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Executive Mayor's Foreword

Cllr J Sidell
EDM Executive Mayor

The end of our financial year gives us (municipalities) the latitude to reflect on the strides that we have made on our quest to change the lives of the people thus far. This passing year is characterized by many success stories some of which involve putting in place an infrastructure for the older person and particularly doing our functions as per section 84 of the Municipal Structures Act. I wish to use this opportunity to appreciate our partners who have been always with us during the course of this financial year when we were hard at work for the betterment of the lives of our people.

It is also important recognize Ehlanzeni District Municipality's work force for keeping their shoulders on the wheel, doubling their efforts in ensuring that our District Municipality maintains its good performance record at all times. As we will be embarking yet on another audit season in the new financial year I hope we will not drop the bar until we achieve better life for all. Nelson Mandela once said that, "we know it well that none of us acting alone can achieve success". Indeed, I also take into cognizance the fact that, had I acted alone I was not going to make it, but through the limitless of strong support system of both our management and political leadership we managed to maintain our culture of conducting our work at a high standard.

Concluding his first State of the Nation's Address the Newly elected South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, he ended with touching words, in which he pledged to bring change in South Africa, quoting late music icon Hugh Masekela's "Thuma Mina" (Send Me). This message sparked public interest, and social media users into pledging their help to bring South Africa back on to the road to success. Let me take this opportunity to thank and appreciate the people of our district for responding to that Presidential call.

It is imperative that as we prepare for the new financial year (2018/19) we remain mindful of the fact that the foremost purpose of the IDP is indeed to map out the core issues that affect our people and to collectively concur on the manner in which each one of those aspirations are addressed. It is in this context that I believe the IDP has to be implemented as agreed with our masses. The ongoing road infrastructure projects in our Local Municipalities will better the lives of our people as the users will bring economic spin-offs. We have played our role in the elimination of water supply challenges at Mhlati package plant, roads and sewer in Barberton and Nkomazi local municipality respectively. We acknowledge amount of work that is placed in those projects and we are keen to see them brought to finality as soon as possible.

I wish to indicate that there is still work in progress on local municipalities that are still struggling with the issues of good performance as expected. As Ehlanzeni District Municipality we have come up with programme to caution them particularly on their Finance Department. Indications are that there is very little changes which were spotted. Furthermore, we still have those municipalities which we need to double our efforts or if needs be, officials from our district would need to go and camp there in order to achieve stability and accountability thereon.

As we progress to the year ahead, we are looking forward to claim back our mandate of bulk infrastructure which will strengthen our capacity to provide a sound support to our Local Municipalities and improve the status of service delivery to our people and minimize the protests which has become the order of the day in some of our municipalities. We can mention in the same vein that whilst we are making progress on service delivery, we recognize that more work still lies ahead in terms of addressing all the needs and expectations that our people have entrusted upon us.

We remain conscious of the fact that our people have waited patiently for services they deserve to better their lives. We strongly believe that working together with our communities can change many lives. I am confident that with the capacity we have at the district, we can work together with the political and administrative leadership in the area and turn around the situation of Thaba Chweu Local Municipality. We will continue to provide our administration support and further strengthen the political support to ensure that there is stability in the Municipality.

Thank you

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Municipal Manager's Foreword

Mr FS Siboza
Municipal Manager

The Fourth Quarter of any local government institution presents the most testing times to institutions such as EDM. The finalisation of the IDP and Budget for the next financial year alongside accurate reporting and accounting for the concluding Year is always a momentous task.

Over and above the strategic and budgetary processes which are required legislatively, our municipality has continued to ensure that Services are delivered. This is evidenced in the global hand wash initiative to ensure that our population and especially the young ones know and understand the importance of hygiene, promoting information and learning on climate change through school debates, and the continued fight against HIV/Aids which was administered by the Ehlanzeni AIDS Unit.

As we head into the 2018/19 financial year, another opportunity arises once more for Ehlanzeni to pursue excellence and continue to strive to be the best. The efforts required for the municipality to put in place the conducive conditions to achieve a developmental local government as conceived in the constitution of the Republic of South Africa and the National Development Plan requires institutions such as ours to go beyond the ordinary and into the extra-ordinary.

In this edition of our publication, we attempt to capture our actions and initiatives to account and inform our citizens of what we have achieved. Extra-ordinary measures such as welcoming and protecting migrants have been reported in this edition. This status quo represents our attempt at going beyond the ordinary towards becoming the best performing district of the 21st century.

I have the honour to present the fourth quarter performance review which I believe will be acceptable when measured against our service delivery and budget implementation plan (SDBIP) milestones and targets.

EDITOR'S NOTE

As South Africa faces a period of relentless challenges characterized by tough socio-economic conditions, the people of Ehlanzeni reaffirmed the spirit that has triumphed over depression, and stood together to uplift their communities.

Ehlanzeni District Municipality's focus will continue to be on re-building and improving the basic requirements for a functional responsive, effective, efficient and accountable developmental local government. We will continue to work together with the people and empower them to participate meaningfully in the work of local government and hold the municipality accountable.

Together we will tackle the stubborn challenges of high unemployment, underdevelopment, slow economic growth and social ills that still afflict our district.

As the District Municipality, we will continue to give priority attention to accelerating services delivery, promoting good governance, enhancing financial management, rolling out infrastructure development and fighting corruption.

It is always a pleasure presenting to you the fourth quarter of Siya Deliver Manje which is the last edition for 2017/2018 and we are looking forward to the beginning of the new financial year with exciting activities as we celebrate the century of Nelson Mandela and Mama Albertina Sisulu.

Living isn't just doing for yourself but what you do for others as well.

Enjoy!!!!!!

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CLIMATE CHANGE SCHOOL COMPETITION AWARDS

Ehlanzeni District Municipality had the climate change school competition aiming to raise awareness and to empower the community on the impact of climate change towards their lives and the general environment. That was motivated by the fact that climate change impacts become increasingly apparent in Mpumalanga therefore, it became obligatory upon decision makers and communities in the province to gain strong comprehension on what are causes that resulted in the increasing patterns of climate change condition. This is imperative and at the heart of any climate change vulnerability.

