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EXECUTIVE MAYOR:
PETER TEIXEIRA

QUARTERLY STATEMENT TO MIDVAAL RESIDENTS

Dear Midvaal Residents,

On 26 June 2025, we held the Midvaal State of the Municipality Address (SOMA). Our theme for this year's address was #MidvaalOurHome – because Midvaal is more than just a place on the map. It is a space where families grow, businesses thrive, and communities come together. It is where we work, live, dream, and belong. It is the place we are proud to call home. This year's SOMA provided an honest reflection of where we are as a municipality, the challenges we face, and the plans underway to meet our mandate. Despite challenges, we will not stop working until every resident, in every corner of Midvaal, experiences the safety, dignity, and opportunity they deserve. We are Excellence in Action. Midvaal is not just a place on the map — it is the future. It is your home. It is our home.

Ald. Peter Teixeira
EXECUTIVE MAYOR



MIDVAAL EXCELLENCE RECOGNISED BY SALGA AND PMR. AFRICA

Midvaal Local Municipality remains a shining example of excellence and good governance. Our commitment has not gone unnoticed, as evidenced by the recent awards we received from the following institutions:

SOUTH AFRICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SALGA):

1. The Municipality that ensured accountability (swift consequences for transgressions and poor performance) for the 2023/2024 financial year.
2. Municipality that submitted quality Annual Financial Statements and Annual Performance Report (i.e. no corrections were made during audit) for the 2023/24 Financial Year.
3. The municipality that can pay service providers within 30 days for the 2023/2024 financial year.
4. Municipal capital grants service delivery for Local Municipalities for the 2023/24 Financial year. Midvaal had a 99.2% spending.
5. The municipality that has obtained a clean audit, and highlighting areas of improvement for the 2023/2024 financial year.



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PMR.AFRICA

1. Outstanding – 1st overall winner for Municipalities doing most: To clean the environment and to develop and enhance infrastructure
2. An Excellent Award for Municipalities doing the most: for job creation, social upliftment, to attract foreign investment, to attract tourism and to fight crime
3. The Executive Mayor, Alderman Peter Teixeira received Outstanding – 1st overall award for Pro-active Mayors.



MUNICIPAL INNOVATION MATURITY INDEX (MIMI)

1. Certification of appreciation awarded to Midvaal Local Municipality for participating in the Municipal Innovation Maturity Index.



MIDVAAL APPROVED PRO-POOR AND PRO-DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

In May 2025, the municipality approved a R2 billion pro-poor and pro-development budget. Midvaal Municipality is one of the few municipalities in Gauteng to approve a fully funded budget. This R2 billion 2025/2026 MTREF was drafted with careful consideration of the challenging economic climate facing the people of Midvaal, as well as the wider challenges faced by South Africa. It showcases a government that prioritises the well-being and interests of its residents. The MTREF budget is credible, effective, efficient, realistic and fully funded. Here are some of the highlights:

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A fully funded, and realistic **Medium-Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework (MTREF)** and **Integrated Development Plan (IDP)** for the 2025/2026 financial year of **R2.12 billion**



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56% is allocated to the Engineering Services Department, 22% has been allocated to Community Services.

This means that nearly 80% of the capital budget is being channelled into departments that directly affect the daily quality of life for Midvaal residents.



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MIDVAAL EMPOWERS YOUTH WITH SKILLS

To honour the commitment we made at the Youth Summit to empower the youth, sixty-two (62) young people from Midvaal completed training in Cellphone Repair, Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) skills, and other ICT-related programmes. This initiative was made possible through a partnership between the Department of Communications and Digital Technologies, the Department of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities, Midvaal Local Municipality, the National Electronic Media Institute of South Africa (NEMISA), the Vaal University of Technology (VUT), and Human Capital Learning Solutions (HCLS). Midvaal Local Municipality remains committed to creating opportunities and bringing them directly to our young people, ensuring they are equipped with the skills and resources needed to build a sustainable future.



MIDVAAL DONATES WHEELCHAIRS AND CRUTCHES

The municipality donated wheelchairs and crutches to people living with disabilities. This donation builds on last year's initiative, where we donated 40 wheelchairs and 20 pairs of crutches. This year, we have procured 40 wheelchairs and 80 pairs of crutches to ensure continued assistance for those in need. This initiative aligns with Midvaal's mission of being a people-centred and compassionate institution. As a local government, we recognise the importance of supporting our residents, especially the most vulnerable.



