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Sanlam awards competition winners

By Confidante Reporter

WINNERS of the Bag to School Competition from the Khomas region receive their prizes ENTHUSIASTIC young competition winners and their parents recently gathered at the Sanlam Investments office in Windhoek to receive their prizes handed to them by Mr. Shiimi ya Shiimi, CEO of Sanlam Investments Namibia. Fifty winners from across the country each receive a school bag filled with stationery.

The company is of the opinion that education is where it all starts, especially in a country like Namibia where academic success is held in high regard. However, many school children and their parents lack the funds to buy school bags and stationery.

The company further notes that having the basic tools for the job, any job is essential and going to school is no different. It is difficult to learn anything if you do not have pens, pencils, exercise books and a bag to carry them in.

Sanlam is thus committed to ensuring more children receive a good education in Namibia and sees this as part of its responsibility to Namibia's youth.



Young winners of the Sanlam Namibia Bag to School Competition from the Khomas region accompanied by their parents, Derille Roostee, Marketing & Communications Manager, Sanlam Namibia (middle front) and Mr. Shiimi ya Shiimi, CEO Sanlam Investments Namibia

Sanlam Namibia's Marketing and Communications Manager, Derille Roostee, said "At Sanlam Namibia we understand the profound effect that good quality education has on the lives of our young people. It was why

this competition was created." She continued; "Sanlam Namibia wants to use this competition and opportunity to encourage all students of Namibia to commit to their education in order to achieve new heights, as they

are the future of our country." In addition, she called on parents to take the first step in making provision for their children's future education.

Sanlam Namibia has invested in numerous ed-

ucation initiatives under the management of Hikria Graig.

One of these projects being the Sanlam Bursary project, committing N\$ 200 000 to the development of young Namibians in 2019.

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- The provision of associated bulk services and roads.

Proponent: Waterberg Investments (Pty) Ltd

Environmental Consultant: Matrix Consulting Services

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Date: Thursday, 28 February 2019
Venue: Khomasdal Community Hall, Edsel Street
Time: 11:00

Should you wish to register as I&AP and receive a BID, please contact the Matrix Consulting Services office.

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DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS IS 07 MARCH 2019.

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Two more arrested in State House VIP car theft

By Marianne Nghidengwa

THE Namibian Police have arrested two more people linked to a case in which a VIP BMW vehicle was stolen from State House by an officer in the VIP Protection Unit late last year.

The officer, Silas Ndimulunde (33), who was stationed at State House reportedly went on a joyride to the North for almost three weeks with the car, guzzling fuel worth N\$17,000 while using a government petrol card. It is alleged that Ndimulunde also used the government petrol card to fill up his friends' vehicles, as well as other private cars and pocketed the money.

The luxury vehicle is said to be part of the President's motorcade, however some reports suggests it was a State House pool car. Ndimulunde was recently granted bail of N\$10,000. His alleged accomplices Vilho Johannes and Albertus Hafenaaje were also granted N\$10,000 bail each.

At the time of going to print, *Confidante* could not independently verify whether the accomplices were also police officers, employees at State House or ordinary civilians. Preliminary investigations revealed that Ndimulunde reportedly stole the vehicle and petrol

... Trio granted N\$10 000 bail each



Silas Ndimulunde during his first appearance in the Windhoek Magistrates Court

card from State House in Windhoek on 10 August before heading off north, about 800 kilometers away.

The vehicle was only traced about three weeks later on 29 August, where it was found abandoned at Ongwediva's Medi-Park Centre

in the doctors' parking area. Ndimulunde was arrested in Ongwediva shortly after the vehicle was found. The trio face a charge of fraud for using the petrol card without authorisation, using the vehicle without the owner's consent and driving without a valid license.

It is alleged that the cop had access to the vehicles and petrol cards, which he took without informing his immediate supervisors. He apparently used the card at various service stations, at times refuelling private cars and allegedly pocketing the money.

It is still not yet established whether Ndimulunde travelled only to the north or to other towns as well. However, the number of fraud charges will increase depending on the number of times he used the petrol card.

