

Will Heilbron town go to Metsimaholo?



The town of Heilbron could be incorporated into Metsimaholo Local Municipality. Currently the town falls under Ngwathe Local Municipality. This is according to the proposal of the Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB) and if the public so agrees. Among many various proposals made by the MDB, it proposes the redetermination of the municipal boundaries of Ngwathe and Metsimaholo Local Municipalities by excluding Heilbron town from the municipal area of Ngwathe, by including it into the municipal area of Metsimaholo. The MDB has invited members of the public to submit written views and representation for the proposed boundaries in line with section 26 of the Municipal Demarcation Act (MDA).

Other proposals by the MDB within the Fezile Dabi District Municipality are:

- Proposed redetermination of the municipal boundaries of Ngwathe Local Municipality and Moqhaka Local Municipality by excluding Edenville, Vredefort and Parys towns from the municipal area of Ngwathe Local Municipality, and by including them into the municipal area of Moqhaka Local Municipality.
- Proposed redetermination of the municipal boundaries of Ngwathe Local Municipality (FS203) and Moqhaka Local Municipality by excluding Vredefort and Parys towns from the municipal area of Ngwathe Local Municipality; by excluding Viljoenskroon town from the municipal area of Moqhaka Local Municipality (FS201), to establish a new Category B, Local Municipality in Free State
- Proposed redetermination of the municipal boundaries of Ngwathe Local Municipality (FS203) and Moqhaka Local Municipality by excluding Edenville and Koppies

towns from the municipal area of Ngwathe Local Municipality; by excluding Steynsrus and Kroonstad towns from the municipal area of Moqhaka Local Municipality, to establish a new Category B, Local Municipality in Free State.

• Proposed redetermination of the municipal boundaries of Ngwathe Local Municipality (FS203) and Moqhaka Local Municipality by excluding Edenville town from the municipal area of Ngwathe Local Municipality and including it into the municipal area of Moqhaka local Municipality; by excluding Viljoenskroon town from the municipal area of Moqhaka Local Municipality, and by including it into the municipal area of Ngwathe Local Municipality.

The MDB said a total of 228 proposals have been received across the country.

The largest number of proposals are from KwaZulu Natal with 90 proposals submitted, followed by the Eastern Cape with 45 proposals submitted.

Written views and representations must be submitted within 30 days of the date of newspaper publications in concerned areas. All views and representations submitted, will then be considered by the Board during April and May 2023.

The public views and representations must strictly be emailed to: registry@demarcation.org.za, or faxed to 012 3422480, or posted to Private Bag X123, Centurion, 0046 or hand delivered to Eco Origins Office Park, Block C1, 349 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Highveld, 0157.

The views and representations must be addressed for the attention of the Chairperson of the MDB.

For more information on the demarcation of boundaries open the following links:

<https://puisano-ditaba.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Media-Statement-Invitation-for-public-views-3.pdf>

https://puisano-ditaba.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Annexure_A_Circular1_2023_Section26_Publications_Class2_4.pdf

Driving licence machine undergoes routine maintenance

The Department of Transport has reassured members of the public that the production of driving licence cards will not be affected by the routine maintenance of the card production machine. In a statement on Wednesday, the department encouraged members of the public to continue applying for their driving licence card as normal.

The routine maintenance started on

5 April 2023 up until 19 April 2023. Thereafter, the technical team encountered a technical breakdown, which requires a replacement of a critical part from the Original Equipment Manufacturer. "It is anticipated that the resumption of card production shall commence within the next two to three weeks," the department said.

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Ho latolwa tshitsinyo ya ho tloswa ha Harrismith tlasa Maluti-a-Phofung

Mokga wa Democratic Alliance Mo kgahlano le tshitsinyo ya ho tloswa ha toropo ya Harriesmith le mapolasi a mabapi taolong ya Masepala wa Maluti A Phofung ho kenyeletswa Masepaleng wa Phumelela.

Ena ke tshitsinyo ya lekgotla la tsheho ya meedi ya bommasepala e leng Municipal Demarcation Board. Setjhaba se fuwe monyetla wa ho ntsha maikutlo a sona mabapi le tshitsinyo tse mmalwa tse hlahisetsweng ke Board ena.

Leona Kleynhans, Mmuelli wa mokga ona wa DA ditbeng tsa mebuso ya kopanelo profensing ya Free State o boletse ha tshitsinyo ena e sa phethahatse tlhoko tsa baahi ba sebaka sena. O re ka kgwedi ya Hlakubele 2022 mokgatlo wa habo o

ile wa etsa tlhahiso e phethahetseng ho Municipal Demarcation Board, ya hore sebaka sa boholo ba Harriesmith le Kestell di etse masepala wa tsona o ikemetseng.

"Tlhahiso e phatlaladitsweng ke MDB e supa maikemisetsa a ho arola karolo ya toropo ya Harrismith, Mapolasi le Intabazwe Masepaleng wa Maluti A Phofung ho di kenyelletsa Masepaleng wa Phumelela" ho boletse Kleynhans.

"Tlhahiso ena e tla arola lebatowa la maseterata wa Harrismith, sebaka sa sepolesa sa Harriesmith le ho arola toropo ena ho di indasteri tsa yona, mokgatlo wa DA le baahi ba ka se dumellane le tlhahiso ena, mme mokgatlo ona o tla kenya boipelaetso ba ona ba ho ba kgahlano le tlhahiso ena," ho rialo Kleynhans.

Municipality smells the ghost



It seems like Metsimaholo Local Municipality in Sasolburg smells the ghost and has started counting and verifying its workforce. For two months now, the municipality has embarked on an exercise of verifying in-person the existence of all its employees and councillors. According to Metsimaholo spokesperson, Dr Gino Alberts, the municipality has conducted a physical verification for all councillors and employees recorded on the payroll to verify the physical presence of councillors and employees and to detect any "ghost employees" or fraudulent payments. "The objective of the headcount or verification is to ensure that salaries are made to legitimate councillors and employees who remunerated for work performed.

"To conduct a physical verification of councillors and employees and ensure that salaries are being paid to rightful employees, all councillors and employees were required to produce their original identity document and sign the applicable report prior to receiving the February 2023 salary slip.

To facilitate the process, February 2023 salary slips were withheld," said Alberts. He said the salaries of those employees and councillors who do not present themselves for verification will withheld.

Alberts indicated since the counting and verification started municipal employees and councillors have been coming forth to present themselves. He said the municipality is satisfied with the response and co-operation of all its workforce.