

Media Alert



Allegations of Fraud with a Security Services Tender in Dr Beyers Naude Local Municipality

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We have noted, with concern, about the unfounded allegations of fraud with the recent awarding of a security services tender in the Municipality. These allegations have been in the public domain for some time but we are glad that those with the so-called evidence have now decided to do the right thing, namely to report the matter to the SAPS. We will, as previously promised in the SIU case, also give our full cooperation with the investigation of SAPS.

We suspect that the individuals or grouping who, not so long ago, reported allegations of maladministration and corruption to the SIU, are the same who are now alleging that fraud has been committed with the current security services tender. We do not intend to entertain the allegations previously reported to the SIU as all of those tenders, which are also again being referred to now in the media, are currently still being assessed by the SIU. We will not grandstand or trial anyone in the media and must allow the process to proceed unhindered. We patiently await the outcome of the assessment currently undertaken by the SIU. There is also reference made to the record of a supply chain matter previously reported to SAPS. We do not interfere with the work of SAPS and anyone who is looking for information regarding that matter, must please direct their request to SAPS.

It is alleged that certain municipal officials have committed fraud with the awarding of the current security services tender. The Municipality has no evidence supporting these allegations and would like to appeal to anyone with such evidence and/or information to share it with myself as the Mayor. The internal processes of the Municipality and that of the SAPS are completely separate and each will follow its own conclusion.

The Municipality welcomes that this matter is now with the SAPS who must be allowed the necessary space and time to investigate the allegations and would like to encourage all residents to report any such irregularity with the necessary authorities and also provide any evidence supporting such allegations.

In closing, I as the Mayor, would like to appeal that we all wait and allow the law enforcement agencies to do its work. The final outcome of the aforementioned matter will be fully communicated to the residents and stakeholders of Dr Beyers Naude Local Municipality.

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