The cop made an initial first appearance in Oshakati Magistrate's Court on 30 August, where his case was transferred to the Windhoek Magistrate Court. During his brief appearance, Magistrate Liwena Walter Mikiti denied him bail after Prosecutor Rowan Van Wyk feared he might abscond, especially after investigators had difficulty arresting him.

Last year, Nampol Inspector General Sebastian Ndeitunga described the incident as a "big case" and vowed that the law would take its course.

Outapi mayor refuses to apologise

By Victor Angula at Oshakati

THE Mayor of Outapi, Selma Asino says she will not apologise for an incident in which a scuffle between the town council's personnel and street vendors led to disturbing scenes, which saw vet-kloek strewn on the ground and pots of kapana spilling on sand.

After the images of the aftermath of the fracas were shared on social media, people condemned the town council for dealing with the street vendors in such a harsh manner. They said the vendors were not criminals but women who were trying to earn a living for themselves and their families.

But, in a telephonic interview with *Confidante* the mayor said the town council had not done anything wrong that warrants an apology.

"Why should I apologise?" Asino said, insisting that her council had done nothing wrong. She explained that while council staff was on routine patrol in town they came across the group of vendors who sell their products on the street next to the taxi rank.

"The vendors were approached peacefully, but they overreacted," she stated.

"They threw their goods on the ground and they took pictures, and then they sent the pictures on social media and claimed that it was the police and the officials of the council who threw the things on the ground. These people are the ones who are supposed to apologise to the government and to the police for their unruly behavior. This was a politically motivated incident; we know who is behind it."

The mayor pointed out that the police were only called in to restore law and order after the street vendors started to behave in a disorder-



Outapi Mayor Selma Asino

ly manner.

"Our intention is not to prevent people from selling. Our intention is to get the people to sell in the four open markets. Normally when we confiscate the goods of street vendors we take it to the office where they come and collect it. We don't throw it at the rubbish dump as they have been claiming to the media."

The mayor said the town council tried on various occasions to sit down with the vendors and iron out their differences.

"The last meeting was on 5 November where the police's regional commander was present, but their representative told us that they will never move to the open market. They said they want to continue selling at the taxi rank or at the entrance to the shops. They are simply defiant and uncooperative."

Asino further pointed out that as the regional capital Outapi experiences an influx of people from rural areas annually that adds to the high level of unemployment, "but as elected leaders we have a responsibility of making laws which are appropriate to the best interests of our town."

Oshikango man accused of raping disabled woman

By Victor Angula

A man accused of raping and sodomising a physically disabled woman on multiple occasions eight years ago has since last week been on trial in the High Court at Oshakati.

The State alleges that between the period of 5 and 10 July 2010, 46-year old Simon Nambuli went to the room of the complainant, a physically disabled woman in the village of Oshitambi near Oshikango in Ohangwena region and raped the complainant twice.

The State further alleges that after the first incident, the accused returned on a date between 6 and 7 July 2010 and demanded entry to the room of the complainant, and when entry was denied by the complainant he broke the door and entered the room by force and demanded to have sexual intercourse with the complainant.

The accused then raped the complainant. After the accused had raped the complainant he physically assaulted her and threatened to kill her if she had made noise. The accused then pulled out the ear rings from the ears of the complainant causing her injuries to her ear.

On 8 July 2010 the accused went to the house of the complainant again and demanded entry into her room. The accused gained entry to the room and raped the complainant, as well as sodomised her.

In the morning of 9 July 2010 the accused took the complainant in the wheelchair to Onekwaya West clinic. While on the way to the clinic, with a knife in hand, the accused threatened to kill the complainant if she told the nurses that it was he who perpetrated the assault on her.

Consequently the complainant told the nurses at the clinic that she had been attacked by robbers. The following day the accused accompanied the complainant to Engela State Hospital, where he was arrested.

Ohangwena Police Station's detective warrant officer Paulus Silas told the court it was only after Nambuli was arrested that the complainant told the police that she was raped by him. Silas told the court that he had found a knife in the accused's pocket when he was arrested. Silas said the knife which was before court as an exhibit was the one which the accused was found with.

