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MAYOR SANGA MANELI

MAYORS FOREWORD

It gives me great pleasure to present the first Quarter foreword on behalf of Ngqushwa Local Municipality. This period has once again demonstrated the collective strength of our municipality, our leadership and most importantly, our communities.

During the quarter we remained focused on service delivery and community empowerment. Through imbizo and direct engagements, we strengthened the bond between the municipality, government, State Owned Agencies and our residents ensuring that people's voices guide our developmental agenda. Notable achievements include the handover of equipment to ten local SMMEs, reaffirming our commitment to supporting small businesses and driving the local economic development. We also extended social support through the handover of fleece blankets to our elderly and that shows a gesture of care and solidarity with our most vulnerable citizens.

Key service delivery projects progressed during this quarter, including the introduction of contractors for the construction, rehabilitation of access roads and internal streets, the installation of high mast lights in Mgababa and Feni villages and the development of sports infrastructure through the second phase of the Peddie Extension sports field project. These initiatives will improve safety, accessibility and community wellness.

We also intensified our social programmes through the establishment of a Rapid Response Team against Gender-Based Violence that marked an important step in protecting vulnerable groups, while the Nelson Mandela Day "67 Minutes" clean-up campaign reaffirmed our commitment to environmental sustainability. Furthermore, we visited and engaged traditional councils, recognizing their vital role in governance and development.

As we close this quarter, I extend my appreciation to councillors, municipal officials, community leaders, and all partners for their continued dedication. Together we remain steadfast in building a municipality that is responsive, inclusive, and committed to leaving no one behind.

Thank You.
Mayor Cllr. Sanga Maneli

MAYOR SANGA MANELI HANDED OVER EQUIPMENT TO 10 SMME'S AND FLEECE BLANKETS TO THE ELDERLY DURING THE MAYORAL IMBIZO

31 JULY 2025



Ngqushwa Municipality Mayor, Sanga Maneli successfully hosted a Mayoral iMbizo on the 31 July 2025 at Ncumisa Kondlo Hall. The Mayoral Imbizo aimed at providing Ngqushwa residents with information on service delivery projects and a platform to engage with their municipality, government departments and various entities on service delivery matters. Mayor Maneli said, “the Imbizo is an effort to ensure that governance is people-centred, inclusive and responsive to the needs of communities.”

During the programme, Mayor Maneli together with Council members and Traditional Leaders officially handed over equipment to 10 SMME's, certificates in food handling to local SMME's and fleece blankets to the elderly. Through the Municipal Incentive Fund, the municipality is continuing to support emerging entrepreneurs by equipping them with resources that would enable them to grow their businesses and reduce reliance on government employment. Moreover, the initiatives form part of the municipality's ongoing service delivery programmes that are aimed at strengthening local economic development and youth empowerment.



SMME's who received equipment conveyed their appreciation to Ngqushwa Local Municipality for the assistance and support. Speaking on behalf of the beneficiaries, Ms. Samkela Stammer said “We encourage the youth and fellow entrepreneurs, noting that the initiative had demonstrated that success in business is attainable.” She further emphasized that with dedication and support from programmes such as the Municipal Incentive Fund, young people can build sustainable livelihoods.

SAMKELA STAMPER - FENI

Vizia Smart Floodlight 50W, Acer Aspire Lite laptop, Canon EOS 4000D Starter Bundle, Voyager Zephyr foldable drone, Ultra-Link LED HD projector, TP-Link Archer router, JBL speaker and headphones



BENEFICIARIES OF EQUIPMENT THROUGH MUNICIPAL INCENTIVE FUND

ATHI BUZANI - THAPHUSHE

Industrial overlock, Industrial plain, Domestic machine, Domestic overlock, Isishweshwe (Blue & Dark), Cotton Twill, Umbhaco, Red Melton, Black Melton, Xhosa Braiding, Curtain material (8m), Domestic machine



ASANDA NTSHOYI - DLOVA

Industrial plain, Industrial overlock, Shweshwe (brown, blue, colour), Crimplene (royal blue), Twill (red), Melton (black & red), Cotton (black, white, brown, navy, red, yellow, orange), Binding (black, navy, brown, red, turquoise, yellow, ceres, beige, cream, white), Zip nylon (20 cm & 50 cm)



