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Press Statement

SHONGOANE COMMUNITY MASS MEETING

Lephalale Local Municipality Council Members led by the Mayor, Cllr, Jack Maeko, attended a Community Mass Meeting called by the Shongoane Concerned Group on Monday 20 March 2017.

The purpose of the meeting was to engage with the Mayor, on the Community's plan to shut down all projects in the area. The community are alleging that they are not being prioritised in terms of job opportunities and SMME empowerment.

In responding, the Mayor requested that a task team be formed and conduct site visits to all three projects which are to verify if the allegations by the Shongoane Concerned Group are true and also to get reports from all three projects on their recruitment processes, SMME Empowerment and skills development plans. The Site visit will be followed by a Community Mass Meeting where all Community Liaison Officers will report to community members on the findings of the site visits.

The Mayor explained to the communities that some of the challenges in companies implementing projects in Lephalale is that they use labour brokers who are not prioritising the employment of local people. He said the solution to problems caused by using labour brokers will be solved by the centralisation of recruitment for all companies in Lephalale

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