ANNUAL WALK WITH THE MAYOR EVENT - 2025



On Saturday, 31 May 2025, Midvaal hosted the annual Walk with the Mayor event at the Oval Park in Henley on Klip. The event is one of the Executive Mayor Peter Teixeira's initiatives aimed at fostering a culture of healthy living and community engagement in Midvaal. The Municipality hosts such events to bring communities together to interact and enjoy the outdoors. Over 500 participants took part in this year's event.



MIDVAAL COMMEMORATES YOUTH DAY BY HOSTING THE 2025 ANNUAL MAYORAL YOUTH GAMES

Midvaal Local Municipality hosted the annual Mayoral Youth Games to commemorate Youth Day on 16 June 2025 at the Sicelo Sports Ground. The Mayoral Youth Games are an initiative aimed at nurturing and celebrating young sports talent within Midvaal. Now in its fourth edition, the Mayoral Youth Games brought teams head-to-head in a spirited battle for the ultimate title and community recognition. The day featured sporting codes such as soccer and netball, and a surprise curtain-raiser match featuring South African soccer legends.



SPREAD THE LOVE



Through the Spread the Love initiative and in partnership with Lynca Meats, Harvest Fresh, Eco Sands and Stone, and Midvaal Community Radio, we distribute over 50 food packages every month to families in need across all 15 Wards. This programme ensures no one is left behind — because compassion is the currency of a caring government. We visited the following areas and centres in 2025:

1. Walking With Winners Recovery Centre – a patient addiction treatment facility in De Deur.
2. Precious Place of Hope – a centre that caters for the intellectually disabled.
3. Adonai Care Centre – a dedicated organisation committed to uplifting orphaned and vulnerable children in Walkerville and its surrounding areas.
4. Community of Komdraai in Ward 7



MAYORAL IMBIZO

This year, we launched the Mayoral Imbizo public engagements. These Imbizos are designed to connect with residents in the outlying areas of our municipality. So far, we have visited Henley on Klip (Ward 15), Tedderfield (Ward 7), De Deur (Ward 11), and New Kentucky. We engaged with residents and listened to the challenges they face. We have developed strategic plans to address the concerns raised, and work has already begun to tackle the issues faced by these communities.



POSITIONING MIDVAAL AS THE INVESTMENT DESTINATION OF GAUTENG

We continue to actively engage the private sector and foster strong Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) to drive economic growth, job creation, and sustainable development. By building collaborative relationships with key stakeholders, we are creating an environment that attracts investment and supports the long-term prosperity of our region. This year, we engaged with the French-South Africa Chamber of Commerce, Ingrain Meyerton Mill, Model Liquor Distributors, Meyerton Engineering, and several other businesses and investors. These partnerships are already paving the way for exciting new opportunities. We are confident they will further position Midvaal as the investment destination of Gauteng.



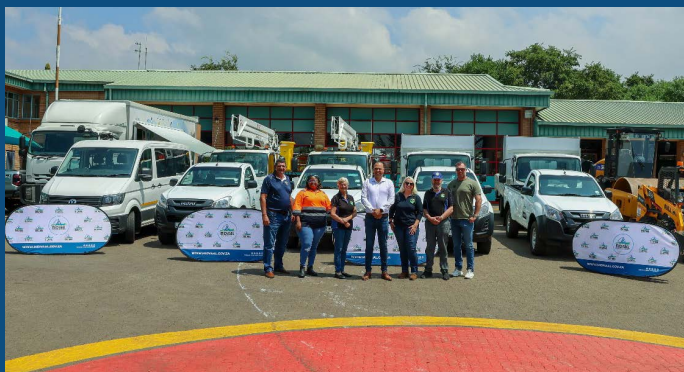
OPENING OF NEWLY TARRED ROADS IN MEYERTON FARMS

Midvaal officially opened two newly constructed gravel-to-tar road projects in Meyerton Farms, reinforcing our commitment to infrastructure development. The roads: Alma Road and Njala Street—were upgraded from gravel to tar at a total cost of over R9 million. As a municipality, we are proud to have fulfilled this IDP commitment. As part of our empowerment efforts, eleven (11) SMMEs were contracted in both wards, and fourteen (14) local labourers were employed for the project. The tarred roads will significantly improve the daily lives of our residents, ensuring safer and more convenient travel.



NEW FLEET TO ENHANCE SERVICE DELIVERY

Midvaal procured a fleet to enhance service delivery. The municipality recently unveiled fifteen (15) new vehicles, purchased at a cost of over R11 million. These vehicles will be allocated to various municipal departments to transport staff and address service delivery incidents, including water outages, sewer bursts, streetlight repairs, and tree felling. These latest additions bring Midvaal's total fleet to 268 vehicles, all dedicated to ensuring efficient and effective service delivery. Midvaal remains committed to investing in its fleet to ensure we effectively meet service delivery mandates.



