



Type of Meeting: Ordinary Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 for the month of February 2026.

## AGENDA

1. OPENING AND WELCOME:
  - 1.1 WARD COUNCILLOR: Chairperson: Cllr. Lindy Martiz
2. OPENING PRAYER BY: Mr. Abraham Brits
3. ATTENDANCE REGISTER
  - 3.1 NUMBER OF WARD COMMITTEES PRESENT: 06
  - 3.2 NUMBER OF WARD COMMITTEES ABSENT: 05

4. APOLOGIES (INDICATE WHETHER WRITTEN OR VERBAL)

4.1	Ms. Nadine Bouwer (Resigned 31/01/2026) WC1078
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SECONDED: Mr. Jaco van der Merwe

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- Portfolio Human Settlement and Land Development – (email sent September 2025, October 2025, November 2025, December 2025 January 2026) **please see portfolio**

## 8. REPORTS

### 8.1 SECRETARY

Reports mailed from the 02 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of December '25
No birthdays for the month.
Stipend that was short paid is payment to SARS

## 8.2 CHAIRPERSON (CLLR)


## 8.3 CDW


## 9. PORTFOLIO REPORTS

### 9.1 HUMAN SETTLEMENT AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Report from Mr. Francois Hattingh read report attached....
An email was sent to the MM concerning all unfinished and partially
Constructed houses. A response was received but did not show accurate
Information, other properties were added to the list as well.
<b>Not Resolved</b>
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### 9.2 WATER, SANITION, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND PMU

Report by Ms. Engela van der Merwe please read report...
No Report
<b>Resolved</b>
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### 9.3 ROADS, STORM WATER AND PUBLIC WORKS

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<b>Resolved</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Cllr. Lindy to follow up on this matter.</b></li><li>• <b>The portfolio reports need to be read.</b></li><li>• <b>Merafong needs to give attention to this report.</b></li><li>• <b>Potholes have been reported to the Call centre.</b></li></ul>

### 9.4 PUBLIC SAFETY

No Report by Mr. JC van der Merwe ...
<b>Resolved:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>

### 9.5 LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Report by Mr JP van der Merwe....
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Three open stands adjacent to Olyf Gym. The owner of 28 and 30 Keurboom
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Resolved:</b></li><li>● <b>That Cllr Lindy follow up this matter with the Speaker and relevant Portfolio MMC.</b></li><li>● <b>A clean-up campaign in ward 14 needs to be launch.</b></li><li>● <b>Still nothing been done from Merafong side.</b></li><li>● <b>Mr. Abraham Brits will help with the matter of the construction.</b></li></ul>

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No Report
<b>Resolved:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>●</li></ul>

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## 10. CLOSURE

Chairperson closes the meeting at 18:33


SUBMISSIONS:

SUBMITTED BY: Heidi Hattingh Date: 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026

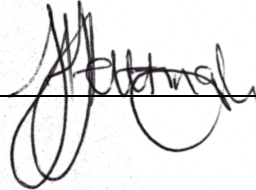
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