NOLUDWE MBAZA- HLOSINI

20FT (6m) side-opening storage container, Nail table, chair, cabinet shelves, floating shelves, Mirror



PAMELLA PLAATJIE PEDDIE EXTENSION

Defy washing machines (17KG T/L & 18KG T/T), Defy 5kg tumble dryer, Garment steamer, Laundry bin, spray iron, ironing board, Water tank Jojo (5250Lt) with fittings, Fencing material and accessories



SIVUYILE MPAHLA- RURA

Gas jet pack and industrial oxygen, Acetylene cylinder, Electric mixer, grinders, ladders, cordless tools, Electrical toolset and rotary hammer drill



KHANI SOLWANDLE HAMBURG

IBR iron sheets, Treated timber, SH560 Egg incubator and hatcher, Feather plucker, Tube feeder for chicks



JULIA TIMANA - POWER

Defy chest freezer, microwave, fridge freezer, Philips digital air fryer, Cooking pots (Hart 50L, 36L, 21L), Gas stove, cylinder, and utensils, Folding tables and chairs, Glassware and crockery



ZWELETHU FALTEIN - NDLAMBE VILLAGE

Fishing gear (booties, waders, rods, nets, tackle), Chest freezers (210L & 279L), Floodlights, chainsaw, wheelbarrow, Water tank Jojo (5250Lt) and fittings, Extension reel and padlock



DUMAKUDE PASIWE MGWALANA

Hosepipes and fittings, Wheelbarrows, Water Jojo tank (5250Lt), Water pump, Animal feeds and supplements, Veterinary medicines.



50 BLANKETS HANDED OVER TO ELDERS AS MANDELA MONTH CELEBRATIONS IN MPHEKWENI



As part of Mandela Month celebrations, the Eastern Cape MEC for Social Development, Ms. Bukiwe Fanta, led an elderly outreach initiative at Mphekweni Community Hall (Ward 11). MEC Fanta was joined by Amathole District Municipality Executive Mayor, Cllr. Anele Ntsangani, ADM Chief Whip, Cllr. Nanziwe Rulashe-Nesi, and Ngqushwa Local Municipality Acting Mayor for the day, Cllr. Lindiwe Mdabula.

In line with Mandela Month theme, *“Identify those in need around you and do what you can to make a difference with them and for them,”* the department handed over 50 blankets to elderly members of the community.

The meaningful gesture reaffirmed government's commitment to supporting the elderly, particularly during the harsh winter season, by ensuring their warmth, comfort, and dignity in service of those who had paved the way. Acting Mayor, Cllr. Lindiwe Mdabula welcomed everyone, the support from stakeholders and also shared encouraging developments for Ward 11, which include:

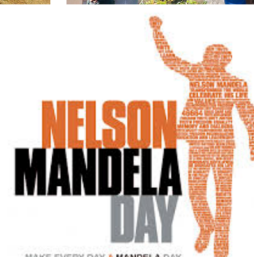
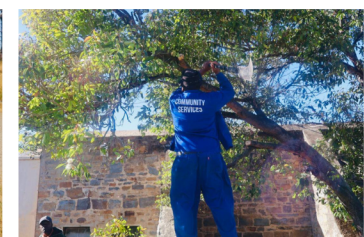
- The upcoming construction of 500 houses in Mphekweni
- The installation of streetlights at Mgababa
- Planned infrastructure and road rehabilitation projects in the current financial year

MEC Fanta delivered the Nelson Mandela Day wishes to the elderly, saying, “as government, we are here to celebrate with you a Happy Mandela Day.”

Ngqushwa Municipality Marks Mandela Day with 67-Minutes Clean-Up Campaign

In commemoration of the Mandela Day, Ngqushwa Local Municipality conducted a 67-minutes clean-up campaign in Peddie Town. The campaign was led by Acting Mayor for the day who is the Portfolio Head for Technical & Corporate Services Department, Cllr. Lindiwe Mdabula, along with councillors and municipal officials who worked together to clean streets, pavements, and remove overgrown trees, promoting a safer, cleaner environment.

