

PUBLIC NOTICE

BID ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE



Mopani District
Municipality

Invitation for the Public to attend Bid Adjudication Committee (BAC) for the Mopani District Municipality District Development Model Local Economic Development Initiative (MDM DDM LED Initiative) in terms of Section 113 Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA). MDM DDM LED Initiative is a strategic collaboration between Mopani District Municipality and MAPEO for the Implementation of the Technology Business Incubator & Value Chain Aggregator (Agriculture) as well as a Hybrid Energy Project at Moshupatsela Farm.

Mopani District Municipality is inviting members of the community to a Public BAC on the strategic collaboration between the MDM and MAPEO (Mukhufhi Agro-Processing and Essential Oils). The collaboration aims to implement a Technology Business Incubator and Value Chain Aggregator to support agricultural SMEs at Moshupatsela Farm, alongside a solar-wind hybrid energy project that will generate 58- 62 MW of renewable power to address the energy needs of the district.

This initiative, designed to stimulate economic growth, promote sustainable energy, and empower local businesses, is a significant step forward for Mopani District. The public BAC affords the community to understand the proposed collaboration and benefits thereof for SMEs in the district in specific sectors of the district economy.

Key Highlights of the Collaboration:

- Establishment Technology Business Incubator to support local farmers and agro-processors.
- Adoption of a Value Chain Approach anchored by a Hub and Spoke Cluster Model for the incubation and growth of SMEs in selected value chains taking one value chain at a time, starting with avocados, poultry, essential oils and textile.
- Development of Moshupatsela Farm as a model farm for practical training and development of farmers in the district and agricultural graduates in production and farm management. The farm will also be used for advanced training and refresher courses to ensure that the trainees and incubates are kept up to date with the state of the technologies, the industry and markets. The farm will also serve as the benchmark for the district clusters to set standards for performance within the value chain commodities under incubation.
- Creation of a Value Chain Aggregator to enhance agricultural production and local, continental and global market access in line with Strategic Planning Resolution to leverage SMEs opportunities emanating from Africa Continental Free Trade and BRICS.
- Development of a hybrid solar-wind energy project to generate 58- 62 MW of renewable energy for the district to support the manufacturing economy with energy security and ensure basic service delivery to the community.

Progress to date:

- In an Ordinary Council Sitting held on 31 October 2024 the MDM council noted the management decision to consider the MDM- MAPEO collaboration in line with section 113 of the Municipal Finance Management Act with the aim of catalysing Local Economic Development in Mopani District Municipality through the Value Chain Approach, Value Chain Aggregator and a Hub and Spoke (cluster) Business Incubation Model. (Resolution Number OCN/34/2024)
- Council resolved that the farm Broederstroomdrift 534 PTY (commonly known as Moshupatsela farm) under title deed number T92555/2007, located in Tzaneen area, will not be needed by Council for purposes of providing basic municipal service in term of section 14 and Section 90 of the MFMA.
- Council noted that the objective of the MoU with MAPEO, which includes a long-term lease agreement of the Moshupatsela farm, is Local Economic Development as the farm will be used as a centre for training and product standard measurement for the benefit of SMEs in the Mopani District Municipality through the Value Chain Approach, Value Chain Aggregator and a Hub and Spoke (cluster) Business Incubation Model.

Meeting Details:

Date: 21 September 2026

Venue: Tzaneen Disaster Centre - Greater Tzaneen Municipality

Time: 10h00 -13h00

NOTE:

Members of the public are invited to observe in the BAC and are not allowed to participate.

BAC Confirmation:

The Mopani District Municipality values the attendance of all community members and stakeholders. Your attendance is essential to the function of local government and realisation of the MDM Vision "To be the food basket of Southern Africa and Destination of Choice".

We look forward to receiving your attendance and engaging with you in shaping the future of the district economy. Kindly confirm your attendance by 15th September 2026 (Details Below).

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