



Press Release

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WATERBERG DISTRICT INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS FORUM AND THE INAUGURATION OF WATERBERG DISTRICT MAYORS

Limpopo MEC for Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs, Basikopo Makamu, officially launched the Waterberg District Intergovernmental Relations Forum at Belabela on 22 April 2022.

The role of the District Intergovernmental Relations Forum is to serve as a consultative forum for the District Municipality and the local Municipalities in the district to discuss and consult each other on matters of mutual interest, including draft national and provincial policy and legislation relating to matters. This structure will also promote cooperative decision-making, to ensure the execution of policies through the effective flow of communication, to co-ordinate priorities and budgets across different sectors and the prevention of disputes and conflicts between spheres of government.

The MEC concluded the programme by conferring mayoral chains to the Executive Mayor of the Waterberg District, Cllr Morris Mataboge, Lephalale Local Municipality, Cllr Alpheus Thulare, Modimolle-Mookgophong Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Marlene Van Staden, Thabazimbi Local Municipality Mayor, Tokkie Swanepoel, Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor, Thulani Tauetswala and Belabela Local Municipality Mayor, Gloria Seleka.

Speaking during the event, the MEC instructed the mayors to prioritise the attendance of intergovernmental meetings, upliftment of the financial health of the municipalities respectively and to ensure the quality of the lives of their community members.

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