The initiative demonstrated the municipality's commitment to service delivery and community upliftment, reflecting the spirit of volunteerism, unity, and active citizenship inspired by Nelson Mandela's legacy.



ROADS REHABILITATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS ACROSS NGQUSHWA VILLAGES

JULY - SEPTEMBER 2025

PROJECT	LOCATION	DURATION/TIMELINE	APPOINTMENTS
5km Gravel Road Construction (internal Streets), stormwater drainage & signage (MIG)	Phole Village (Ward 4)	26 Aug. 2025 - 16 Mar. 2026	7 community members employed (incl. CLO)
5km Road Restoration (disaster-damaged roads), stormwater and signage (MDRG)	Prudhoe Village (Ward 11)	26 Aug. 2025 – 16 Mar. 2026	6 community members employed and CLO
9km Road Rehabilitation stormwater and signage (MDRG)	Wesley Village (Ward 12)	28 Aug. 2025 – 27 Feb. 2026	11 community members and CLO
5km Internal Street Paving, stormwater and signage (MIG)	Glenmore Village (Ward 7)	28 Aug. 2025 – 27 Feb. 2026	13 community members and CLO
Electrification of 173 houses (Eskom)	Villages: Gcinisa, Bell, Ntilini, Tuku A & C, Crossroads, Leqeni, Tyityaba (Ward 6 & 12)	Aug. - Oct. 2025	7 community members
High Mast Lighting Project (MIG)	Mgababa: 2 high mast lights, Feni (3: high mast lights)	14 Jul. – 15 Dec. 2025	10 community members (5 per village)
8km Gravel Road Rehabilitation with culverts, Stormwater, drains (MDRG)	Tuba (2.7km), Upper Qeto (2.5km), Sigingqini (2.6km)	04 Sep. 2025 - 04 Apr. 2026	18 community members (6 per village)



MIG: MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT
MDRG: MUNICIPAL DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT

SWEARING IN OF WARD 11 COUNCILLOR

25 JULY 2025

Ngomhla we 25 kwinyanga yeKhala (July) 2025, uMasipala uqhube inkqubo yokufungisa uMnumzana Phumlile Nkulwana njengoCeba omtsha okhokhela kwaWadi 11, obandakanya iilali, Mphekweni, Prudhoe, Mgababa, kunye neMkhanyeni. Inkqubo yokufungisa yaqhutywa kwiOfisi zeNkundla kaMantyi (Magistrate Court) kwidolophu yaseNgqushwa.



CLLR. PHUMLILE NKULWANA

UMantyi Ntsunguzi ufungisile, waxhobisa uMnumzana Nkulwana ngokusesikweni ukuba athathe izibophelelo zakhe zokusebenza njengelungu loluntu olukumgangatho ophakamileyo.

Le nkqubo ilandela ulonyulo lwe (By-Elections) olwalu fezekiswe ngomhla we-16 kuJulayi 2025, apho uMnumzana Nkulwana waphumelela khona ngokusemthethweni ukuba abe nguCeba wakwaWadi 11. Ukufunga kwakhe kuqinisekisa ukuba uza kulandela imithetho nemigaqo kaMasipala, kwaye kunika abantu baseWadi 11 ithemba lokuba bazakufumana inkxaso kunye nolawulo olusebenzayo.

Mayor Maneli Joins GBV Awareness and Prayer Session in Glenmore

20 AUGUST 2025



Gender Base Violence Awareness and Prayer Session at MCSA Horton Circuit 241 Glenmore Society

Mayor Sanga Maneli attended a Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Awareness and Prayer Session hosted by the Methodist Church of Southern Africa (MCSA) Horton Circuit 241 Glenmore Society in partnership with the South African Police Service (SAPS) and the Department of Social Development.



The event served as a platform to stand united against GBV, raise awareness and encourage victims to speak out and seek support. It also highlighted the importance of community collaboration in addressing the scourge of violence and offering care to survivors.

The gathering was guided by the scripture from the book of Isaiah 1:17: "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow."



