine and gearbox conversions, as well as pin and bushes for TLB, excavators and front end loaders. **For more information contact 073 677 4499 or 079 604 4089.**



Back from left: Noel Tshabalala, Neo Phetoe, Andries Mncedi, China Mwanza, and Jimmy Memabaka. Front from left: Seeiso Themba, Moses Nakeng, and Liya Macheмба.

## NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) APPLICATION PROCESSES FOR THE PROPOSED MINING PERMIT APPLICATION OF STONE AGGREGATE ON FARM VOLGELSTUISNEK173 JP IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MANKWE, NORTH WEST PROVINCE.

### INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN INTERSTED AND AFFECTED PARTY AND COMMENT ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (BAR).

DMR REF: NW 30/5/1/3/3/2/1/10519EM

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 41(2) © (i) of the regulations published in Government Notice R982 of December 2014, As promulgated in the National Environmental Management Act,1998 (Act 107,1998) Mr Stanley Calvin Mkhandane Masinga intends to apply for an Environmental Authorisation and to carry out the Basic Assessment for the above project from North West Department of Mineral Resources.

As part of the EIA process, more specifically the public participation process for the proposed project, the public is invited to review and comment on the Draft Basic Assessment and EMPR

In terms of Government Notice No.R982 (Listing notice 1) activity 20 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, the following listed activities require Environmental Authorisation (EA) by way of a Basic Assessment Reporting Process.

#### LOCATION AND EXTENT

##### The activity entails the following:

The activity entails mining stone aggregates over 4.55 Ha. The proposed activity will be taking place at farm Vogelstruisnek 173 JP, within the Moses Kotane Municipality, North West Province.

#### DATE AND VENUE OF PUBLIC MEETING

All interested and affected parties are invited to attend the meeting to review the BAR. The Basic Assessment team will be available to discuss and answer any questions you may have regarding the environmental findings as captured in the Draft BAR. The date and venue for the meeting is as follows:

Date	Time	Venue
09 November 2017	10:00	Moalogane Community Hall

Please Address your written comments to the public participation consultants as well as any further information you may require regarding the meeting to: **GeoPoint Africa (Pty) Ltd – Martha Monoke** P.O. Box 581, Bendor, 0713 | Tel: 015 291 2341 | Fax: 086 605 6763 Email: martha@geopointafrica.co.za

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**Rustenburg** – In light of the ongoing prolonged discourse whether the Rustenburg Local Municipality (RLM) is a metropolitan municipality or not, it is important to set the record straight.

The RLM has been gripped by palpable tensions particularly in the aftermath of a general meeting of SAMWU members held on 16 October. During this highly charged meeting, employees resolved to embark on an illegal strike in order to ensure that their salaries are adjusted to resemble the scales applicable in metropolitan areas.

What is the basis of this demand and what has precipitated it?

In April 2017, the RLM council considered a report titled “determination of upper limits of salaries, allowances and benefits of different members of municipal councils”. This report was prompted by a notice made by the minister of COGTA, honourable minister Van Rooyen, dated 3 April 2017 on implementation of upper limits of salaries, allowances and benefits of different members of municipal councils.

In considering this notice, it became apparent that the revised formula which is applied to determine the grading of municipalities, for purposes of determining remuneration of municipal councillors, places Rustenburg at grade 6. This is the same grading applicable in all metropolitan municipalities.

The RLM local council, having soberly considered the financial implications of adjusting the remuneration of councillors to grade 6, resolved to restrict it to grade 5. The financial implications for the year 2016/17 would have amounted to a whopping R17 million for which no provision was made in the budget. The first important matter to clarify at this juncture, is whether the determination made by honourable minister Van Rooyen on 3 April implies that RLM is now a category A municipality, commonly referred to as a metropolitan municipality.

1. The local government structures act no 117 of 1998 chapter I defines the categories of municipalities (A, B and C) in terms section 155 of the Constitution of the Republic.
2. Section 4(2) of the municipal systems act prescribes that:

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“The demarcation board may determine that an area must have a category A municipality only after consultation with the minister, the MEC for local government in the province concerned and SALGA.

3. Section 12 of the municipal structures act deals with how municipalities are established. In terms of this section, the MEC of local government must issue a notice on the establishment of all municipalities in the province.
4. Sub section 12(3)(a)(b) dictates as follows: “The notice establishing the municipality must set out the category of municipality as well as the type of municipality.” For the record, Rustenburg has been established as a category B municipality with a mayoral executive system and a ward participatory system.
5. Section 16 of the municipal structures act titled amendment of section 12 notice provides that: “The MEC for local government in a province by notice in the Provincial Gazette may amend a section 12 notice to change from its existing type to another type.
6. From the above it is clear that only the demarcation board is empowered in legislation to declare Rustenburg a Category A municipality (a metro municipality). Once this determination is made after thorough consultation, especially with residents the MEC, will thereafter through a public notice amend the section 12 notice. In the recent past a proposal was made to the demarcation board by the former minister of COGTA Pravin Gordam, to amalgamate Rustenburg and Kgetleng Rivier municipalities; thereby creating a new metropolitan city. The demarcation board initiated an extensive public participation process, but the entire proposal was abandoned at a later stage.
7. The determination of upper limits of members of municipal councils by the minister of COGTA by way of notice, made on 3 April 2017, which places Rustenburg in category 6 (not in category A as defined in the constitution and municipal

structures Act), was made in terms of remuneration of the public office bearers act of 1998. The act was enacted to provide for a framework for determining the salaries and allowances of premiers, members of executive councils, members of provincial legislatures and members of municipal councils.

8. Special attention is hereby drawn to section 7(1) of the act mentioned in paragraph 6, which empowers the minister to make a determination of salaries and allowances of members of municipal councils. Nowhere in this act is there provision for the minister of COGTA to determine the categorisation of municipalities or the declaration of any municipality to be a metropolitan type.

9. It follows from the above that none of the legislative requirements for Rustenburg to be declared a Category A municipality are in place. Neither the minister of COGTA, nor the RLM municipal council can make this determination. Category 6 as per the ministerial determination exclusively relates to the remuneration of municipal councillors (distinction being drawn between municipal council – consisting of duly elected councillors and a municipality).

The financial implications of becoming a metro will be dealt with at a later stage. Any payment of salaries of employees at the level of a metropolitan municipality prior to the demarcation board declaring Rustenburg as such will not only be grossly illegal, but immediately warrant criminal proceedings against all responsible. This will also trigger immediate intervention by both the provincial and national governments. In conclusion, it is important to state that the vision of the political and administrative leadership of Rustenburg is for the municipality to be declared a metropolitan city. A road map in this regard will be presented to the next council sitting. it will entail extensive consultations that will take place internally as well as with the provincial and national governments and critically with the demarcation board.

**RLM press release: 17 October 2017**