MIDVAAL UNVEILS TWO NEWLY DEVELOPED PARKS

Midvaal recently unveiled two newly developed parks, Noldick Park and Kookrus Park. This is a part of our commitment to creating safe outdoor spaces for the community. These parks are designed to be inclusive recreational areas where families can spend quality time together, children can play safely, and residents can stay active in a beautiful outdoor setting. Midvaal has successfully developed twelve (12) parks in the past three years, with Noldick and Kookrus Park bringing the total to fourteen (14).



ELECTRIFICATION OF SAVANNA CITY HOUSES



Midvaal completed the electrification project for Savanna City - Extensions Three (3) and Four (4). The project involved the supply, delivery, installation, testing, and connection of electricity to fifty (50) households. Additionally, pole-top boxes and meters were installed to facilitate efficient energy distribution and usage. The project was completed at a cost of over R700 000. The electrification of these 50 households is in addition to the over 400 houses that were previously electrified in the Moreki and Marothong sections. The project is a testament to our commitment to improving infrastructure and ensuring access to basic services for all communities.



CONSTRUCTION OF DEDICATED SIDEWALK

Midvaal has completed Phase One of the construction of a dedicated sidewalk footpath, connecting the Meyerton Central Business District (CBD), particularly areas up to Golf Park, to the Riverstone Mall. This initiative forms part of Midvaal's broader commitment to enhancing infrastructure that supports safe, accessible, and sustainable mobility for all residents. The footpath will improve pedestrian safety and provide a safer, more convenient route for cyclists travelling in the area. The second phase of the project, which is expected to commence in this financial year, pending budget availability, will connect the Kookrus and Rothdene areas.



MIDVAAL UPGRADES ROTHDENE PUMP STATION TO IMPROVE SEWAGE MANAGEMENT AND ADDRESS ODOUR ISSUES

As part of our efforts to improve sewage management and eliminate odours affecting nearby communities, Midvaal has completed upgrades at the Rothdene Pump Station. The station processes sewage from areas including Sicelo, Henley on Klip, Daleside, and parts of the industrial areas. In response to community concerns about persistent foul smells, an odour control system has been installed. The odour control system is expected to eliminate the stench that has impacted nearby residents.



MIDVAAL INVESTS OVER R1.2 MILLION TO STRENGTHEN WATER QUALITY AND PROTECT RESIDENTS FROM WATERBORNE DISEASES

Midvaal Local Municipality has taken proactive measures to protect residents and guarantee that tap water remains safe and drinkable. The municipality has invested over R1.2 million in the installation of an Automated Chlorine Dosing System at the Meyerton Reservoir. The Meyerton Water Reservoir supplies water to over 80% of the Midvaal areas. It was therefore imperative to add an extra layer of protection as a first line of defence against microbial contamination in the distribution system, reducing the risk of waterborne disease outbreaks such as cholera. This investment reaffirms Midvaal's commitment to providing safe drinking water and safeguarding the health and well-being of our residents.



OPENING OF THE WALKERVILLE LANDFILL SITE

Midvaal has officially opened the Walkerville Landfill Site, marking a significant milestone in our journey towards full environmental compliance. After years of negotiations and a R30 million investment, this facility is now fully operational and aligned with national standards. It will serve as a flagship for good governance and environmental responsibility, reducing our reliance on costly private landfill sites. Over the next three years, we will invest a further R80 million to expand the site, ensuring it can serve our communities for the next decade. This is more than a landfill—it's a long-term commitment to sustainability, compliance, and service excellence.



SICELO TRANSFORMATIVE HOUSING INITIATIVE

The Sicelo Transformative Housing Initiative is making great progress. The project is set to benefit 540 families in the region. To date, 108 local workers from Ward 8 and Ward 10 have been employed to assist with the construction. This is a meaningful step toward improving living conditions and restoring dignity to our community. We will continue to monitor progress and work with the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements to ensure that construction is completed successfully.



EFFORTS TO ENHANCE COMMUNITY SAFETY

Although community safety is not a direct constitutional mandate of local government, as a municipality, we could not simply fold our arms while our communities are terrorised by criminals. We recently installed over ten advanced sniper license plate recognition (LPR) cameras in areas such as Savanna City, Elandsfontein, Henley on Klip, and others. To date, Midvaal has installed over 700 cameras across the municipality. These cameras monitor vehicles entering our jurisdiction, and any vehicle linked to criminal activity is immediately flagged. The municipality has also made provision for the employment of Law Enforcement Officers who will operate the recently acquired high-speed vehicles, working in conjunction with our CCTV network and other safety mechanisms to fight crime. These efforts will ease pressure on SAPS by ensuring that this safety task unit responds swiftly to high-priority incidents such as armed robberies, domestic violence, and public disturbances, especially in areas where SAPS resources are stretched.