Therefore, if these elements leading to vulnerability are not realized and corrective measures taken upon, the problem will continue to impact on the livelihood of citizens, which may result on crippling the country's economy based on diminishing resources. The initiative is a continuation of Ehlanzeni District Municipality commitment to respond to the global threat posed by climate change. The district is leading the process based on the legislative mandate on the Atmospheric Emission License as contemplated in the NEM: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 in terms of section 21 of the Act. This campaign forms part of the adaption and mitigation measures entailed in the draft Mpumalanga Provincial Climate Change strategy as well as in the United Nation Frame work Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC).

This competition is as a result of an awareness campaign implemented in eight Eco primary schools, two in each local municipality, Grade six learners were expected to perform a poem about climate change. Each primary school was nominated by the Department of Basic Education Engagements with stakeholders and adjudication took place on 3rd Quarter 2017/18. The climate change awareness campaign was arranged to take place on the 4th Quarter 2017/18. The leading EDM department headed by the MMC for Municipal Health and Environmental Management Cllr M Shongwe was supported by Cllr P Mkhombo from EDM, the Department of Agriculture, and Education among others on awarding the well performed school.

The said schools were awarded as follows:
Position1, Zwide Primary School in Nkomazi Local Municipality
Position 2 ,Phiva Primary School in Nkomazi
Position 3 Thulani Primary School Bushbuckridge
Position 4 Landinda Primary School Bushbuckridge and Position 5,went to Mokokoane Primary School in Thabachweu.

Learners receive stationery after competing in the climate change competition

Addressing the house Cllr Million Shongwe said that, "the background of this event dates back since the industrial revolution". "The average global temperature has risen significantly is continuing to rise. This is caused by the increase qualities of greenhouse gases in our atmosphere generated by human activities that include burning of fossil fuel, deforestation, industrialization, inefficient road transport and intensive method of agricultural production", he said.

"We have no other choice but to take on the challenges of acknowledging this and act together to save the world by what we do today. Our laws policies and strategies demand that we stop polluting air and our wetlands. We must stop degrading our ecology and instead promote conversation and sustainable use of natural resources whilst promoting justifiable social and economic development. If we do not do this we will continue to contribute to rapidly rising temperature which will result in dramatic and irreversible climate change related impacts that will have dramatic effects on the human beings and our natural environment", concluded Cllr Shongwe.

Dr MA Mdhluli from the department of education motivated the learners and said that, "learners should go out there and make a mark to change their lives for the better. Today I want to challenge all of you that you take education serious seriously. Please ask yourself there if there is any value that you are adding to this world? Leave a legacy by doing something positive every day. A good medicine in the hands of a fool can become highly dangerous, but the dangerous medicine in the hands of a clever person can be useful. This current environment that has a bearing on the climate patterns is in your hands. By inventing something good and brilliant that can be the biggest contribution. As parents we love you and we want to see you growing in the right manner and direction".

An acceptance speech was given by a school representative from Zwide Primary School Mr Boy Chuma thanked Ehlanzeni District Municipality for showing interest and concern in schools. "We work hard together with our learners doing a lot of greening in our school. Our learners in grade drafted their own poem in climate change. We combined all the poems and selected the important facts and come up with one strong poem. That is why we are winners today. We also teach them to keep our school clean and to conserve the environment. As a school we want to thank Dardlea, our Tribal Authority, the School Governing Body and the community as a whole. To all schools that are here, this is a great achievement from all of us, and we are learning from one another", He said.

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BUSHBUCKRIDGE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY RAISE THE BAR AT THE TOURISM INDABA

MEC for Economic Development and Tourism, Mr S Kholwane and MEC for Culture, Sports and Recreation Ms T Shongwe at the Indaba

Bushbuckridge Local Municipality ventured into this year's Africa Travel Indaba 2018 with one intention in mind, to showcase what is exclusively their own uniqueness in tourism offerings to buyers and visitors, alike. They joined other Mpumalanga tourism entities from the private sector, other local municipalities, including district municipalities under the auspices of the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parka Agency (MTPA) at the Mpumalanga Village under the provincial theme: "Mpumalanga beyond wildlife.'

The national theme this year was; "Sustainable tourism". This they splendidly demonstrated when they officially launched the "Exclusively Bushbuckridge" marketing video at the Ehlanzeni District Municipality's (EDM) exhibition stand where they exhibited together with the City of Mbombela and Nkomazi Local Municipality. Bushbuckridge has identified tourism as a potential catalytic sector which if fully exploited can grow the local economy of the municipality. To achieve this important objective LED officials ought to be exposed to events like the Durban Tourism Indaba to market Bushbuckridge as a tourism destination of choice which prides itself in the cultural heritage and diversity, as well as the Big Five and the best attractions which the municipality can offer to the domestic and international tourists.

The launch was in response to the DEA's master plan of promoting Bushbuckridge as the wildlife economy and a gateway to the Kruger National Park which forms part of the Limpopo Frontier Park – it is this context that Bushbuckridge Local Municipality through the LED Unit will continue attending the indaba for total execution of the mandate given to the LED Unit and EDPE Directorate. The DEC Exhibition Hall at the Durban ICC came to a standstill as Tsonga warrior dancers made their way to the stand from the parking area to open the proceedings in war-cry as they displayed their exclusive Tsonga dance routine popularly known as Mchongolo – it drew all exhibitors to the EDM exhibition stand to watch as they unravelled the official video to the public.

Opening the proceedings, Member of the Mayoral Committee (MMC) from EDM responsible for local economic development and tourism (LED and Tourism), Cllr Milton Morema said: "This video launch's objective is about marketing Bushbuckridge as a credible tourism entity which also includes the famous Kruger National Park, the exclusive accommodation facilities and historic scenery destinations with their unique history which exclusively exist in Bushbuckridge. It also includes attractions available along the Panorama Route that include God's Window, Mac-Mac Falls, The Gorge and The Three Rondavels, which denotes that the kind of packages they bring to the Indaba can be all-inclusive".

"More importantly, as a predominantly Tsonga and Mapulane tribes, we're also selling our rich cultural values which are exclusively Bushbuckridge and that will offer tourists an unforgettable experience which they will spread back at their respective homes. This is what we envisage for all of our local municipalities to also sell their social experience to tourists," said Cllr Morema. MEC for Economic Development and Tourism, Mr Sikhumbuzo Kholwane said: "Mpumalanga is on a good pedestal to economic growth and tourism is a winner. Under the umbrella of our corporate entity, the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA), we facilitate such synergies for the province to come to the Indaba under one umbrella, The Mpumalanga Village".