Mayor Maneli commended the initiative and reaffirmed the Municipality's commitment to continue working with faith-based organizations, law enforcement, and social partners in creating safer communities.

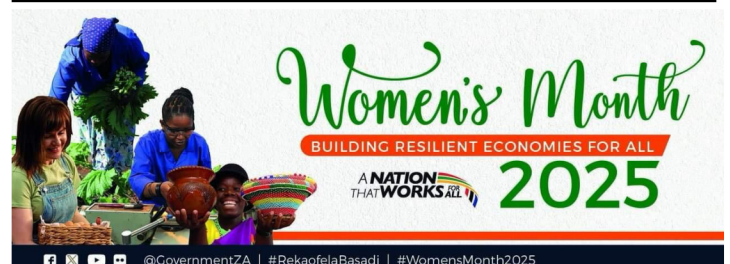
CLOSING WOMEN'S MONTH WITH A STAND AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

Ngqushwa Local Municipality through the Office of the Speaker, Cllr. Daniswa Ncanywa partnered with the Moral Regeneration Movement, Council of Churches, Multi-Party Women's Caucus and the broader community and closed off Women's Month with a Gender-Based Violence march.

The march was prompted by the alarming rise of GBV cases in Ngqushwa particularly in Ward 8 (Peddie Extension and Power areas) and it was held under the theme: "Accelerating Women's Participation in Leadership: Building Resilient Economies for All." The procession from Peddie Women Support Centre led to Peddie Town Sportsfield where a solemn prayer session was conducted with a scripture from the Book of Genesis 1- Verse 3: "Let there be light," which symbolizes hope, healing and a new dawn for the community.

Council Speaker, Cllr. Daniswa Ncanywa called for unity and collective action in the fight against Gender-Based Violence. She urged the community to stand together and stressed that men had to take an active role in ending GBV and become champions of change. She further encouraged women not to remain silent when facing any form of abuse but to "*speak out*" and seek support, reminding everyone that breaking the silence was a vital step towards justice and healing.

On behalf of the Women's Caucus, Cllr. Thobeka Dinginto expressed appreciation to community members for their participation and reaffirmed the call for unity, solidarity, and collective action in the ongoing fight against GBV and femicide.



The Office of the Speaker, together with the Women's Caucus led by Cllr Thobeka Dinginto, in partnership with the Department of Social Development, the Commission for Gender Equality and various NGOs, hosted a Gender-Based Violence (GBV) awareness event at the Peddie Family Resource Centre. The programme responded to the worrying increase in GBV cases within Ngqushwa, as well as the recurring challenge of victims withdrawing cases. Stakeholders used the platform to educate community members about their rights, available support systems, and the importance of breaking the cycle of abuse.

As part of the day's proceedings, Speaker Daniswa Ncanywa donated a microwave oven to the Peddie Family Resource Centre, which played a vital role in the community by offering after-school care for children and providing a safe space for elderly residents who also engaged in sewing and other income-generating activities.

The initiative reinforced the commitment of Ngqushwa leadership and its partners to empowering and protecting vulnerable groups, particularly during Women's Month.



RAPID RESPONSE TASK TEAM HELD GBV & FEMICIDE AWARENESS IN GOBOZANA

25 SEPTEMBER 2025

Ngqushwa Local Municipality's Rapid Response Task Team (RRT), led by Acting Mayor for the day, Cllr. Lindiwe Mdabula, together with the Women's Caucus, the Council of Churches, Traditional Leaders and stakeholders hosted a Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Femicide Awareness Programme in Gobozana Location, Ward 1. The outreach followed a rise in reported GBV and Femicide cases in the area.

Ward Councillor Mfundo Gqo opened the session with a call for unity and God's intervention. Acting Mayor Mdabula stressed the urgency of addressing GBV and Femicide, noting that the violence affected not only Gobozana but the wider Ngqushwa community and the country at large.

Speakers included representatives from the Amathole District RRT, the Men's Sector, the Department of Social Development, and SAPS collectively called for accountability, prevention, survivor-centred support, and urged men to lead positively in families. Residents were encouraged to report cases early and not to withdraw complaints.

