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### **DIPALESENG COMMUNITY MEMBERS RECEIVE TITLE DEEDS**

The District Executive Mayor, Cllr. Muzi Chirwa, Dipaleseng Executive Mayor, Cllr. Mafunda Makhubu together with councilors from both municipalities were in attendance when a total of two hundred and thirty seven (237) community members from various areas in ward 1, 2 and 4 in Siyathemba, Balfour were handed over title deeds to their properties at an event that took place at Thusong Service Centre in Siyathemba on Monday, 04<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

“This is one of the greatest achievements of the current democratic government in restoring the dignity of black South Africans by giving them opportunity to own property, even going the extra mile by acquiring the services of conveyancers to conduct the process of transferring these deeds from the state to the relevant beneficiaries and then paying them, said Councilor Muzi Chirwa, the district Executive Mayor.

It goes without saying that the beneficiaries were full of excitement and jubilation, especially the senior citizens who had long awaited the realization of this day. A further two hundred and eight (208) more title deeds will be handed over to citizens from ward 6 in Nthoroane in the near future.

“Today we are here to fulfill Section 25 of the Bill of Rights in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, which gives citizens of the country the right to own their own properties and are proud that we are still keeping to the principles of OR Tambo though our mandate of serving our communities”, concluded Chirwa.

The district Executive Mayor further placed emphasis on the role and responsibilities of public servants including municipal employees, sector departments, EPWP workers, Community Development Workers and Ward Committees to serve the community with due diligence and put the needs of the community first at all times.

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