OPENING OF SICELO CLINIC

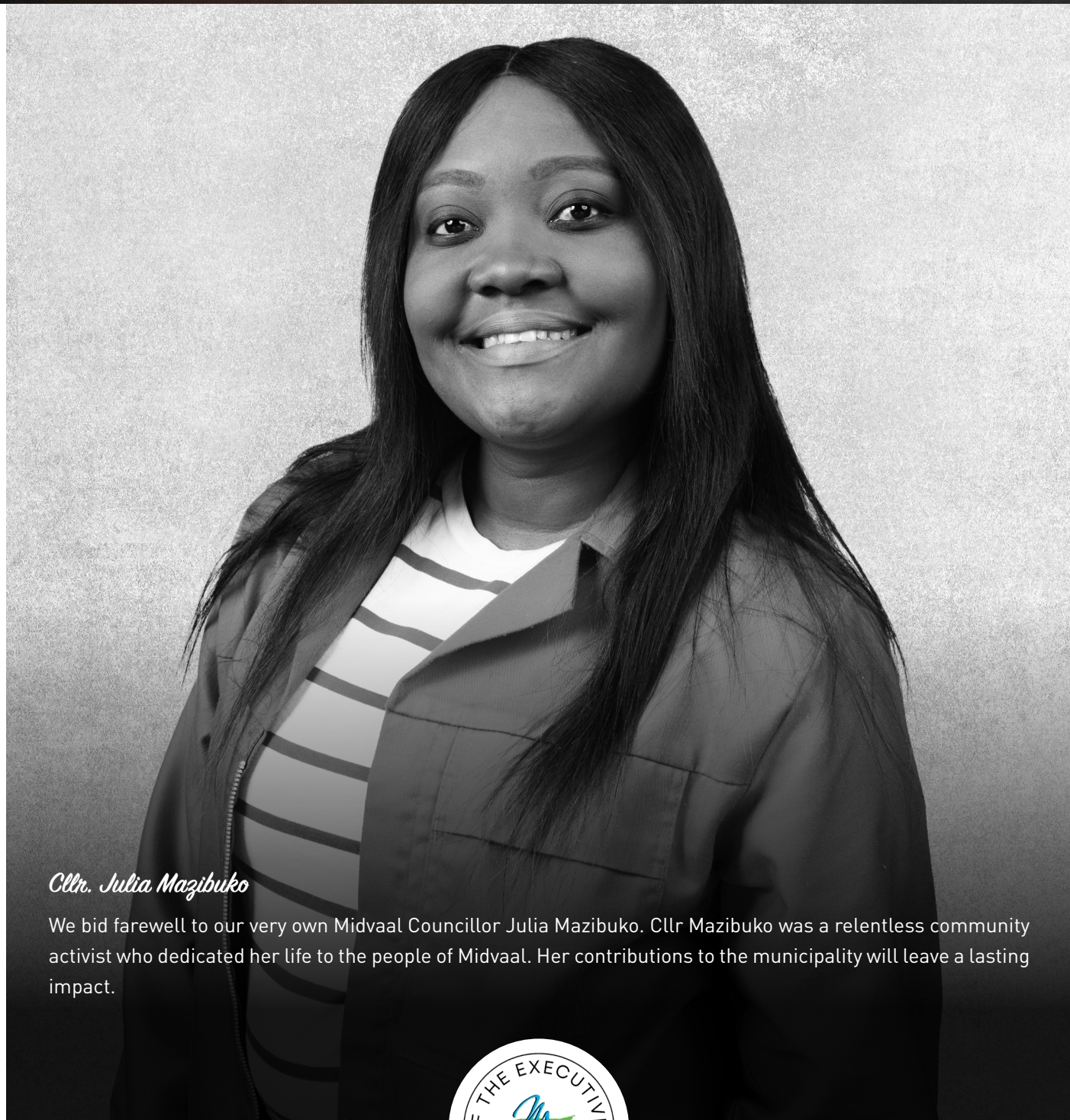


Together with MEC for Health and Wellness, Ms. Nomantu Nkomo-Ralehoko, we officially opened the Sicelo Clinic—bringing quality healthcare services closer to our people. This facility will help ease the pressure on Meyerton, Kookrus, and Randvaal Clinics, ensuring better access to care. With South32 as the main driver of this project, it was only fitting that Midvaal Municipality allocate land for this much-needed clinic, demonstrating our commitment to improving healthcare infrastructure. A huge thank you to South 32, the Department of Health South Africa, and all our partners for showing what's possible when the public and private sectors join forces.