"That will enable to tourists and product buyers to experience the province as a collective," said Kholwane. Bushbuckridge's Member of Mayoral Committee (MMC), Cllr Malomane also confirmed that indeed the bar was very high to keep everybody in tourism on their toes to exert their very best. "We're way beyond the wildlife experience here in Bushbuckridge. The whole idea of the video launch is to maximise our marketing to contribute immensely to our economic growth, and most importantly, tourism is our focal point at this juncture," he ended.

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COUNCILLORS AND OFFICIALS TRAINED ON GENDER SENSITIZATION

MMC for Social Services addressing the attendees

"This perception is incorrect as disabilities come in different forms, there are disabilities that can be seen and those that are invisible such as neurological disabilities. We would like to plead with the Department of Education not to allow teachers to send children home because they are disabled and they should go to special schools. All schools should cater for children with disabilities".

Ehlanzeni District Municipality MMC for Social Services at EDM, Cllr M Masilela recently led EDM on a training recently held on gender sensitization at Bushbuckridge Local Municipality Council Chamber. She was accompanied by her counterpart from Bushbuckridge Local Municipality Cllr B.K Mokoena. The training is in line with municipalities' mandated to play an active role in implementing transversal issues as well as policy and legislation that has been developed to create an enabling environment to ensure implementation of such. The main aim of the training was to ensure that there is mainstreaming of gender in the broader planning agenda for Bushbuckridge local municipality.

Other stakeholders in attendance were SALGA, Department of Education, Department of Social Development, Office of the Premier, Councillors and officials directly responsible for Transversal issues at EDM and Bushbuckridge. Cllr B.K Mokoena emphasising that it is imperative for all Councillors to be informed on gender issues as it will enable them to advocate the relevant issues in their respective institutions.

Cllr M Masilela indicated that there is a strategy document which provides a framework to guide the development of gender responsive programmes, projects, policies and procedures within the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality towards transforming the status of women and bringing about gender equity. "The gender audit was undertaken in 2013 to establish the baselines for gender mainstreaming in the municipality. The trend was that gender balance amongst staff was fair in all junior positions but once one got to middle position and senior management there was still a big disparity between male and female representation in both political leadership and in management. It is for this reason why today we have gathered her to tackle on the issues at a different level", said Masilela.

SALGA reflected on what the Constitution says about what steps should be taken by municipalities within the available resources to ensure that transversal issues to be specific, Children's rights, Youth Development, People with disabilities, HIV/AIDS Response, Services for the Elderly, Women empowerment and gender are given priority when developing an Integrated Development Plan. Mr D Nkambule from the Department of Social Development made a presentation on the status of Disabled Persons in general. "Disability is defined as the loss or elimination of opportunities to take part in the life of the community, equitably with others that is encountered by persons having physical, sensory, psychological, developmental, learning, neurological or other impairments which may be permanent, temporary or episodic in nature, thereby causing activity limitations and participation restrictions with the mainstreamed", elaborated Nkambule.

He further raised a concern that persons with disabilities are often misunderstood as being homogenous group. "This perception is incorrect as disabilities come in different forms, there are disabilities that can be seen and those that are invisible such as neurological disabilities. We would like to plead with the Department of Education not to allow teachers to send children home because they are disabled and they should go to special schools. All schools should cater for children with disabilities", concluded Nkambule.

The way forward was given by EDM Senior Manager for Transversal Programmes Mr. P Nkala and resolutions taken are as follows:

- Resolutions of the previous workshop should be implemented;
- People with disabilities should be included in all the service delivery programmes;
- Access to facilities and information;
- Provide opportunities for people with disabilities;
- Councillors should be trained in Sign language;
- Persons with disabilities should be economically empowered as per the Preferential Procurement Policy;
- To keep the database for companies owned by disabled people.
- Councillors should be capacitated on all types of disabilities;
- To observe what legislation is saying about gender sensitization and disability.

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GETTING TO ZERO IN FIGHTING THE SCOURGE OF HIV

EDM Chiefwhip cllr T Shabangu thanking stakeholders for participation

A representative from the Department of Health making a presentation

The Acting Executive Mayor of EDM Cllr M Masilela led Ehlanzeni District Municipality when they held its 5th District AIDS Council Lekgotla at Khaya Lami Lodge under the theme "Breaking the Barriers, Building Bridges". This an international call that binds all countries, provinces and municipalities to work towards breaking all barriers that may delay the prevention of HIV and Tuberculosis. It was attended by local municipalities within EDM, Sector Departments, Love Life, International Organization Migration, GRIP, Right to Care and Aids Foundation. The purpose of the gathering was to mainly build bridges to make sure that all links are connected to fight and also win the fight against the pandemic.

In the District Aids Council various departments had to make reports based on progress made and challenges from their respective fields. An opportunity was also given to local municipalities to report on their Local Aids Councils and those that were able report were the City of Mbombela, Nkomazi and Thaba Chweu. Generally, it was reported that they are still struggling to get the Ward Aids Councils to be operational. They also need to strengthen and mobilize communities in all corners of the public. The indications were that, there are 121 Ward Aids Councils established around our district.

It was also said that Bushbuckridge Local Municipality has elected the Chairperson Ms. Mina Ndlovu who indicated that their area needs a lot of attention on HIV coordination. She said there are no resources and a lot of support is still needed. The good news is that they were able to meet the expected target. The status quo is that the 3 Local Aids Committees are still budget below the expected amount. The adopted the 2018 Ehlanzeni 5th District Aids Council Lekgotla which will be from now until next year 2019.

The day was blessed by Pastor Fundani Nkuna who delivered a powerful scripture from the book of Exodus 3: Verse 7. which read thus: "I have surely seen the oppression of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. So, I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians to a land flowing with milk and honey ". EDM noted difficulty encountered during the Jamboree hosted in Nkomazi local municipality and are planning to have the second phase which will be massive and responsive to the challenges which were cited by the communities on the day. The departments like home affairs and IEC will have to reinforce their resources in the next Jamboree to be hosted in September 2018.