Nambuli, who has been conducting his own defence, pleaded not guilty to all the charges. He has been on trial for five days since 4 February before Judge Johanna Salonga, with State Advocate Johan Pienaar prosecuting.



Rape accused Simon Nambuli in the dock

He denied that he had raped the complainant and claimed that they had had consensual sex, and denied that he had threatened the complainant with a knife. He said the knife which was before court was not his. The State closed its case without presenting the evidence of the medical doctor who examined the complainant.

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Proprietor: Waterberg Investments (Pty) Ltd

Environmental Consultant: Matrix Consulting Services

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Date: Thursday, 28 February 2019
Venue: Ekomasdal Community Hall, Edelstrat
Time: 11h00

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DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS IS 07 MARCH 2019.



PUBLIC INVITATION

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PIT-STOP FUEL CENTRE RETAIL FACILITY IN SWAKOPMUND, ERONGO REGION

Notice is hereby given to all Interested and Affected Parties (I & APs) that an application will be made to the Environmental Commissioner in terms of Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and its Regulations (2012) for the following intended activity:

Project Name: Pit-Stop Fuel Centre Retail Facility

Project Location: Erf 5091 Corner of Herries Bay Road & Baobab Street, Extension 23, Swakopmund.

Project Description: The proposed development will entail the following activities:

- The construction of a fuel retail facility, with associated convenient shop.
- The installation of associated bulk services and roads.

Proprietor: Sky-Way Investments

Environmental Consultant: Matrix Consulting Services

All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are encouraged to register and raise concerns or provide comments and opinions. All Interested and Affected Parties will be provided with a Background Information Document (BID) comprising detailed information for the intended. A public open day session regarding the development will be held at:

Date: Friday, 01 March 2019
Venue: A1 Project Location - Erf 5091 Corner of Herries Bay Road & Baobab Street, Extension 23 Swakopmund.
Time: 11h00-13h00

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African Deli donates offal worth over N\$1 million

■ Steven Klukowski

WINDHOEK – The Ministry of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare recently received a food donation consisting of 13 585 boxes of processed offal worth over a N\$1 million from African Deli (Pty) Ltd.

Frozen boxes of the delicacy known as 'matangara', ready for distribution, were handed over at a ceremony that took place in Windhoek.

Officiating at the event Minister of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare, Dr Zephania Kameeta, complimented African Deli for "having made this donation possible". In addition, he expressed profound gratitude to the local company for responding to President Hage Geingob's call to all Namibians to eradicate poverty in all forms, giving his assurance that this handy donation will be distributed to needy members of the Namibian society.

Kameeta said he is sure the donation made will bring joy, happiness and dignity to a number of communities and individuals, who are distressed and deprived of any hope to life.

Minister Kameeta also explained during the occasion that the government on a monthly basis is shouldering the burden to secure adequate foodstuffs for distribution to the poor and needy and that it is therefore "a relief to see the private sector, in this case African Deli come on board to assist government in this regard".

He further stressed that the concept of the food bank will be re-engineered whereby "beneficiaries will be introduced to income-generating programmes, in order to graduate from food handouts and generate income to sustain themselves." In order not to stick to food donations as the only means to eradicate

poverty, Kameeta emphasised that other measures such as educating people, employment creation, skills identification and the sharing and deploying of resources in order to create opportunities for the less privileged should be regarded as supplementing steps towards it.

In conclusion he reiterated the government's appreciation to all those that have already made pledges to the food bank and eradicating poverty, and encouraged more Namibians to come on board in order to reach this common goal since "every little step and effort to address hunger and poverty matters."

Speaking at the same occasion Lamek Kambarami, production manager of African Deli, explained that the company is a Namibian manufacturing enterprise that "takes note of the shortage of nutritional food for the non-income and lower income group of its country's population." He said that as part of its social corporate responsibility African Deli "therefore would like to donate processed matangara to the Ministry of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare in order to ease the pressure on government's fight towards poverty alleviation".