In Memoriam



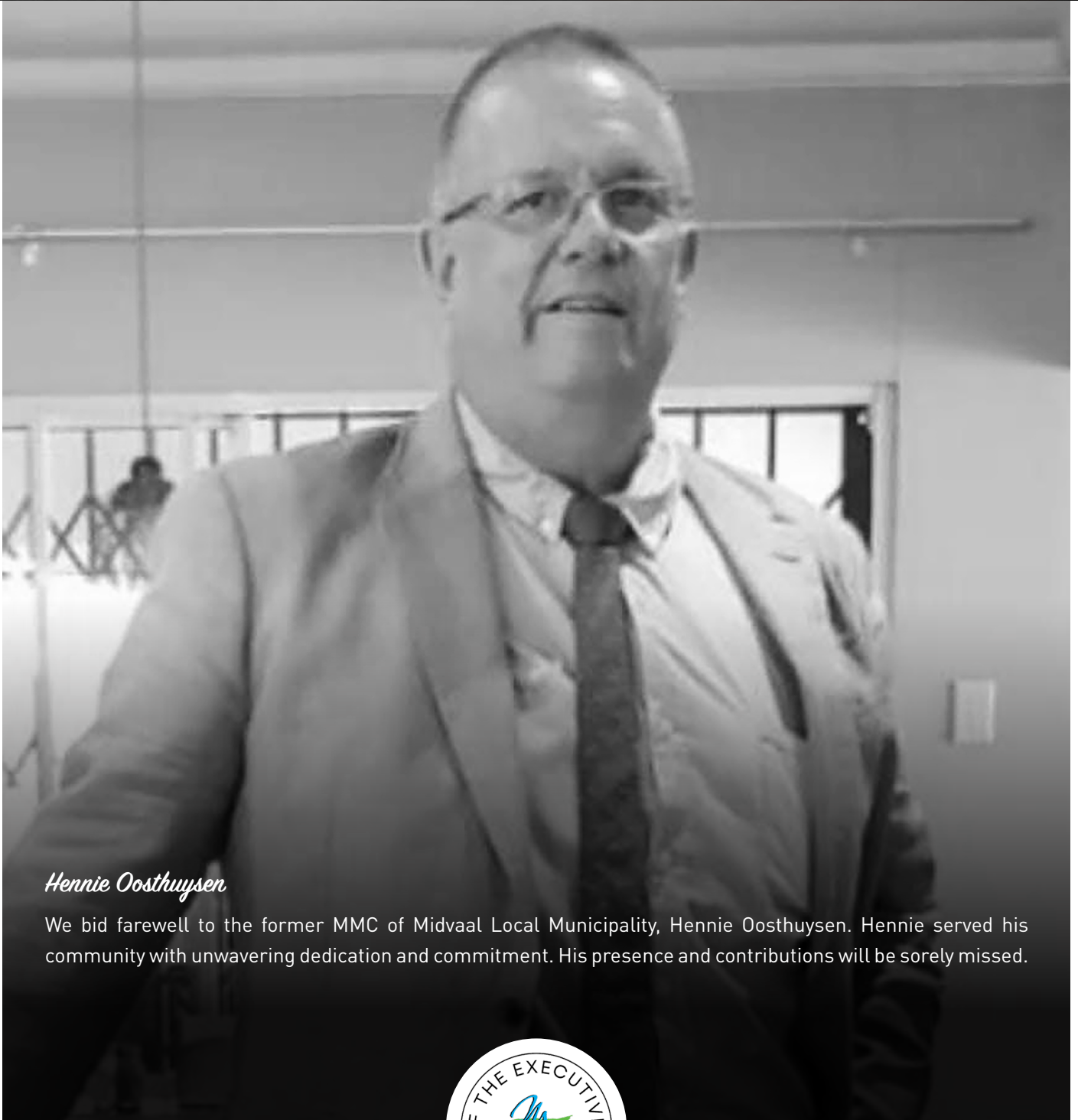
Cllr. Julia Mazibuko

We bid farewell to our very own Midvaal Councillor Julia Mazibuko. Cllr Mazibuko was a relentless community activist who dedicated her life to the people of Midvaal. Her contributions to the municipality will leave a lasting impact.





In Memoriam



Hennie Oosthuysen

We bid farewell to the former MMC of Midvaal Local Municipality, Hennie Oosthuysen. Hennie served his community with unwavering dedication and commitment. His presence and contributions will be sorely missed.





Places to Visit

Oceanic Six Divers



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