The Acting Executive Mayor of EDM Cllr M Masilela cited her displeasure about the young people who abusing drugs and alcohol. "It seems as if we are not doing more to fight the problems that are distracting our youth. It is everybody's duty to see to it that we lead them to the right path since they are our future leaders. The irony about building the youth is that, whatever they do in their young age is expected to be done more when they become older and ready to lead our country. Therefore, if we let go of the opportunity to mentor them to the correct women and manhood we shall have cursed the future of South Africa". She said.

The Chief Whip of EDM Cllr Terror Shabangu committed the district that it will always be available to support the good job done by the stakeholders and Ward Aids Councils in all locals around EDM. TO close the ceremony there was a Candle Light Ceremony as the sign of remembering those who died and suffering due to the HIV & AIDS pandemic in our district and the world.

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PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TRAINED ON JOB READINESS

Part of the partcipants who attended the job readiness training

Cllr M Masilela, MMC for Social Services at Ehlanzeni District Municipality led EDM officials in hosting the Job readiness Training for persons with Disabilities was at the Mbombela stadium on 12 June 2018. It is said that South Africa has a youthful population most of whom are unemployed, under-developed or living under unpleasant poverty circumstances. EDM noted that young people with disabilities, due to lack of information on career development and lack of skills necessary for accessing employment in an open labour market, are confronted with a black future.

The focus of the training was on persons with different types of disabilities who completed grade 12 from the City of Mbombela municipality. EDM promised that at the end of the project, participants will be included on the National Database of job seekers from the Department of Labour and the National Youth Development Agency. Stakeholders like the Disabled People of South Africa (DPSA), The South African National Council for the Blind (SANCB), Mental Health Office on the status of the Disabled and MAPD gave the message support at the event.

From Mental Health Mpumalanga, Mr. Themba Madiba thanked Ehlanzeni District Municipality for bringing the training to persons with disabilities and mentioned that it will open doors for them. “This training is a bonus for us people with disabilities because there is a high rate of employment amongst us”.

Ms. Ivy Phiri from the South African National Council for the Blind welcomed the training with open hands emphasizing that it will boost their confidence.

Ms. Mushwana Makgaketela from the Department of Labour explained what a career is. “If there are posts or vacancies, they first look in the Data Base. People who will be selected must meet certain requirements. That is why we emphasize that people must use every opportunity to get educated. By getting qualifications, you will be easily employed. If you want to build your career, have a goal and take the right direction. If you want to have better qualifications, don’t give up. Most employees these days want second qualifications. Job seekers always make excuses about their age. The passport to improve academically is grade 12”, Said Ms. Mushwana.

The National Youth Development Agency trained the house on Entrepreneur Basics. It was explained that this organization is a South African Youth Development Agency, aimed at creating and promoting co-ordination in youth development matters. It was formally launched on 16 June 2009, as pronounced by the former President of South Africa, Jacob Zuma. Ms. Tshepiso Sethlodi, the Job officer at NYDA mentioned that her duty is to help in making people to draw professional curriculum vitae’s and when looking for employment she provides pamphlets about the Grant programmes. The Business consolatory services and co-operatives was distributed to everyone who attended. She also invited the trainees to start the whatsApp group communication.

Session 3 of the training conducted by the NYDA and the Department of Labour was about Self-Assessment, Job hunting, how to prepare a C.V and excelling at the interviews.

Mr. P Nkala the senior manager for Transversal Programmes at Ehlanzeni District Municipality encouraged them and hinted that there are many opportunities in government for everyone. “Please do not sit back at home and do nothing. We are all unique in our own rights, People must not look down upon themselves. You can do much better than those who are abled. God has given all of us talents that can change our lives for the better. I want to thank all the presenters for a job well done. I can see you are doing your Job with passion, thank you and keep it up”.

Cllr M. Mavi had this to say. ‘‘Everyone has a right to be employed in this country. This programme will give you a kick-start when you are preparing yourselves to start looking for employment. Even the organizations are prepared to assist you whenever there is a need. I am glad that they gave you their contacts. Please make use of this golden opportunity. This will boost your confidence”. The Ward Councilor of the City of Mbombela Local Municipality Cllr J Mkhonto said that Ehlanzeni District Municipality is fighting tooth and nail to bring back the dignity and confidence of the disabled people. As the city of Mbombela, I would like to thank the Executive Mayor of EDM for allowing everyone here to receive this training. I am quite confident that you won’t let her down, by sitting back and do nothing. This is a rare opportunity, grab it for the better”, concluded Cllr Mkhonto.

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Health Compliance training for Circuit Managers for Schools

Ehlanzeni District Municipality-Municipal Health Services and Environmental Management Department initiated Health Surveillance of Premises awareness project which aims to prevent environmental pollution or cross contamination amongst different premises and promote living in a clean and healthy premise. The department conducted training for Circuit Managers for Schools in Bohlabela Region which took place at Department of Education - Mariete Circuit in the jurisdiction area of Bushbuckridge Local Municipality.

The training emanates from the meeting which was held early this year 2018 whereby the Department of Education held a Strategic Planning Session on the Nutrition Programme. It was also aggravated by observing selected premises which are not well maintained and not complying with the environmental health norms and standard. The identified areas were private and government institutions like hospital, private and government schools. It was then decided that there is a need for school Principals within EDM and at Bohlabela regions to be trained on the same programme. Circuit managers from the said regions were the most relevant people to be trained because all schools principal are directly reporting to them. Therefore it was very important to familiarise themselves with health information so that they are all on board with regards to the norms, standards and legislation thereof.

Mr L Winterbach, the Air Pollution Control Officer of EDM making a presentation

EDM indicated that the current status of health in the country is not good as it is taking a different shape altogether. It was said that when you look at the status of hospitals or schools especially on hygiene and health issues in general, it is really shocking. The meeting acknowledged that it is not an issue that can be left with the Minister alone to deal with but, it should be handled by the entire army of health professionals in the country. They committed to work together as institutions of government to make sure that relevant stakeholders are confronted to work on the prevalence of health challenges.

The Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport was identified as the key role player to ensure that schools and hospitals have proper and compliant kitchen facilities. The district promised to continue to make efforts by empowering its local municipalities on matters concerning hygiene as per their mandate.

The Health Practitioner from EDM shared on how to prevent food borne illnesses and to ensure compliance to the legislation on that regard. They further made a presentation on food tender requirements, food premises standard and requirements, food safety, food labeling, food transportation and duties of food handler and a person in charge. The National norms and standard relating to environmental health in terms of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act 61 of 2003) was also explained. The processes to be followed when applying for the health certificate were shared and the need to understand the standard requirements for schools.

