

## **EDITORIAL**

You are holding the first edition of Kwa Sani Municipality service delivery newsletter. For over a year we have discussed the mandate of creating a platform for communicating with residents what the municipality is doing for them. The newsletter must be seen as a vehicle to complement other communication measures. The road has not been easy due to circumstances beyond our control in producing this edition. On this edition we take a look at service delivery, Housing and we also continue to educate and share information with the community why a need for Integrated Development Plan and public participation.

South Africa as a country and Kwa Sani as the municipality has only the good stories to tell and share with the world, one may picture this democracy as a child growing up and reaching his or her teen stages with challenges, trials and triumphs but today this child is 20 years old.

Kwa Sani as the municipality has only existed for 11 years but it has managed to contribute in improving the lives of the people for better, there is still a lot to be done but as the municipality we proud ourselves with the little we have done and we look forward with great anticipation of what to come in the future. The people of Kwa Sani have access to clean water, houses, roads and electricity an achievement indeed. They say evil prevails when good man fail to act and as Kwa Sani municipality we have programmes that are aimed at empowering people, especially the youth, programmes from our Local Economic Development office, Tourism, Arts and Culture as well as Special programmes unit. As the municipality by so doing, we are shining the torch into a pit where no helmet has ever shine .The Municipality makes efforts to organise and host stakeholders meetings and ward meetings where respective councillors and officials interact with and give feedback to residents on service delivery and it is during these meetings that we will be able to know what residents need. However, we felt that these platforms might not be enough to communicate with residents, and we trust that this newsletter will inform you of how far we have come as the municipality and what is happening in Kwa Sani Municipality. We will not only report and reflect on what the municipality does, but also on what happens in the municipality in partnership with our sector departments locally. Our editorial approach is to give you news that informs, entertains and educate, and will adopt a mainly positive angle. We hope that you will enjoy reading this service delivery newsletter, and this is how the good story begins.

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