The food bank in Namibia was established after a cabinet decision of 2013 led by the president.

Initially its main purpose was to collect, purchase and safely distribute food to the needy and most vulnerable members of the Namibian society.

It has grown since its inception in April 2016, enabling it to cover 17 000 beneficiaries in six regions and is envisaged to be rolled out to the entire country by June this year.

Its beneficiaries are mostly unemployed women who still need to care for their families, sick/chronically ill people and the elderly who look after their grandchildren or orphans.

12 years for cannabis peddling

■ Nuusita Ashipala

OSHAKATI – The Oshakati Magistrate's Court on Wednesday sent to jail for 12 years a 38-year-old Angolan convicted of dealing in cannabis, illegal entry into Namibia and money laundering.

Presiding Magistrate Leopoldt Hangalo sentenced Kanu Santos Miguel to an effective 10 years for the first count, two years for the second count and five years for the third count.

The magistrate ordered that the sentence of count one run concurrently with that of count three.

Miguel was found with dagga worth over N\$60 000 at his rented apartment in Ongwediva upon his arrest on August 23, 2014. According to the information presented before court, Miguel hid the key of the toilet where the cannabis was and pretended not to know where the key was when the police approached him.

Miguel has a previous conviction in dealing in cannabis for which he was sentenced to a fine. Magistrate Hangalo said

it is evident Miguel has not learnt a lesson hence he needs a custodial sentence to properly rehabilitate him.

"What is aggravating in this matter is that you are not a first time offender, you were previously convicted and fined, but it shows you have not yet learned a lesson," Hangalo said.

The magistrate further stated drugs are paralyzing the society hence the court stressed it has the mandate to protect the community from being exploited by drug dealers.

In mitigation of sentence, Miguel asked the court for mercy to enable him to trace his alleged misplaced children.

In mitigation, Miguel said that since his arrest he does not know the whereabouts of his children in both Angola and Namibia. His lawyer Mukaya Nyambe of Mukaya Nyambe Incorporated had asked the court to give his client a fine in respect of count one and a suspended sentence for counts two and three. State Prosecutor Nelao ya France had submitted to the court to sentence the offender to 10 years for count one, two years for count two and five years for count five bringing the applied sentence to 17 years.

Sindano Hango acquitted of rape

■ Nuusita Ashipala

OSHAKATI – Businessman Sindano Hango, whose rape case dragged on for about three years, on Wednesday walked away a free man after he was acquitted in the Oshakati Regional Court.

Sindano was accused of raping his cousin on October 12, 2014 and bribing her with N\$10 000 to withdraw the rape charge.

He has since November 2016 been on bail of N\$6 000.

Presiding Magistrate Leopoldt Hangalo during his judgement said having considered the evidence he was not convinced a rape was committed.

"Having considered the evidence I have doubt that there was rape committed. I am obliged to give him the benefit of the doubt," Hangalo said.

Hango maintained his innocence throughout the trial.

According to his version, Hango maintained the whole act was orchestrated and that it was the victim's brainchild that he give her N\$10 000 to take care of her personal needs.

He told the court during the trial the victim wanted money to visit her boyfriend in Keetmanshoop.

Hango also maintained the sex was consensual and there was

no coercion. His version was however disputed by the victim.

According to the victim the acquitted Hango had sexual intercourse without her consent and later sent his family to talk her into withdrawing the case in exchange for N\$10 000.

The victim also testified during the trial proceedings that the case's initial investigation officer also tried to talk her into withdrawing the case.

According to the testimonies heard in court, the investigating officer claimed that given his status as a businessperson he was capable of getting a good lawyer to aid him win the case.

The victim said Hango forced himself on her by holding her arms to the back while the one hand forcefully removed the tight jeans and underwear she was wearing at the time.

During the scuffle the victim claimed she fell to the floor and then fled to a room where Hango followed her, threw her to the bed and forcefully penetrated her.

The victim also testified she informed several family members about the rape of whom some attempted to talk her out of registering a case while some advised her to pursue the case.