The training was concluded by talking about Listeriosis and explained that it is caused by the Gram-positive Listeria monocytogenes. It is aid the bacterium is widely distributed in nature.Its growth temperature is between 30□C and 37□C but it will grow well at 4□C. The people at risk with Listeriosis are pregnant women, new borne infant, people with weakened immune system and the elderly.

YOUNG AND UPCOMING COOPERATIVES RECEIVE AID FROM EDM

The Matsamo Custom and Trade Cooperatives located in Nkomazi local municipality next to Matsamo border post and Tfutfukani Brick Making Cooperative in the City of Mbombela received business support materials from EDM Tourism and Rural Development. The said support was meant to enhance the developments and opportunities brought by democracy in the new South Africa where everyone is given enough opportunities to empower themselves through government's support. The opportunities presented by EDM seek to ensure that small businesses get to blossom and become sustainable to reduce unemployment.

EDM chose the said cooperatives based on their compliant and consistence in their respective fields. The chosen cooperatives have shown commitment into running sustainable businesses. Both cooperatives are made of the youth around their respective areas. They also have made it their tasks to keep an organised administrative structure which produced a clear trace of how their business is run and where are the challenges they are encountering thereon.

The cooperative in Nkomazi received among others a beverage and ice making machine. The fact that they stationed at Matsamo border post makes them strategic to receive a lot of tourists who are making their way to Swaziland(Eswatini). The chest freezer will assist their business by keeping their food cooler and receive ice supplements from the supplied machine. The centre manager of the cooperative Ms. Gugu Fakudze said: "As a cooperative, we were lucky to be mentored by Ehlanzeni District and Nkomazi Local Municipalities. We want to express our special word of gratitude to all the work that EDM has done thus far. We hope that we will not let down of their efforts, but succeed in changing our business for the better", she said.

The second leg of the handover was at the City of Mbombela to Tfutfukani Brick Making Project which received 300 bags of cement and 400 pallets from EDM. This cooperative produces paving, hollow stock and maxi bricks. They are also mentored by EDM and managed to receive training on Business Administration, Marketing, Finance Management, Marketing, Accounting, Technical Skills and Quality Management.

The member of the Portfolio Committee LED, Tourism & Rural Development Cllr P Minaar said "Everyone can see that this place is managed by organized people with good vision. The District is giving support to boost such projects. I also want to thank Nkomazi Local Municipality for supporting cooperatives in their area. We hope that you will utilize these tools in a good way".

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2018 MAYOR'S AIDS COUNCIL AWARDS

EDM councillors light a candle of hope

The 2018 Mayor's AIDS Council Awards took place at Khayalami Lodge in the jurisdiction area of the City of Mbombela. The purpose of the Awards Ceremony was to give the AIDS Councils an opportunity to re- look at their achievements, challenges and plans. They will also be able to share information, learn from one other's experiences and further share the Best Practices in order to award the best performers by the end of the financial year.

When opening the session, Pastor Dlamini emphasized that we should all be dedicated in our field of work, and that it is not enough to love God when we are not doing any good service to the people who are suffering.

Cllr Nyalunga from the City of Mbombela delivered the welcome address on behalf of the Mayor of Mbombela Cllr S.P. Mathonsi. It is a great honor for me to be part of this wonderful ceremony. Our theme for this year is "Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges". This theme really encourages us to work more harder than before, in order to bring hope to our people out there who are infected and affected. There are 37 million people infected by HIV and Tuberculosis. Are we on the right part to assist them? We need to care for one another. It is everyone's duty here to workshop our communities about these diseases.

Tuberculosis is still rife at this point in time. People must know on how to use the condoms, and the importance of using them. Those who are doing well in their field of work are going to receive awards in the form of trophies for encouragement. We need to pray hard and educate our people not to be re- infected. We must always put it into consideration that a healthy community produces the healthy nation. With these few words, I say "Thuma Mina", said Cllr Nyalunga.

The Acting Executive Mayor of Ehlanzeni District Municipality Cllr M. Masilela was the keynote speaker for the evening. When delivering her speech, she mentioned that on her arrival at office in 2016, the structures were falling and they had to come up with the strategy of reviving the Local Aids Councils. "At least today we can all see the good results. We are having awards today to thank people who have excelled in their duties. This is motivation, but we must all learn from each other always. Local Municipalities must be assisted and encouraged to do more. Platforms need to be created for us to do the awareness campaigns. This will help our people to be more educated about these diseases. I am also disturbed about the children who are using illegal substances. This is where we must fulfill God's mandate of loving one another. We must work hard for our salaries that we get every month. As political leaders it is our duty to strengthen the administration for best results. If you were not working hard, we will not be having these awards. Keep up the good work. The bible clearly states that we must count our blessings one by one, big or small. The District really appreciates your services, especially those who are working voluntarily without salaries.

The results of the Awards were as follows:

BEST WARD AIDS COUNCIL
Thaba Chweu – Ward 9, City of Mbombela Ward 42 and the City of Mbombela Ward 7.

THE SPECIAL AWARDS:
Reverend L.B. Dlamini scooped the Champion on HIV Advocacy, while the Best AIDS Coordinator was Ms. Olga Nkosi.

BEST LOCAL AIDS Councils:
The 1st place went to Thaba Chweu, 2nd place Nkomazi Local Municipality, 3rd was Bushbuckridge Local Municipality and the 4th place was the City of Mbombela.
The guests were entertained with music from the Local AIDS Council.

FOOD CONTROL SURPRISE VISIT IN KOMATIPOORT

EDM embarked on an unannounced visit to about 23 stalls around Komatipoort Complex as well as to a fleet of informal structures used by hawkers near the Mozambican border post. The purpose of the visit was to determine if they were complying with rules and regulations governing food safety as per regulation 962 of November 2012, published in terms of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectant Act, Act 54 of 1972.

EDM officials responsible for the municipal health in the district cautioned store managers and the street vendors to cover their hair, keep their nails short and never wear jewellery when preparing food in their businesses. They were also urged to keep their environment clean and always cover food.
Food handlers were advised to buy their meat from the licensed abattoirs and retail shops than from informal outlets to avoid contaminations. It was explained to them that separate changing rooms were required for their male and female employees and have their certificates of acceptability and pest control to be always displayed in their shops not to keep them away from their business premises.

