

# EPHRAIM MOGALE

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### **HERITAGE CELEBRATION AND OFFICIAL HAND OVER OF SIX HIGH MAST LIGHTS AT GREENSIDE VILLAGE, WARD 13**

The Hon mayor of Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality has celebrated Heritage day under the theme " Celebrating our cultural diversity in democratic South Africa" and officially handed over SIX HIGH MAST LIGHTS to community of Greenside village in ward 13 of Ephraim Mogale local Municipality.

In attendace was the National Police Commissioner General Sehlahle Fanny Masemola who hails from here in Greenside village, Speaker of Council Cllr Rebecca Lentsoane, Whip of Council Cllr Itumeleng Magane, Exco members Mary Ramphele, Eunice Tshiguvho, Ward Councillors Nkoana TP, Cllr Kutu TC, Mmamahlako K, Seloma RM, Mahubane SE and Director of Community services Maphuta Mashaba MY.

The two pronged event was decorated by different cultural groups across the municipality and they showcased their attire, traditional dances and talents as they entertain the audience.

His worship Mayor encouraged communities to take part in all cultural activities so that they could understand and promote to their different cultures. He also called on community members to take part in sporting activities from their respective villages to sharpen their skills and talents. He awarded all the cultural groups with trophies as a token of appreciation for honoring the event.

Gen. Masemola applauded the municipality for providing the High Mast lights in the village and indicated that these will help the community in reducing crime such as car hijackings and stock theft.

He promised the Mayor that he will bring a Crime Awareness Imbizo that would address all crime related matters in the Municipality. He made a clarion call that communities must work together with police to curb crime.

"We are so excited as residents of Greenside village to have Six high mast lights that provide massive light in our village during the night. Now we are able to walk freely, send our children to the shops during the night without fear of being attacked by criminals and we are no longer experiencing burglary and stock theft as community" said Mme Mohlahlo.

"These high mast lights that we are officially handing over here today will help to minimize acts of criminality more especially on stock theft and other crimes. We are calling on the community to safeguard the property because it is your asset and it will benefit you for the longest time if you protect it.

I see lot of young people here embracing their culture here today and they must be encouraged and nurtured to write, sing, dance, live learn about it. As future leaders of this country, you must engage in activities that would help you to develop and grow. Please avoid social ills such as teenage pregnancy, alcohol, drug abuse and crime. Forward with culture and heritage," said the mayor.

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