Hango was represented by Frieda Kishi while the state was represented by Prosecutor Nelao ya France.

New radio station to accelerate access to info

■ John Muyamba

RUNDU - The Minister of Information and Communication Technology, Stanley Simataa, says the government has been working tirelessly to encourage the nation to capitalise on the nationwide roll-out of ICT infrastructure to ensure access to information to all Namibians.

Simataa made the remarks in his statement read on his behalf at Rundu during the official inauguration of the Adventist Radio Namibia (ARN) radio station on Saturday.

Just recently Simataa also inaugurated the Adventist Radio Namibia in Otjivero. "I am proud to be part of yet another notable and solemn occasion of inaugurating the Adventist Radio Namibia (ARN), Rundu Service. Today again marks another milestone in the history of the SDA Church, as we inaugurate another radio station here in Rundu," he said.

Simataa said he was pleased by the SDA Radio's development and admitted these developments will go a long way in improving the lives of people in Namibia.

"Information is power and without it people can never get empowered to make wise decisions that can improve their lives. I therefore have no doubt that this radio will help to add value to the lives of the people living in Rundu," he said.

"I therefore thank our almighty God, who in his infinite guidance inspired the SDA church to establish the radio station. Although it is a religious radio station, I believe that its programmes will add value to our nationhood and national pride interventions. Unabating violence against women and children, escalating incidents of intolerance in our communities, creeping disrespect for elders, all point to a morally conflicted

society that is yearning for redemption," he continued.

The ICT minister noted that religious and community leaders and institutions must join the government in its nationhood crusade to rehabilitate society's degraded moral values. "Given its greater reach and affordability, radio is one most effective conduit for access to information."

"As we all know, information is power! Information liberates from ignorance, from poverty by availing information on opportunities at the communities' disposal - opportunities which when maximised can take them out of poverty and hopelessness. Certainly, there can be no prosperity in our communities when there is abject poverty of information," he added.

Apart from English the Adventist Radio Namibia will broadcast in local Namibian languages. "I am therefore confident that these initiatives will cement the value of nation building and bring services closer to the

people in their own languages. I believe it will be of interest for you to note that these efforts by the SDA go well with government's campaign of - 'Nationhood and National Pride' - under the slogan of - 'My Namibia, My Country, My Pride', which aims to captivate positive morality and instil a sense of nationhood and national pride among Namibians," he said.

Rundu Urban Constituency Councillor Vicky Kauma also graced the occasion and delivered a speech. "My office as the constituency councillor have an open-door policy and accepts, welcomes and fully supports all new developmental initiatives which are targeted towards socio-economic upliftment of our communities," Kauma noted.

Kauma believes the radio will have programmes of a social nature which will assist in moulding and changing the decaying social behaviour in society and eventually reduce crime and other social ills.



Stanley Simataa, the Minister of Information and Communication Technology



Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation, Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah
Photo: Nampa

Namibia condemns attack against Indian police

WINDHOEK - The Deputy Prime Minister, Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, expressed her sincere condolences to the victims and injured of the Srinagar-Jammu Highway attack at Jammu and Kashmir in northern India in a statement on Tuesday. At least 40 Indian Central Reserve Police Force personnel were killed in a bomb attack by militants on their convoy in Indian-administered Kashmir on 14 February 2019. "Namibia has learned with revulsion, the dastardly terrorist attack against the Indian Central Reserve Police Force personnel in Srinagar-Jammu Highway in the Kashmir Pulwama district," said Nandi-Ndaitwah who also holds the portfolio for international relations.

Jai-e-Mohammad, the Pakistan-based Islamist group, claimed responsibility for the attack. It is the deadliest militant attack on Indian forces in Kashmir since the Indian rule began in 1989. Nandi-Ndaitwah said Namibia condemns the attack against the Indian Police Force and stands in solidarity with India to resolutely fight all forms of terrorism and to bring those responsible to book. "We call on the international community to condemn terrorism in all its forms and manifestations [and] those identified as terrorist organisations under international law," she added. - Nampa

N\$20 billion Tsumeb smart city still on cards

■ Obreïn Simasiku

OMUTHIYA - Construction of the multi-billion-dollar mega Smart-City investment in Tsumeb is likely to start in April, says the mayor of the copper town Mathew Hangula.