It was discovered that it was hard for some hawkers to comply with the rules because of the poor environment they work under. The situation is such that stalls were congested next to one another, with no running water as a result there are no proper toilet facilities. The health inspectors also noted that street vendors are to walk to the other side of the border gate to respond to nature or use the back of their market stalls as bedrooms which is also a health risk. It appeared that they are running a risk of being bitten by mosquitoes, snakes and mice which also pose a threat to their wellbeing.

The hawkers raised concerns about their proper infrastructure not delivered as they were promised by the government. The current law that regulates the conducting of businesses next to the border posts suggests that, it is challenge for government to put a proper business infrastructure in less than 7km from the main gate because it becomes a security threat to the national key point. The said distance is suggested as another way to avoid possible criminal activities at a closer proximity. The hawkers in that area have alleged that they have instructed an attorney to help them fast-track formalising their business areas.

EDM Local and Economic Development and Rural Development was also part of the exercise and pointed that much as the indicated challenges were noted but, the provincial Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport has received EDM's development plans but said improvements of the said stalls will be escalated to the relevant sphere as they are a competency of their National Department due to their positioning along the National Road. As the department of public works gives Ehlanzeni a development plan and service infrastructure plans then EDM will take necessary actions to improve.

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WORKSHOP TO PROTECT VULNERABLE MIGRANTS

People who attended the migrants workshop

The vulnerability of migrants in the district has brought the necessity to facilitate a workshop to protect them through a partnership with the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The workshop was meant to assist vulnerable migrants, refugees and asylum seekers through proper identification, referral, and to encourage commitment amongst government officials especially migration officers to implement such measures in their day to day work.

There are a number of elements which cause migration, and they are either Push or Pull Factors. Push Factors are Wars, Lack of employment, human rights abuse, natural disasters, climate change, and violence, socio- economic and political conditions. The Pull Factors are access to employment, better living conditions, respect to human rights, access to education and health care. Irregular and mixed migration represents a wide spectrum of nationalities, gender and age groups, as well as religious, social and political backgrounds and legal statuses. Individuals of different categories travelling in mixed migration flows share the same journey and therefore face the same dangers and hardship on the way.

There are also a number of migrants' categories like asylum seeker and so on. Asylum seeker is a person who crossed a border and has not yet received a decision for refugee status. Their permit is a temporary document that shows that a person has applied for refugee status. It offers the migrant freedom of movement, ability to get a job. Then you have got stateless persons. It means a person who is not considered as a citizen of that nation by any state under the operation of its law. It was clearly stated during the workshop that no person should be forcefully removed to a territory where he would be at risk of persecution unless requested by the international laws, or being moved to another territory where his life or freedom would be threatened on the grounds set out in the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status and Protection of refugees.

The workshop progressed on educating attendees about the Human Rights. "Human Rights are rights inherent to all human beings without discrimination, whatever the nationality, sex, ethnic origin, color, religion, language or any other status. We are born with our human rights and they belong to each of us as a result of our common humanity. Human rights are not given as a gift. Individuals cannot give them up and they cannot be taken away, even if governments do not recognize or protect them at times. Also we have rights that cannot be denied, and they are freedom from retroactive penal measures, right to equality before the law, right to freedom of thought and religion, right to self- discrimination and the right to leave any country and return to one's own country" said Mr Gititi Wambui.

The Migration and Health Overview of the Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR) also shared their reports thereon. It was said that the sexual and reproductive health and rights of adolescent migrants and migration affected communities is a concern worldwide and a public health issue needing urgent attention from governments and other human development agencies. In South Africa, populations in communities along migration corridors, particularly adolescents and young people, migrants and sex workers and their clients vulnerability is compounded by their limited access to , and the poor quality of sexual and reproductive health and rights services currently available to them.

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Some of the children and parents who attended the workshop

Participants listen attentively to the presentations

Time for checking documents

The International Organization for Migration was said to have contributed greatly to freedom of choice for migrants, adolescents and young people, and sex workers in migration affected communities regarding their sexuality. It assists migrants, adolescents and young people, and sex workers to have improved access to and use of integrated sexual and reproductive health, HIV services and quality health care. The SRHR promotes respect for the sexual reproductive health rights of migrants, adolescents, and young sex workers.

It was said this organization knows no borders. It has a sustainable response to SRHR and migration hinges upon collaborative efforts and commitment from all relevant partners and stakeholders, including governments, development partners, host communities and the migrants. It also strengthens local health systems, ensures that interventions are locally owned and responsive to the local context. They are working in partnership with existing systems, including relevant private sectors. It ensures government buy-in and ownership through engagement with relevant ministries.

Other presentations were about Human Rights International and Regional Framework and International Conventions, Assisted Voluntary Return of Migrants, Rights of Migrants to Health Services and the Impact of Migration on Health. A movie on Migration Health was shown to the people and discussions took place. The Group Work took place whereby the Rights of Migrants were discussed. People came up with suggestions that may solve the issue of migrants.

The prevalence of human trafficking was also dealt with. “People are trafficked all over the world on daily basis. The fundamental cause of trafficking is poverty which is contributed by lack of employment opportunities, social and political conflict, gender discrimination and lack of access to education. It was clearly stated that trafficking in persons is not easy to prove especially when the act is still ongoing, and the victim is still en route to the final destination where he or she will be exploited. Furthermore, many victims are not aware of their situation until at a very late stage in the trafficking.

It was pointed out that there are also cases where they find un-accompanied migrants and sadly, most of whom are children. They are unfortunately reported to have separated from both parents and other relatives. Some are not being cared for by an adult who, by law or custom, are supposed to be responsible for doing so. Other vulnerable migrants are older or disabled persons due to their disability.

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GLOBAL HAND WASH CELEBRATED AT MATIBIDI

Children in a jovial mood after receiving gifts

Ehlanzeni District Municipality (EDM) Municipal Health and Environmental Management Department in conjunction with the Mpumalanga Provincial Departments of Health, Social Development, Cooperative Governance and Traditional (OGTA) along with Thabang Day Care Centre and Mokokwane Primary School conducted an inspection in terms of hands washing facilities at schools around Thaba Chweu Local Municipality. Kanana Preschools was found to be one of the disadvantaged in their area of jurisdiction area. As mandated by Chapter 5 of the Local Government: Structures Act 117 of 1998, EDM decided to celebrate the 2018 Global Hand Wash Day with Kanana Pre-School situated at Matibidi Village.