The programme ended with prayer and words of comfort from the William Kamma Methodist Church of Southern Africa, Bishop/Dr. M. Leleki who emphasized the need for renewed commitment in protecting communities and supporting victims.



NGQUSHWA YOUTH EMPOWERED ON GOVERNMENT E-RECRUITMENT SKILLS

12 AUGUST 2025

Ngqushwa Local Municipality, together with the Office of the Premier and the Eastern Cape Department of Public Works & Infrastructure, hosted a training session for local youth on:

- How to register and log in on E-recruitment
- Creating and editing a profile
- Uploading required documents
- Resetting a forgotten password

The session empowered youth with the knowledge and practical skills needed to navigate the digital e-recruitment process with confidence.

The Manager in the Office of the Mayor, Ms. Nodumo Ncapayi, encouraged youth to take part in initiatives that could equip them with skills to start the businesses they aspire to run. She emphasized that the municipality was committed to supporting individuals who were willing to work for themselves through available funding opportunities. Lastly, she said, "Not everyone would be employed by government," which is why the municipality encouraged youth to create their own opportunities and venture into areas that would elevate them."



PETROLEUM AGENCY SOUTH AFRICA ENGAGED NGQUSHWA COMMUNITY ON OIL AND GAS OPPORTUNITIES

07 AUGUST 2025

on the 12 August 2025 the Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) in collaboration with COGTA held a workshop at Ncumisa Kondlo Hall to provide a clear understanding of the natural resources available in the district. Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) presented information on potential oil and gas activities in and around Amathole, highlighting the possible benefits for the local economy.

PASA is the national agency mandated to manage upstream petroleum resources, which includes resource evaluation and promotion, regulation, data management, special projects, and training within the sector. The agency plays a key role in the exploration of recoverable energy, aiming to consolidate all available energy sources to address poverty and stimulate development across South Africa.

The agency emphasized that studies will be conducted along public roads to assess the area's suitability for development. In addition, there may be offshore exploration to evaluate the potential for ocean-based oil reserves. Today's presentation was a valuable eye-opener, revealing the natural resource potential within the Amathole District and the role it could play in transforming Ngqushwa's local economy.

There are also bursaries available for learners interested in pursuing science-related studies(Natural Sciences: engineering and Technology) on PASA website. Website: www.upstreamtrainingtrust.org.za





INFORMATION DAY: NGQUSHWA FARMERS EMPOWERED ON RED MEAT PRODUCTION



11 SEPTEMBER 2025

Ngqushwa Local Municipality, in partnership with the Department of Agriculture, hosted a Red Meat Production Information Day at Richmond Farm in Ward 12. The event aimed to provide local farmers with practical knowledge and resources to strengthen livestock and crop production.

The Council Speaker, Cllr D. Ncanywa, urged farmers to embrace agriculture as a sustainable livelihood. She encouraged them to apply the information that had been shared to reduce dependence on outside suppliers, reminding farmers that the municipality had land suitable for farming. She further announced plans to establish a beef value chain that would benefit both livestock and grain producers.

Stock Theft Awareness: Sergeant Ngcolomba emphasized the importance of branding livestock for easy identification, maintaining secure fencing and avoiding vigilante actions in response to stock theft.

Branding is one of the most effective ways of protecting livestock against theft and loss. Each animal receives a unique, permanent mark that identifies the owner.

Benefits Helps farmers trace stolen or lost animals back to their rightful owners. Serves as evidence in cases of stock theft when dealing with the police or courts. Discourages theft, since branded animals are difficult to sell illegally. Makes it easier to manage herds during auctions, sales, or community grazing.

The day concluded with an interactive question and answer session, during which participants engaged on topics such as veldfire management, the benefits and risks of veldfires for grass growth, and the ECRDA funding application process and required documentation.

Rural Finance Opportunities: www.ecrda.co.za

Animal Nutrition: www.meadowfeeds.co.za

Pasture Management & Fodder: www.barenbrug.co.za

Livestock Health Management: www.msda-animal.com





ST THOMAS SPECIAL SCHOOL MARKED DEAF AWARENESS MONTH IN PEDDIE

02 SEPTEMBER 2025



September month is designated as International Month for Deaf People, St Thomas Special School visited Peddie to raise awareness and celebrate the abilities of people who are deaf in terms of linguistic, artistic, social and cultural contributions.

