

Trio arrested for unlicensed firearms

POLICE efforts to fight the proliferation of unlicensed firearms in the OR Tambo district in the Eastern Cape have resulted in the arrest of three suspects in Libode for possession of unlicensed firearms with ammunition.

The police tactical team acted on information which led them to Mpindweni on January 23.

They recovered two unlicensed firearms and arrested two male suspects from different households.

Both firearms had intact serial numbers, and one was reported at Madeira Police Station as stolen in March 2024.

Both suspects appeared before the Libode Magistrate's Court on Friday, and their case was remanded to January 30 for a formal bail application. At the time of going to print, outcomes of the court proceedings were not available.

In a separate incident in Mqanduli, police recovered a 12 GA shotgun with

intact serial number and 11 rounds of ammunition.

A suspect (35) was arrested. SAPS spokesperson Captain Welile Matyolo said that investigations into all recovered firearms were established. The OR Tambo district police commissioner Major General Norman Modishana has applauded police for their hard work and determination in recovering unlicensed firearms in the district. -Supplied



Firearms recovered by police. /Supplied

Man behind bars for murder and robbery

REPORTER

A MAN (23) was recently sentenced by the Pietermaritzburg High Court after he was found guilty of business robberies, attempted murder of two police officers and a spaza shop owner, and the murder of a spaza shop owner (43) in Donnybrook. Police spokesperson Mosa Hlaki said that the convict and his accomplice robbed a spaza shop in the village of Nkwezela in Donnybrook on October 18, 2022 where they took an undisclosed amount of money and a cellphone. The spaza shop owner was shot and wounded during the robbery. A week later, they robbed another spaza shop in the same village and killed the shop owner. As a result of police investi-

gations, one of the suspects was arrested in Bulwer.

"During the arrest, the accused opened fire on police and injured one police officer, and the other suspect ran away," said Hlaki.

The convicted criminal had been in custody during trial and was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment for business robbery, and seven years for attempted murder.

He was also given another 15 years' imprisonment for business robbery, life imprisonment for murder, and seven years for attempted murder of two police officers.

The second suspect was killed in Durban by the Hawks while allegedly resisting the arrest. Sergeant Siyabulela Lukhuzela of Bulwer SAPS investigated the case.



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Measures to preserve cleanliness

REPORTER

UMUZIWABANTU Local Municipality in Harding has this week informed members of the public about developments in waste collection services that were disrupted due to the breakdown of two compactor trucks. The municipality announced temporary measures to address the matter. It said a cage truck and tipper truck were activated to collect waste.

Municipal spokesperson Bruce Jalubani said collection of waste commenced in the

Harding town in Ward 3 and Greenfields. On Wednesday, the service was taken to the Mazakhele area.

"Mechanics have assured us that compactor trucks will be repaired within this week, enabling us to ensure that all services return to normal as scheduled by Monday, February 3. We will keep the community updated accordingly," he said.

He said that the municipality has been working hard to restore services back to normal.



DR NKOSAZANA DLAMINI-ZUMA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY PUBLIC NOTICE

2024/25 MID -YEAR BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT REPORT & 2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Notice is hereby given that the Council of Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Local Municipality has sat on 22 January 2025 to consider, note and approve the following documents as tabled by the Mayor:

- The Annual Report for 2023/24 (in terms of Section 127 (5) of the Municipal Finance Management Act (56 of 2003) and Section 21 (a) of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000)
- The Mid-Year Budget and Performance Assessment Report for the 2024/25 financial year (Section 72 of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003)

In terms of Section 72(1) of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003, that the Accounting Officer of the Municipality must by 25 January each year, assess the performance of the Municipality during the first half of the financial year. The 2024/25 Mid-Year Budget and Performance Assessment Report has been prepared and tabled in a Council meeting that was held on the 22nd of January 2025.

In terms of Section (3)4 b of the local government Municipal Planning and Performance Management Regulations (2001) under the Local Government Municipal Systems (Act 32, 2000) that the Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Municipality has made amendments to the strategic objectives and indicators Chapter of the 2024/2025 Integrated Development Plan and will be given effect in the revised 2024/2025 Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan.

All Stakeholders, members of the public and the entire community of Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Local Municipality, Government Institutions, private sector and civil society organizations are hereby invited to view the documents and submit representations in connection with the aforesaid documents at:

1. Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Local Municipality, Main Street, Creighton (Reception Area)
2. Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Local Municipality, 32 Arbuckle Street, Himeville, 3256 (Reception Area)
3. Municipal website: www.ndz.gov.za

All comments should be made in writing and submitted for the attention of the Municipal Manager by end of business day on the 17th of February 2025.

Enquiries should be directed to: The Office of the Municipal Manager for the attention of The Manager: Strategic Support Services, Mr N.N. Vakalisa and The Chief Financial Officer: Mr P Mtungwa, on tel: (039) 833 1038.

ISAZISO ZOMPHAKATHI

Lesi isaziso somphakathi sokuthi iMeya kaMasipala (Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma) wethule Lemibiko kwisigungu soMkhandlu emhlanganweni obuhleli mhla zingama 22 kuMasingana 2025 ukuze isigungu somMkhandlu sicubungule, siphinde siphasisise lemibiko elandelayo:

- I-Annual Report yonyaka-mali ka 2023/2024 (ngokweSigaba 127 (5) soMthetho olawula ukuphathwa kwezimali zikaMasipala) 56 of 2003 kanye neSigaba 21 somthetho we Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000.
- NgokweSigaba 72(1) seMunicipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003, uMphathi woMkhandlu ukuthi ngaphambi kuka 25 kuMasingana njalo ngonyaka acubungule ebese enza umbiko okhombisa ukusebenza koMkhandlu wamaphakathi nonyaka/weSigaba sokuqala sonyaka.
- Umbiko waphakathi nonyaka ka 2024/2025 wezezimali kanye nokusebenza kukaMasipala ngokweSigaba 72 woMthetho wezokuphathwa kwezimali zikaMasipala MFMA Act No. 56 ka 2003.
- NgokweSigaba (3) 4 (b) se local government Municipal planning and performance management regulations (2001) under the local government municipal systems (Act 32, 2000) uMkhandlu i-Dkt. Nkosazana Dlamini- Zuma wenze izichibiyelo kwiSigaba sikasomqulu wentuthuko edididiyelwe.

Lemibiko itholakala kulezizindawo ezilandelayo:

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Yonke imibono mayibhalwe ithunyelwe kuMphathi woMkhandlu ngaphambi komhlaziyi 17 kuNhlolanja 2025. Ngencazelo eyengeziwe ungaxhumana no Nksz N.N. Vakalisa Kanye noMnu. P Mtungwa ehovisi loMphathi kaMasipala ku (039) 833 1038.

N.C.VEZI: MUNICIPAL MANAGER