EDM noted that the strict adherence to hand hygiene has proven to reduce the risk of cross-transmission of infections. Based on the slogan that says “Clean Care is Safer Care”, the primary agenda of the global initiative of World Health Organization (WHO) on patient safety programs is to focus on the developing countries to formulate the much-needed policies for implementation of basic infection prevention practices in health care set-ups. This review focuses on one of the simplest, low cost but least accepted from infection prevention: hand hygiene.

The Municipal Health and Environmental Management directorate at EDM said they are not always reactive but always proactive hence the annual rotation our within its local municipalities to highlight the importance of hand wash in order to prevent the spread of diseases. Their targets are schools as they believe that when you teach a child, you teach the world. They also emphasized that, washing your hands properly is one of the most important things you can do to help prevent and control the spread of many illnesses like flu, food poisoning and healthcare associated infections being passed from person to person.

Mrs I Ink, the School Health Nurse from Lydenburg Hospital demonstrated on how to wash hands properly while Thabang Day Care and Kanaan Preschool kept entertaining the guests throughout the day. The Preschool was given Hand-washing facilities by EDM Portfolio Member for Municipal Health and Environmental Management Cllr M Mahlangu who said, “We are very happy that the teachers are already taking efforts by making sure that leaners get the basic education on health issues. I am also happy to announce that EDM is donating these facilities to you with the hope that you will use them with care”, she concluded.

When addressing the kids, the Environmental Health Practitioner, Mr J Thobejane emphasised the need to wash hands before eating, after visiting the loo and when you visit patients at hospitals to avoid the bacteria called listeria which is commonly found in vegetables, fruits and processed food. He further cautioned everyone that listeria cause diseases like listeriosis which most of the time affect children and pregnant women. ’’it is important to make sure that you eat food that are cooked properly, not half cooked to ensure that such diseases are avoided at all costs’’, explained Thobejane.

The following specific items were donated for the children:

- 5 X 25 L Disinfectant hand soap
- 5X 25 L water bucket/bottle with a tap and EDM &Global hand wash 2017 logo
- 5X stainless steel wash basin and welding material for stands.
- 5X medium black school bag with EDM logo and Global Hand wash 2017 logo
- 50 X 1Litre soap dispenser with EDM and Global hand wash logo
- 100 X pencil cases with EDM Logo and hand wash logo, half rulers and pencils.

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2018 EDM MAYORAL CUP

Cllr Masilela welcoming players and spectators before the tournament

Beautiful trophies for the winners

The MMC for Social Services and Transversal programmes MMC M Masilela led EDM Sports desk in hosting the 2018 EDM annual Mayoral Cup which was held in Mashishing Stadium this year. In her words of encouraging the youth of who participated in the tournament she said that she was impressed that young people are actively participating in sports activities as it will keep them healthier and stronger. “Sports promote a healthy mind, and it opens doors for those who are extremely talented on it. There are people who are doing sports as their careers and that it is an indication that not only through CVs and beautiful presentations can a person earn a living but also through their abilities and talents”, she said.

“This event will give everyone the opportunity to network. You are going to learn more from each other. Please share ideas and build a lasting relationship. Let us remind each other that sports have the ability to change any one who is determined to be a renowned star of the world. As a district, we are determined into serious business of producing the youth who will represent our province all over the world. Let us play in good spirit and enjoy the rest of the day”, said Cllr Masilela.

Sporting codes played were Netball, Soccer played by both males and females. There was a hype of activities during the matches in the soccer and netball fields. The games were enjoyed by spectators who cheered at the players. Professionalism was displayed by the players especially by the ladies soccer team with the best ball control.

The final winners in Game1, played against the final winners in Game 2 in all sporting codes. The results were as follows:
Final Ladies Soccer Nkomazi Local Municipality 3- Thaba Chweu Local Municipality 0
Soccer Men’s Final Nkomazi Local Municipality 2- Thaba Chweu Local Municipality 0
Netball Final Nkomazi 10- Thaba Chweu Local Municipality 7

The winners received prizes in the form of money, trophies and medals. Sponsors of the event were the Department of Culture, Sport and Recereation Mpumalanga Province, Mpumalanga Sport Confederation, the City of Mbombela, Bushbuckridge, Nkomazi and Thaba Chweu Local Municipalities.

The games were enjoyed by spectators who filled the stadium. Players showed a lot of professionalism and displayed the best ball control. Prize After the prize giving ceremony, Cllr Masilela congratulated the winners and thanked the players, referees and spectators for participating.

Netballers having a good time

Ladies soccer club in full gear before the match

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YOU ARE PROBABLY READING EXPIRY DATES WRONG AND WASTING FOOD IN THE PROCESS

Ehlanzeni District Municipality (Municipal Health Services Unit) is responsible for the Food Control / Safety in all the local municipalities falling within the jurisdiction of Ehlanzeni District. The District has appointed the Environmental Health Practitioners to conduct routine inspections of all food handling premises at EDM. The Environmental Health Practioners are appointed as Health Officers in terms of section 80 of the National Health Act 2003, (Act 61 of 2003) and as inspectors in terms of section 10 of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act 1972, (Act 54 of 1972) as amended and are authorised to execute the functions of Municipal Health Services as defined in section 1 of the National Health Act 2003, (Act 61 of 2003) and to apply all legislations and law enforcement relevant to the function.

Most packaged foods with a shelf life of less than two years must have a 'best before' or 'use-by' date stamped on the box, wrapper or bottle. The best-before date gives you an idea of how long the food will last before it loses quality. A product will remain fresh and of good quality right up to the best-before date (and sometimes beyond), if it is properly stored, both at the store and at your home. It may still be safe to eat those foods after the 'best before' date, but they may have lost quality and some nutritional value. Expiry dates contribute to food waste because households discard food that is still edible. South Africa's food labelling regulations make a very big distinction between "use by" dates and "best before" dates.