The programme highlighted that children with hearing impairments can learn to dance and achieve just as much as others. Through song, dance, and motivational messages, the learners encouraged the community to break the stigma and to stop hiding children with hearing impairments. They reminded everyone that being deaf should not be seen as a limitation.

In the Eastern Cape, there are only four schools, including St. Thomas Special School that accommodate learners who are deaf. The other schools are located in Umtata, Port Elizabeth, and East London. Parents and guardians who had children with hearing impairments were encouraged to reach out to the schools for more information and support.

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UNKOSI MZIKAYISE KAULELA UGCOTYIWE WAMBATHISWA NGOMNWEBA NJJENGENKOSI YESIZWE SAMABHELE ASEMBUTHWENI - “AAAH! DUMAKUDE”



Ngomhla ka 26 kweYomsintsi 2025 kwilali yaseCisira kwisizwe samaBhele aseMbuthweni eNgqushwa, uNkosi Mzikayise Welcome Kaulela, “Aaah!!! Dumakude” weSizwe samaBhele aseMbuthweni, umbathisiwe ngomnweba yiKumkani yamaRharhabe, uKumkani Sandile Aaah!!! Vululwandle ebambisene noNkosi Siwani. Ukugcotywa kweNkosi kwenziwa nguBishop Andile Mbete weBandla lamaMethodi aseMzantsi Afrika.

Umsitho ubuzinyaswe ngabantu bephume ngobuninzi beze kungqina imini yembali yokubekwa kweNkosi. IIndwendwe ezibekekileyo ebezikho sibalula, uSekela Mphathiswa weSebe uCOGTA kuZwelonke, uMnumzana Zolile Burns- Ncamashe, uMphathiswa weSebe lakwaCOGTA eMpuma Koloni uMnumzana Zolile Williams, Umphathiswa weSebe lezeMfundo kwiPhondo iMpuma Koloni uMnumzana Fundile Gade, INdlu yeeNkosi ePhondweni, uBishop Sox. Leleki weBandla lamaMethodi kwisiThili saseWilliam Kamma, uSodolophu Anele Ntsangani womasipala wesiThili i-Amathole kunye noSodolophu Sanga Maneli womasipala i-Ngqushwa.

USodolophu Maneli unikezela amazwi enkuthazo, esithi intsebenziswano phakathi koMasipala neNdlu yeeNkosi intle kakhulu, kwaye unethemba lokuba iya kuqhubeka kanjalo kugqame uphuhliso eNgqushwa. Izithethi zonke bezi gxile kuphuhliso loluntu.

ISizwe samaRharhabe simelwe nguPrince Zolile Burns - Ncamashe, nothethe wathi: “Bhele, kukho izinto ezintathu omawuqiniseke ngazo: ukuba ufikeleleke, ufumaneke , ubonakale phakathi kwabantu kwaye uxabise, uhloniphe ubuKhosi. UThixo makakusindise, akugcine, ukhokhele isizwe samaBhele aseMbuthweni.”

Nkosi Kaulela kwintetho yakhe yokubulela, uthe: “Sizwe samaBhele aseMbuthweni, le yeyethu sonke. Masibambisane ukwakha iSizwe sethu. Asikho isiqalo esitsha, siyaqhubeka nendlela ebesihamba ngayo. Masiphathisane, sithembe kuThixo ophezulu.

UMfundisi B. Mabandla ubulele bonke abantu ngentlonipho, intsebenziswano nenxaxheba abayenzileyo khonukuze le mini ibe yimpumelelo, waza uBishop Sox Leleki wawuqukumbela umsitho ngomthandazo.



HOMEcomings OF MALE INITIATES

30 SEPTEMBER 2025



Ngqushwa Local Municipality in partnership with councillors, traditional leaders, and sector departments, hosted a successful Male Initiation Homecoming programme under the theme “Babuye Bephila.” The event was directed by Councillor Phumlile Nkulwana, with the opening prayer led by Reverend Xolisani Mdyogolo. Chief Njokweni welcomed the guests, while the purpose of the day was outlined by Mayor Sanga Maneli.

