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Deputy Minister Tshabalala calls for collaborative efforts in all spheres of government

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“Water and Sanitation services should not be politicised.” These are the words of Deputy Minister of Water and Sanitation, Ms Judith Tshabalala during her oversight visit to Paarl on 18 May 2023.

The key objective of the visit was to get first-hand information on service delivery issues related to water and sanitation.

The Mbekweni area has been facing sewer spillages which pose a health hazard to the residents. Presenting the overview of service delivery challenges, Andre Kowalewski, Water and Sanitation Manager at Drakenstein Local Municipality said one of the key challenges to service delivery is the vandalism of infrastructure and small pipelines which are the contributing factors to the sewer spillages. According to Kowalewski a big new pipeline will be installed to alleviate the plight of the community.

Deputy Minister Tshabalala called for collaborative efforts between different spheres of improve service delivery. “All the plans must be linked to time frames.” She said

Tshabalala further pleaded with the Mbekweni households to look after the environment and not dump waste on rivers and other water systems

“Water is Life, Sanitation is Dignity”

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