Foods that should not be consumed after a certain date for health and safety reasons must have a **'use-by' date.**

THERE ARE FOUR TYPES OF EXPIRY DATES (OR DATES OF DURABILITY)

1. BEST BEFORE DATES:

"Best before" dates are about quality, not safety. Yet people read it as a food safety issue. When the **best before** date is passed, it doesn't mean that the food will be harmful, but it might begin to lose its flavour and texture. A product will remain fresh and of **good** quality right up to the **best-before date** (and sometimes beyond), if it is properly stored, both at the store and at your home. It may still be **safe to eat** those foods **after** the **'best before'** date, but they may have lost quality and some nutritional value. **Best before date** tells you that the food is no longer in its perfect shape from that date. It may just lose its freshness, taste, aroma or nutrients. It does not necessarily mean that the food is no longer safe to eat. These apply mostly on shelf-stable foods such as canned goods, pasta, coffee and biscuits, and are about food quality and taste, not safety. Foods that have reached their best-before date should not be sold at full price by retailers.

2. USE BY DATES:
A use-by date on food is about safety. This is the most important date to remember. Foods can be eaten until the use-by date but not after. You will see use-by dates on food that goes off quickly, such as meat products or ready-to-eat salads. These are indeed about food safety, especially once you've opened the package. They often apply to meat products or other perishables goods. After the use-by date, don't eat it, cook it or freeze it. The food could be unsafe to eat or drink, even if it has been stored correctly and looks and smells fine. A lot of foods, including meat and milk can be frozen before the use-by date though so plan ahead. Consumers are warned not to eat food that has reached its use-by date. For the use-by date to be a valid guide, you must carefully follow storage instructions. For example, if the instructions on the packaging tell you to refrigerate after opening, you should keep the food in a fridge at 5°C or below.

3. SELL BY DATE:
Sell-by dates are created by retailers and are intended to help stock management. Products that have reached their sell-by dates are still edible thereafter, provided the food is stored correctly. One of the best safeguards against eating dangerous foods is to follow storage instructions, such as "refrigerate immediately after opening".

4. EXPIRY DATES:
Expiration dates tell consumers the last day a product is safe to consume.

RELIABILITY OF USE – BY AND BEST BEFORE DATES
Manufacturers usually choose a best-before date well before the time when the food would be expected to deteriorate and spoil. A conservative best-before date is designed to encourage you to eat the product while it is fresh and at its best, so you should consider best-before dates as a guide only. Frozen and canned products, in particular, tend to keep their quality for some time after the best-before date.

Within reason, provided the food looks and smells as you would expect, it should be safe to eat, even if the best-before date has passed. Keep an eye on the 'use-by' or 'best before' dates on the food in your cupboards. Don't eat any food that is past its 'use-by' date, even if it looks and smells okay.

RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHARITY FOOD BANKS
If you are supplying people with packaged food from a food bank you still need to check and follow the 'use by' dates. Giving out food after its 'use by' date puts people at risk, and could lead to enforcement action being taken against the food bank.

The public is encouraged to lodge complaints, submit or report the suspicious food items to the nearest EDM Municipal Health offices located in the Municipalities for further investigation by the Environmental Health Practitioners. Information can be forwarded to the following sub district supervisors
City of Mbombela 060 9729 925
Nkomazi 082 8495 995
Thaba Chweu 079 5299 900
Bushbuckridge 082 3163 081

References:

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• National Health Act 2003, (Act 61of 2003).

• Foodstuffs Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act 1972, (Act 54 of 1972) read with its relevant Regulations.

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DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

PROPOSED SUNDRY TARIFFS FOR 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR

DESCRIPTION	RATE OF MEASURE	PROPOSED PROCESSING FEE
1.PROCESSING OF THE CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTABILITY (COA) FORMAL FOOD PREMISES Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act 54 of 1972) as amended and its regulations. e.g. Restaurant kitchen, accommodation establishment kitchen, Hospital kitchen, learning institution kitchen etc.	Once off or change of ownership	R 1 500.00
2.PROCESSING OF THE HEALTH CLEARENCE CERTIFICATE (HCC) Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act 54 of 1972) as amended and its regulations. Export of Food products	Per consignment	R 1 500.00
3.INFORMAL FOOD PREMISES Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act 54of 1972) as amended and its regulations. e.g. Tuck shop, informal café, caterers, informal restaurant etc.	Once off	R 250.00
4.PROCESSING OF HEALTH PERMITS FOR EVENTS AND FOOD TENDERS Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act 54 of 1972) as amended and its regulations.	Per request	R 100.00
5.PROCESSING OF THE HEALTH CERTIFICATE (HC) Ehlanzeni District Municipality: Municipal Health (MHS) By – Law e.g. Learning Institutions, Pre -school, after care centers, Hospitals, old age homes, disabled centers, rehabilitation centers, Mental institutions, Offensive trade, Beauty parlous and hair salons etc.	Once off or when the number of occupants increases or change of ownership	R 250.00
6.PROCESSING OF THE CERTFICATE OF COMPETENCE (COC) National Health Act 61 of 2003 and the relevant regulation. e.g. Mortuary, funeral undertaker, crematorium etc.	Every two years or change of ownership	R 500.00
7.GOVERNMENT FACILITIES Ehlanzeni District Municipality: Municipal Health By – Law e.g. SAPS, Magistrate offices, Hospitals, Clinics, Mortuaries, Schools etc.	No fees charged	No fees charged
8.MUNICIPAL HEALTH SERVICES OFFENCES AND PENALTIES	As per offence	As per the EDM MHS By- Law
9.ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES OFFENCES AND PENALTIES DESCRIPTION	As per offence	As per the National Environmental Management Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 as amended and the relevant regulation.
10. APPLICATION FOR NEW ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENCE (AEL) Environmental Management Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 as amended and the relevant regulation.	Per listed activity	R 10 000.00
11. APPLICATION FOR ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENCE (AEL) REVIEW	Per listed activity under review	R 10 000.00
12. APPLICATION FOR ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENCE (AEL) RENEWAL	Per listed activity	R 5 000. 00
13. APPLICATION FOR ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENCE (AEL) RENEWAL	Per request	R 2 000.00

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed draft Ehlanzeni District Municipality: Municipal Health and Environmental Management Services Tariffs for 2018/19 financial year , to the Municipal Manager, Ehlanzeni District Municipality, P.O. Box 3333, Mbombela, 1200, council@ehlanzeni.gov.za (for the attention of the Senior Manager: Municipal Health and Environmental Management Services, within four weeks of the date of publication of this notice.

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