In his address, Mayor Maneli expressed pride in the municipality’s cultural heritage and the safe return of initiates, “We are here today to say babuye bephila. We are fortunate as Ngqushwa Municipality to be one of the few municipalities without any male initiate deaths. He said to Akwala, you are now counted amongst men. In Peddie, we are a culturally centred municipality that celebrates traditions, and that is one of the main elements of manhood. One of the oaths of Mqwashu is to teach our children, and that is what we are doing. There is one word in manhood – Indoda lyanyamezela.”

Councillor Shaun Nyaniso reported the progress report since December 2024, that a total of 779 initiates returned safely with zero deaths recorded. In June, 77 initiates plus 8 from Nomzamo also returned safely. The Initiation Forum in October will also conduct awareness programmes in hotspot areas such as Gqugqwala and Bhele.

Councillor Nyaniso further acknowledged the support of NGOs like Right to Care, which assists with water and transportation and the Department of Health which provides essential health services. Plans to strengthen partnerships with SAPS and the Department of Social Development were also highlighted.

Messages of Support

Chief Mzikayise Kaulela (ADM Initiation Forum) commended the initiates, urging them to uphold manhood with integrity: He said, “protect manhood, protect each other. A man does not rape, does not steal, does not abuse. This world requires educated men who stay off the streets.”

Chief Sizakeke Ngwekazi (Provincial House of Traditional Leaders) emphasized the responsibilities of manhood and said, “Being a man carries great responsibility—building a home, breaking the chain of poverty and completing your studies while taking care of your body and well-being.”

Mr. Ndzimela from the Department of Education also encouraged them to continue with their studies as education is an ongoing commitment to their professional development.

The guest speaker, Mr Bulelani Phalezweni—a mentor, counselor for men and boys, social and gender activist, and entrepreneur—shared words of encouragement. He referenced Proverbs 6:16–19, calling for a future where zero deaths among initiates becomes a permanent reality, as in the olden days.

Ngqushwa Council Speaker, Councillor Daniswa Ncanywa extended gratitude to all stakeholders who worked tirelessly to ensure initiates safety. She emphasized the importance of respect and self-control, urging young men to distance themselves to activities that do not empower them. She concluded and said, “let us keep and honour our traditions with dignity.”

NOMBUYISELO MAGINGXA SOCCER FREEDOM CUP TOURNAMENT 2025

30 SEPTEMBER 2025

Ngqushwa Local Municipality working together with Ngqushwa Sports Federation held the Nombuyiselo Magingxa Soccer Freedom Cup Tournament.

The municipality remembered and honoured the former Mayor and Speaker of the municipality "Mama Magingxa," as she was known by keeping her legacy through a soccer tournament that took place at Peddie Town and Peddie Extension sports fields and brought together different teams across Ngqushwa to compete and win prizes.

Former Mayor Magingxa served in Council structures between 2006 and 2011 and was elected Council Speaker in 2016, a position she served until becoming Mayor in 2020. She was a dedicated and committed people's leader with great plans for Ngqushwa.

FIXTURES- KICK-OFF

11 Masters FC vs Fearless FC
PK FC vs Super Strikers
Brazil FC vs Archies
Romans vs Real Aces

SEMI -FINAL

Fearless FC vs Pk United
Real Aces vs Brazil

SOCCER: UNDER 15

Fearless vs Manchester United

CURTAIN RAISING GAME

Ngqushwa Legends vs Ngqushwa Local Municipality

THE NOMBUYISELO MAGINGXA FREEDOM CUP TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

FIXTURES

1st Prize: R4 000 & Cup - PK United
2nd Prize: R3 000 - Real Aces
3rd Prize: R2000 - Brazil

SOCCER GAME - UNDER 15

Manchester United - Cup & Gold Medals

CURTAIN RAISING GAME

1st Prize: Peddie Legends - Cup & Gold Medals
2nd Prize: Ngqushwa Local Municipality

PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT

Mr. Siyamthanda Davids: PK United -

TOP GOAL SCORER

Mr. Lutholwethu Dala: Real Aces


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