



NGAKA MODIRI MOLEMA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

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Immediate Release

MEDIA ENQUIRY-NOORDWESTER ON LICHTENBURG FIRE STATION

As per your enquiry dated 19 August 2019, Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality can put it on record that all employees of the Municipality have designated Job Descriptions of which they had signed and work according to their Key Performance Areas.

The Lichtenburg Fire Station is one the services that are supervised under the Department of Community Services and has a Manager Fire and Rescue Services as well as District Chief Fire Officer who in turn have Assistant Chief Fire Officers based in all our Local Municipalities except Mahikeng Local Municipality.

All Fire personnel report daily to these Assistant Chief Fire Officers who ensure that there is productivity and service delivery.

The Municipality is surprised by the allegation that there are no oversight or any visit by Superior, please be informed that:

- The Municipal Manager visited that fire station in May 2019.
- Portfolio Committee on Community Services in partnership with MPAC visited all fire stations in the district inclusive of Lichtenburg Fire Station on the 8th to 9th of July 2019 as part of their oversight role.

On the issue of tools of trade, currently there are two operational trucks based at the Lichtenburg Fire Station, and in case of a severe need of backup, Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality and Ditsobotla Local Municipality has an Intergovernmental Relations agreement with the Local Cement Factory on various service delivery aspects.

Please note that, for the Financial Year 2019/2020, the municipality has budgeted R20.2 million for new Fire Fighting Trucks of which the procurement processes are underway.

Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality put on record that the allegation of a payment of R 2 million to a contractor for renovation of the Lichtenburg Fire Station is a fallacy and an unfounded statement.

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