The planned project will cost a massive N\$20 billion that will be a significant investment complementing the mining and agricultural sectors, which are Tsumeb's economic backbone, and it will tremendously boost the town's economy and provide employment to thousands of people from within and outside the town and the Oshikoto Region.

The project will include a medical university that will provide an international standard education for approximately 25 000 students, providing them and all the staff with accommodation, complemented with a modern 800-bed hospital. The Smart-City will also have six hotels, office parks, residential apartments, entertainment and recreational facilities.

It is scheduled for completion and operational by April 2021.

MKP South Africa, a multinational company with a broad business portfolio in construction, banking, tourism and the healthcare, is undertaking the project.

"I will be having a meeting with the investors this afternoon to discuss and get an update as to how far the

process is, but all I know is construction is projected to begin in April," said Hangula in an interview with New Era.

Furthermore, Hangula said they have attracted another retail investor who is set to construct and open a supermarket, and expected to create more short and long-term jobs for the locals. "Choppies store will be opening a branch in Tsumeb, and they will start with the construction as soon as we get ministerial approval. Council already approved and passed the resolution," further said Hangula who noted the public had earlier objected to the idea.

He said the reason for objection was that land sold to the investor was a public open space area, hence the community felt their children had no place to play and hang around.

The land had a value of N\$4 million, but council gave an incentive and it was sold for N\$1 million. "One of the conditions for the investor was that they build a modern public facility for the community upon completion, but it looks like the public did not pick up the element when they earlier objected. On the other hand they should look at the long and short-term benefits that come with such ventures," stressed the mayor.

He also said that next week they will commence with the installation

of water meters at Kuvikiland informal settlement, whose residents for past years depended on a few community taps.

CALL FOR REGISTRATION AS INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE FOR TRADEPORT NAMIBIA'S IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADING OPERATIONS UTILIZING THE TRANS-ORANGE CORRIDOR LINKING THE PORT OF LUDERITZ, KARAS REGION NAMIBIA

1. PROJECT SITE AND DESCRIPTION

TradePort Namibia (Pty) Ltd, has amended its Environmental Clearance Certificate for its Manganese Import and Export Operations within the Port of Luderitz. TradePort intends incorporate the utilization of Barges facility in order to be able to load its ship to full capacity from the Port of Luderitz, Namibia.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Enviro-Leap Consulting therefore invite all Interested and Affected Party (I & AP) to register and receive the Project Background Information Document (PID) for their comments and input.

Both the BID and Environmental Scoping and Management Plan Reports will be made available on request (preferably by email).

3. COMMENTS AND QUERIES

Interested and Affected Parties are herewith request to register by writing to us at the address below no later than **30 March 2020**.

Please register and direct all comments, queries to:
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PUBLIC INVITATION

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FUEL RETAIL FACILITY IN WINDHOEK, KHOMAS REGION

Notice is hereby given to all Interested and Affected Parties (I & APs) that an application will be made to the Environmental Commissioner in terms of Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and its Regulations (2012) for the following intended activity.

Project Name: Valley View Fuel Retail Facility
Project Location: Erf 5425 Orpenrose Road, Khomasdal, Windhoek.

Project Description: The proposed development will entail the following activities:

- The construction of a fuel retail facility, with associated convenient shop and restaurant.
- The provision of associated bulk services and roads.

Propositor: Waterberg Investments (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Consultant: Matrix Consulting Services

All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are encouraged to register and raise concerns or provide comments and opinions. All Interested and Affected Parties will be provided with a Background Information Document (PID) comprising detailed information for the intended. A public meeting regarding the development will be held at:

Date: Thursday, 28 February 2019
Venue: Khomasdal Community Hall, Edsel Street
Time: 11h00

Should you wish to register as I&AP and receive a BID, please contact the Matrix Consulting Services office.

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DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS IS 07 MARCH 2019.